

UCT COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2024 – CONVOCAATION NOMINEE



EDWARD MALOKA

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STATEMENT OF INTENT

I am honoured to express my intention to serve on the University of Cape Town Council.

UCT remains the best university in Africa and has consistently proven its excellence as an academic institution. I am proud to be a product of this institution, not to mention the impact it continues to have in South Africa and globally.

Having spent the last eight years of my career at the helm of an African Union organ mandated to promote good governance on the continent, I am acutely aware of the importance of good governance to build and sustain strong institutions. I am committed to using this experience to build and advance an even stronger legacy for UCT as an institution built upon a strong strategic pillar of good governance.

Furthermore, as an experienced expert and practitioner on foreign policy, I will add my voice, global network, and expertise to the efforts of UCT to position itself as a thought leader on African Affairs. I also aim to support UCT's growing ability to partner and collaborate with other leading global institutions on groundbreaking research with impact on communities and our continent.

Edward Maloka
Occupation: Diplomat
Qualification: PhD (UCT)

BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE

Prof Edward Maloka may be a diplomat by occupation, an academic by training, an experienced expert on foreign policy and a dedicated senior public servant, but he is so much more than his impressive career achievements. A published author, poet, and winner of literary awards, Maloka has built an enviable continent-wide network of advocates, including national governments and international organisations, making him a respected champion of Africa and its prosperity. He is currently the Chief Executive Officer of the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM), a position he has occupied since 2016. The APRM is an organ of the African Union responsible for promoting good and democratic governance on the African continent.

During an illustrious career spanning over 30 years, he has served in various senior positions in the South African government, including as Special Advisor to the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation; South Africa's Special Representative to the Great Lakes Region; and Special Advisor to the Deputy President of the Republic of South Africa.

He remains active in the academia on an associate and fellowship basis. Currently, he is a Visiting Professor at the School of Governance of the University of the Witwatersrand (WITS). Between 2018–2021, he was the President of the Convocation of University of Cape Town. He also served on two professional academic bodies – as the President of the African Association of Political Science (AAPS) between 2005–2007; and the President of the South African Association of Political Studies (SAAPS) during 2002–2004.

Before he joined the government sector in 1998, Maloka worked as a lecturer at the University of Cape Town and the University of the Western Cape. He was also awarded three academic fellowships at different points in the 1990s – a Visiting Research (Postdoctoral) Fellow, at Princeton University, New Jersey (USA); Visiting Research Associate, at Brown University, Rhode Island (USA); and the Ernest Oppenheimer Fellow at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London (UK).

His published works include the poetry anthology *Nuremberg Witness* (1996) and more recently “When Foreign Becomes Domestic: The Interplay of National Interests, Pan-Africanism and Internationalism in South Africa’s Foreign Policy” (2019).