



21 September 2012

Faculty Members
Faculty of Humanities
University

Dear Colleagues,

I herewith wish to confirm the decision taken at our meeting of 20 September 2012 to submit a proposal to the University to convert the Faculty's Capital Cities Project into an institutional research theme (IRT). Attached, please find a list of the research initiatives submitted by various colleagues from our faculty as well as the Faculties of Engineering, the Built Environment and Information Technology, Theology and Natural and Agricultural Sciences for inclusion in the Capital Cities Project. As you will note, this list is already quite extensive. However, we will of course welcome the submission of any further proposed and existing research initiatives for inclusion in the project. These submissions can be forwarded to Corena Garnas who is organising a workshop aimed, in part, at developing the proposal to establish the Capital Cities Project as an IRT. Details of this workshop will be circulated within the next week.

I herewith also confirm the decision taken at the meeting of 20 September 2012 to develop the following research initiatives into Faculty research themes (FRTs):

- A combination of ***Peace and conflict*** and ***Change***
- A combination of ***Human Economy*** and ***Spatial Studies***

We will schedule a meeting to discuss the establishment of these initiatives as FRTs. Details of this meeting will also be forwarded to you within the next week. At this meeting, we could of course also discuss additional FRTs, should any be proposed.

Sincerely,

Norman Duncan