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The South African local government elections held on 4 November 2026 resulted in an increase in the number of municipal councils requiring multi-party coalition governments. The results of the 2026 election have also had a significant effect on the standing of the African National Congress (ANC). This was especially notable in key metropolitan areas – in the Western Cape it was overwhelmed by the Democratic Alliance (DA), in Gauteng the DA made significant strides in its electoral support placing it on par with the ANC and in KwaZulu-Natal the ANC lagged significantly behind the uMkhonto weSizwe Party (MKP).

Join us as we engage with Dr Lubna Nadvi to unpack the election outcomes and implications for local governance in South Africa.



Seminar: Unpacking the 2026 SA Local Government Elections

Speaker: Dr Lubna Nadvi, Political Science – University of KwaZulu-Natal

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Speaker Bio

Dr Lubna Nadvi is an academic based in Political Sciences – School of Social Sciences, University of KwaZulu-Natal. Dr Nadvi is a well-known political analyst and commentator. She is also an activist who has played a key role in establishing and coordinating several regional and national solidarity networks in South Africa. These include: the KZN Solidarity Forum and the South Africa Palestine Movement. She also currently serves as Secretary of the SA Boycott Divest and Sanction (BDS) coalition movement.