

# DBEM Seminar Talk

Tuesday 12 March

14:00-15:00

Sala Riunioni PRC 2 (6202) (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)



## Speaker

**Norman Owen-Smith is Professor at the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa.**

## Title

**Movement Ecology of African Ungulates.**



## Speaker's background

His special interests lie in the ecology of large mammalian herbivores, their interactions with vegetation, applications of optimal foraging theory to consumer-resource interactions and population dynamics, with special reference to African savanna ecosystems. He has produced three books, including *Megaherbivores* (Cambridge 1988), and *Adaptive Herbivore Ecology* (Cambridge 2002). He leads the African Ecology and Conservation Biology Research Group, or "Centre for African Ecology". Recently, he has promoted the 'Afrimove' project, based on data sharing of African ungulates movement data and collaborative science. His numerous awards include the Gold Medal of the Southern African Association for the Advancement of Science, the Gold Medal of the Zoological Society of Southern Africa, the Harry Oppenheimer Fellowship, and a Fellowship of the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study. He is also an Honorary Life Member of the Ecological Society of America.