

Library, Documentation, Image & Sound

Books and brochures

From the libraries of the Working Group Kairos and the Netherlands institute for Southern Africa (NiZA) more than 3.000 books and brochures were transferred to the IISH. Most of these have been included in the [IISH-catalogue](#) and can be found by searching in the category Books and brochures for "Nederlands instituut voor Zuidelijk Afrika" or "Werkgroep Kairos" (and of course on title, author, etc.). Most of these titles relate to the struggle against apartheid and colonialism in Southern Africa and the international relations with the region in the second half of the 20th century. Approximately one-third of these books deal with South Africa; other major selections relate to Namibia, Zimbabwe and Southern Africa as a whole.

Periodicals

The different organisations contributed some 500 periodicals, often with extensive holdings, from and on Southern Africa to the library of the IISH. They are now all integrated in the IISH holdings and can be found in the [IISH-catalogue](#) by searching in the category 'periodicals' for Nederlands instituut voor Zuidelijk Afrika or Werkgroep Kairos (or on their title).

Documentation

From the Library, Information and Documentation Centre (BIDOC) of NiZA some 50 meters of documents and another 15 meters of press cuttings from the 1970s to 1990s were transferred to the IISH. In 2017 these documents were processed into the [Documentation Collection Anti-Apartheid and Southern Africa \(1970-1998\) \(link is external\)](#). They consist of press cuttings, articles, brochures, reports a.o. documents on (the liberation struggles in) Southern Africa and the international campaign against Apartheid in South Africa in the second half of the 20th century, from the documentation collection of the former Dutch AAM, with additional documents of some other former Anti-Apartheid and Southern Africa solidarity groups in The Netherlands.

Subjects: labour/trade unions, education, women, repression and resistance against apartheid in South Africa; (the liberation struggles in) Namibia, Angola, Mozambique, Zimbabwe a.o. countries in Southern Africa; the international boycott/sanctions campaign against apartheid South Africa, international and Dutch political relations with South(ern) Africa; health, churches, sports, culture and militarization in South Africa as well as the political and social-economic situation in South Africa's urban and rural areas and the country in general; history of (the struggle against apartheid in) South Africa and the relations with The Netherlands; biographical dossiers on Dutch, South African a.o. activists in the struggle against apartheid and colonialism in Southern Africa. Finally, the press cuttings consist of three chronologically arranged series – mainly from the Dutch press between 1970 and 2000 – on and relating to resp. South Africa, Namibia/Angola and Zimbabwe/Mozambique. These can only be consulted through the archivist [Kier Schuringa \(link sends e-mail\)](#).

Photo Collections Dutch AAM, Holland Committee on Southern Africa, Mondlane Foundation and Kairos

The photo collections of these organisations were, together with a large number later collected photographs by NiZA, transferred to the IISH – in total more than 20.000 photographs. Approx. 1.000 of these were individually processed into the [IISH catalogue](#); search in Visual documents for photo and niza or Kairos. The remaining photographs were initially made available through four lists, but in 2016 partly re-arranged, more comprehensively described and processed into five IISH-collections and in 2017 augmented by some 2.800 photo's from Angola, Mozambique, Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde:

- [Anti-Apartheids Beweging Nederland Photo Collection 1899-2004 \(link is external\)](#)
(5.910 photographs on South(ern) Africa from the collection of the Dutch Anti-Apartheid Movement and NiZA from the 1950s up till 2004, of which some 950 have been scanned and made visible online)
- [Komitee Zuidelijk Afrika/Mondlane Stichting Photo Collection 1900-2000 \(link is external\)](#)
(7.980 photographs on Southern Africa, mostly taken between 1970 and 1997, from the collections of the Angola Committee, Holland Committee on Southern Africa and Eduardo Mondlane Foundation, of which almost 200 have been scanned and made visible online)
- [Fotocollectie AABN/KZA/EMS Nederland 1963-1997 \(link is external\)](#)
(3.310 photographs from the collections of the Dutch AAM, Holland Committee on Southern Africa and Mondlane Foundation on Anti-Apartheid and Southern Africa solidarity activities in esp. The Netherlands in the years 1963-1997, of which more than 150 have been scanned and made visible online)
- [Werkgroep Kairos Photo Collection 1952-1996 \(link is external\)](#)
(2.726 photographs on especially South Africa and Namibia, mostly taken between 1979 and 1994)
- [Fotocollectie Werkgroep Kairos 1979-1998 \(link is external\)](#)
(363 photographs of the activities of the Werkgroep Kairos in in The Netherlands and internationally in relation to Shell and many other issues in de years 1979-1998)

Also some other collections of the IISH include photographs on Anti-Apartheid and Southern Africa. First of all the [Photo collection Frits Eisenloeffel \(link is external\)](#) which includes a large number of his photographs (negatives and slides) of his travels to Portugal, Angola, Mozambique, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Namibia and Rhodesia (Zimbabwe) between 1974 and 1981. A selection of some 2500 of his photographs have been brought together in the [Frits Eisenloeffel Digital Photo Collection \(link is external\)](#).

Two photo collections of former Dutch daily newspapers at the IISH also hold a lot of photographs from Southern Africa and on Dutch Anti-Apartheid and solidarity actions: the photo archives of [De Waarheid \(link is external\)](#) (newspaper of the Dutch Communist Party; inventory in Dutch only) have 235 photographs from various countries in Southern Africa and 160 photos of Southern Africa related actions in The Netherlands between 1975 and 1990. The photo collection of [Het Vrije Volk \(link is external\)](#) (social-democratic newspaper; inventory in Dutch only) even holds more than 560 photographs from Angola, Zimbabwe and South Africa and some 200 Southern Africa campaigning photo's from 1960 to 1990.

The IISH also has two digital photo collections of Dutch photographer Ernst Schade: one on [Mozambique \(link is external\)](#) with 122 photographs from the years 1983-1998 and another one with more recent photographs from [Guinea-Bissau \(link is external\)](#). Finally, recently the [Pieter Boersma Photo Collection Southern and Eastern Africa \(link is external\)](#) became available with more than 750 photographs from esp. South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Mozambique, Kenya and Tanzania he made there between 1992 and 2005 (89 of which are visible with the online inventory of this collection).

Slide-collections NiZA and Kairos

Over 6000 slides from the collections of NiZA and Kairos were transferred to the IISH: several dozens of slide series (mostly with accompanying text- and soundmaterial) and the slide-archives of the Dutch AAM and Mondlane Foundation. They can be found in the [IISH-catalogue](#); search in Visual materials for slide and resp. niza or kairos.

Posters

In 2008 the IISH holdings already included a large number of posters from and on Southern Africa, which came largely from the Dutch AAM, Holland Committee on Southern Africa, Kairos, etc. After checking for spares, another 1100 posters were transferred from NiZA to the IISH, processed in the catalogue and almost all of them scanned. They can be found in the [IISH-catalogue](#); search in Visual documents for poster niza.

Over 700 of these posters originate from Southern Africa - mainly South Africa (470), including the posters produced by the ANC c.s. outside South Africa because the organisations were banned in South Africa (1970s and 1980s). Yet, also Angola (100) and Mozambique (70) feature well; some 200 of these posters were produced in The Netherlands.

With this addition, the total number of posters at the IISH from or dealing with Southern Africa now ranges around 3000 - the biggest part of these scanned as well.

Dutch anti-apartheid and Southern Africa posters

From this collection two selections have been made with posters (co-)produced by the anti-apartheid and Southern Africa solidarity groups which merged into NiZA in 1997. These lists present - in chronological order and with the call number in the IISH collection - all the posters produced respectively by the [South Africa Committee/Dutch Anti-Apartheid Movement/Broadcasting for Radio Freedom](#) (almost 150) and [Angola Committee/Holland Committee on Southern Africa/Eduardo Mondlane Foundation](#) (some 200) - both lists in Dutch only. See also the selection of posters on anti-apartheid on the [IISG Flickr pages \(link is external\)](#).

Other visual items

Moreover, from the NiZA collection a large number of other visual items were added to the visual documents on Southern Africa already available at the IISH: exhibitions, drawings (for instance cartoons on censorship in South Africa), hundreds of textile items like banners, flags, bags and t-shirts, buttons (200), stickers and postcards (almost 400), etc. These can all be found in the [IISH-catalogue](#); search in Visual documents for 'actie Zuid-Afrika' (or Angola, Namibia, etc.) for items from The Netherlands or 'campaign on South Africa' etc. for items from other countries, combined with textile, button, drawing, postcard, etc.

Music and Sound

Approx. 250 gramophone records and audio cassettes with (struggle) music, freedom songs, radio programmes and recordings of anti-apartheid and solidarity events throughout the years, which can be found in the [IISH-catalogue](#); search in Music and sound for audio-cassette or gramophone record and niza or kairos.

Video's

NiZA transferred in 2003 and 2008 almost 1100 video's (with over 1500 video-items) to the IISH: features films, documentaries, documentaries, news items and other recorded television broadcasts, largely produced between 1973 and 2007. These video's were initially made available through two lists, but in 2016 combined into one IISH-collection: [Anti-Apartheid and Southern Africa Video Collection 1960-2007 \(link is external\)](#)

Over 1550 video's and video-items on South(ern) Africa, other African countries and Africa in general from the collections of the Dutch AAM, Holland Committee on Southern Africa, Mondlane Foundation and NiZA; a significant part of these deal with the struggle against apartheid and the international solidarity campaign with the struggles for liberation in Southern Africa.

The 85 video's from the Kairos collection were individually processed and can be found in the [IISH-catalogue](#); search in Visual documents for video kairos.