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Sommario/riassunto	Language in South Africa (LiSA) debates the role of language and language planning in the reconstruction, development and transformation of post-apartheid democratic South Africa. The 1996 constitution of South Africa is founded on the political philosophy of pluralism and is directed at promoting democratic values, equity and non-discrimination, human rights, national unity and the development of all the country's communities. The question asked in LiSA is how

language planning can contribute towards the attainment of these national ideals. Set against the language political realities of the country - the a-symmetric power relations between the languages; the striking differences in the structural; functional and symbolic adaptation of the official languages; and the many language-related problems in the country - it debates the role of language in state administration, national integration, educational development and economic development. The volume concludes with a discussion of language development and language management.

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