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Lebohang Liepollo Pheko's areas of research specialisation include international trade and international economics in the context of South/North relations, political economy, regional integration of Afrikan states, feminist economics, international development, international relations in relation to Afrikan positionalities, migration and globalisation, citizenship and identity. Pheko's work is grounded in a race, class and feminist analysis and she is committed to grounding academic research in community struggles & praxis. She has taught at universities as visiting faculty across South Africa (UNISA, UJ, UP, NWU), Sweden, the UK, Zambia, Mexico and the United States.

In recent years she has substantially contributed to framing policy alternatives that centre African countries in post covid economic recovery through various. She is also a member of the Walter and Patricia Rodney Commission on Reparations and is the leading South African chapter on the political economy of reparations. Furthermore, Pheko is currently reassessing Wellbeing Economics, the interaction of Feminist Economics with decoloniality and decolonial economic theories and situating them in a historical frame that encompasses coloniality and reparations to the Majority World.

Liepollo is the Senior Research Fellow at feminist activist and advocacy think tank Trade Collective, has taught International Trade, Afrikan Feminist Theory, International Development, Political Economy, Political theory and Race and Decolonial studies across the world. She is also a Lancet Commissioner on Reparations, an ambassador of the Well Being Economy Global Alliance, an African Futures Fellow and a committed member of South Feminist Futures. Liepollo takes guidance and inspiration from the herstories of the women who have and continue to resist all forms of imperialism. She is deeply committed to excavating memory and decolonised history/herstory that rebel against official narratives.