Corruption remains a major challenge to democracy in South Africa. The Covid-19 pandemic has seen an escalation of media reports on corruption, particularly the rampant looting of public resources - mainly relief funds targeted towards the fights against the corona virus - by the political and business elite.

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Date: Friday, 21 August 2020 • Time: 12h00 - 14h00

Speakers:

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