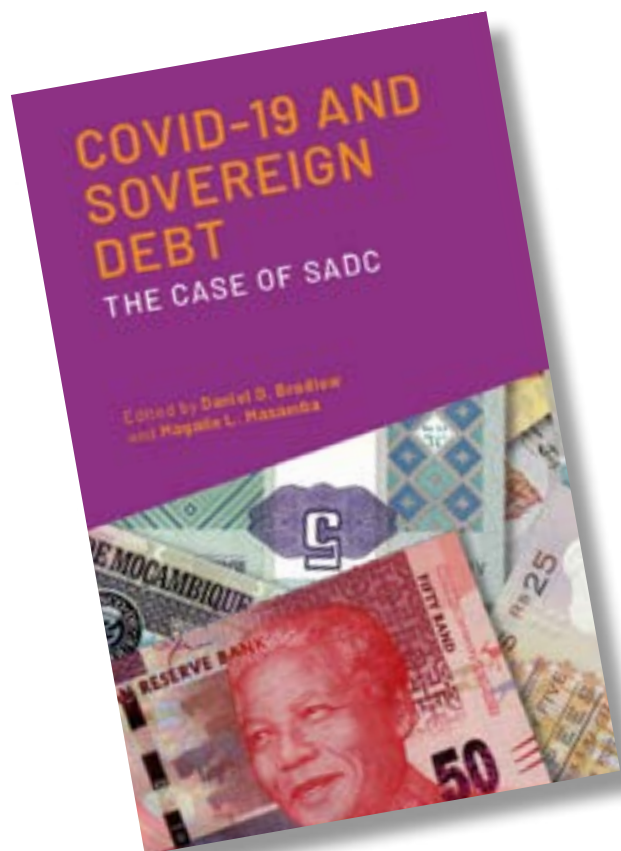


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The Pretoria University Law Press (PULP) in partnership with African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD) and Afronomicslaw invites you to the virtual book launch of **COVID-19 and Sovereign Debt**, edited by Daniel D. Bradlow and Magalie L. Masamba (2022)

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## EVENT DETAILS

**Thursday 12 May 2022**

**16:00 – 18:00 (SAST/ CET)**

**Online (Zoom)**

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This multi-disciplinary publication focuses on the issue of African sovereign debt management and renegotiation/ restructuring, with a particular concentration on the countries that are members of the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC).

It contains a series of essays that were initially presented in several workshops held at the height of the pandemic, in 2020.

These essays seek to both understand the debt challenges facing these countries and to offer some policy-oriented suggestions on how they can more effectively address these. They include contributions by global and regional scholars who are seasoned experts and newer researchers and discuss the complexities on debt management and restructuring within the context of the global COVID-19 pandemic. In particular, this presented an opportunity for junior researchers from the region to contribute to international discussions on a topic in which the views of young Africans are not heard as often or as clearly as they should be, especially given the importance of the topic to Africa and its future. Further, this book is expected to stimulate debate among academics, activists, policy makers and practitioners on how SADC should manage its debt.

The event will be live streamed on social media and the recording will be available on YouTube. A podcast of the launch will be available after the event. A post-launch release sharing the highlights of the event.

## EVENT PROGRAMME

### WELCOME BY PROGRAMME CHAIR:

Prof Daniel Bradlow  
*SARChI Professor of International Development Law and African Economic Relations*

### OPENING REMARKS

Dean Elsabe Schoeman  
*Dean: Faculty of Law*

### OVERVIEW OF COVID-19 AND SOVEREIGN DEBT: THE CASE OF SADC

Dr Magalie Masamba  
*Postdoctoral Researcher at University of Pretoria*

### PRESENTATIONS BY CONTRIBUTORS: SELECTED CASE STUDIES

Louis Koen  
*University of Johannesburg*  
*The renegotiation of sovereign debt tainted by corruption: Mozambique's 'secret' debt in perspective*

Farai Mutondoro, Anna-Sophie Hobi, Mutuso Dhlwayo and Josephine Chiname  
*Africa Institute for Environmental Law*  
*Resource-backed loans, COVID-19 and the high risk of debt trap: A case study of Zimbabwe*

Prof Dunia P Zongwe  
*Associate Professor (International Faculty), Alliance School of Law, India*  
*Steeling for the next pandemic through fiscal responsibility: The Bank of Namibia as fiscal council*

### COMMENTATORS

Jason R Braganza  
*Executive Director of African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)*

Eurallyah Akinyi  
*PhD Candidate, Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University*

### Q&A SESSION

### CONCLUDING REMARKS

Frans Viljoen  
*Director of Centre of Human Rights*

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## CHAPTERS IN THE BOOK

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*Daniel D Bradlow and Magalie L Masamba*

International assistance in catastrophes need not bankrupt countries

*Barry Herman*

Debt service suspension in Southern African Development Community countries

*Martin Kessler*

The International Monetary Fund and debt surveillance in SADC countries

*Martin S Edwards*

Sovereign debt via the lens of asset management: Implications for SADC countries

*Kevin Gallagher and Yan Wang*

Assessing the legal options of managing and restructuring sovereign debt in the SADC region in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic

*Murikuki Muriungi*

Sovereign debts under the SADC Model Bilateral Investment Treaty (SADC Model BIT)

*Roselian Jackson*

Sovereign debt restructuring and human rights: Overcoming a false binary

*Magalie L Masamba*

Adopting proactive debt management policy strategies to forestall a debt crisis in South Africa

*Marie-Louise F Aren*

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Towards utilisation of domestic resources in settling Zimbabwe's sovereign debt

*Jimcall Pfumorodze*

Building back better post-COVID 19: Lessons learnt and the future of sovereign debt management and restructuring in SADC

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