

# PROGRAMME **Advanced Human Rights Courses** (AHRC)

### Police Oversight and Vulnerable Groups

Venue: Future Africa and Zoom (Online)

All times are SAST / CET

7 – 11 September 2020









### Day 1

### Monday 7 September 2020

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#### Time | Activity

09:00 - 09:30

Welcome; course logistics; opening, course objectives. introduction of participants; introduction to Moot Court

Mr Dennis Antwi

Project Manager, Centre for Human Rights, UP

Prof Frans Viljoen

Director, Centre for Human Rights, UP

Mr Sean Tait

Director, African Policing Civilian Oversight Forum (APCOF)

Mr Berry Nibogora LLM HRDA Alumni

Head of Programmes, African Men for Sexual Health and

Rights (AMSHeR)

09:30 - 10:15

### Human rights and policing Global and regional standards and soft law documents

- o Non-discrimination
- o The right to dignity and freedom from torture and ill-treatment
- o The right to life and the use of force
- o Arrest and Detention
- o Investigations/Accountability
- o Treatment of victims and witnesses

Ms Louise Edwards

Programme Manager, APCOF.









10:15 – 11:00

Human rights and public health: complementarity and challenges in the policing context

Mr Berry Nibogora LLM HRDA Alumni Head of Programmes, AMSHeR.

11:00 – 11:30

Tea break

11:30 – 12:30

#### Policing key populations

- The scope of criminalisation & consequences on dignity, access to services, stigma and discrimination.
- Protection despite criminalisation: what does it mean during policing?
- o Policing sexuality and privacy rights: where do we struck the balance?
- o Achieving the rights of key and vulnerable groups through a public health approach

Berry Nibogora LLM HRDA Alumni Head of Programmes, AMSHeR

12:30-13:30

Policing vulnerabilities: from theory to practice

Mr Pieter Cronje Former police officer and Attorney

13:30-14:30

Lunch break

14:30-15:30

#### Dignity and diversity of key population

- o Policing Sexuality and Gender
- Unpacking gender and binaries in patriarchal settings.
- Law enforcement working with Key Populations:
   LGBTI SO&GIE as a ground of violations: what forms does violence take and what are state/police obligations?









 Sex Work: Choice of work as a ground of criminalisation & violations?

Mr Munyaradzi Gatumba CoC Netherlands – CSO perspectives

15:30- 16:30 Take Home exercise

Mr Berry Nibogora LLM HRDA Alumni Head of Programmes, AMSHeR

End of Day 1

### Day 2

### Tuesday 8 September 2020

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#### Time | Activity

09:00 - 11:00

#### Policing and discrimination, a global perspective

- What forms can discrimination take in the context of policing?
- How does the persistence of discrimination undermine the exercise of law enforcement powers?
- How do law enforcement agencies overcome legacies of past discrimination?

Dr Mutuma Ruteree

Director, Centre for Human Rights & Policy Studies. (Former UN Special Rapporteur on racism and xenophobia).

11:00-12:00 Tea break









12:00 – 13:30

#### Detention-related issues

o Practical session with case-study assignments based on the Luanda Guidelines.

Ms Louise Edwards *Programme Manager, APCOF.* 

13:30 – 13:30

Lunch break

14:30 – 16:30

Human rights-based approaches to vulnerability Developments in protecting vulnerable groups:

- o Case of Resolution 275 SOGI -
- General comments & Study Report by special mechanisms of the ACHPR
- o Africa Disability Protocol
- o Appointments of a UNSR, early work etc.
- o Decriminalisation of poverty and petty offenses

Mr Ayodele Sogunro

Project Manager: SOGIESC Unit, CHR

End of Day 2

### Day 3

### Wednesday 9 September 2020

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#### Time | Activity

09:30 - 11:00

Effective and sensitive approaches to domestic and gender -based violence

Ms Patience Mungwari Mpani









Manager, Women's Right Unit, CHR

Ms Welekazi Stofile,

Executive Director, Tshwaranang Legal Advocacy Centre

11:00- 12:00 Tea break

12:00 – 13:30 Practical exercise

Class presentations

Mr Berry Nibogora *LLM HRDA Alumni Head of Programmes, AMSHeR* 

13:30 – 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 – 15:30 Drug use

 Recreation as a ground of criminalisation: the war against drugs versus possession of drugs for personal use.

o Harm reduction

Ms Maria-Goretti Loglo

Consultant, International Drug Policy Consortium (IDPC)

15:30 – 16:30 Disability

- o Inclusive policing for persons with disability what can be done better
- What can be the particular threats faced against which the police should protect, or obstacles that need to be overcome in terms of access to justice?

Mr Dagnachew Wakene

Doctoral student, Freedom from Violence programme, Institute for International and Comparative Law in Africa (ICLA)

End of Day 3









### Day 4

## Thursday 10 September 2020 All times are SAST / CET

Time	Activity
09:00 – 11:00	The role for internal and external oversight mechanisms  o An introduction to the theories of internal and external oversight  o Group-based exercises (followed by report-back)
	Mr Sean Tait Director, APCOF
11:00 – 12:00	Tea break
12:00 – 13:30	Standards on the use of force by the police and opportunities for accountability  o What are the international standards concerning how the police can use force, including against potentially vulnerable populations?  o What are the implications for the policing of COVID-related restrictions?  o What role can technologies or policing culture play in accountability?  Prof. Stuart Maslen  Honorary Professor, ICLA, UP
	Mr Dumisani Gandhi Doctoral student, Freedom from Violence programme, ICLA
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 16:30	Facilitating peaceful assemblies









- o Facilitating the participation of key populations in assemblies (children, PWDs, women)
- o Protecting assemblies (esp. LGBTI, Pride etc.)

#### Prof Christof Heyns

Member of the UN Human Rights Committee (and rapporteur for the recent General Comment on peaceful assembly) Director, ICLA

Ms Beryl Orao

Doctoral student, Freedom from Violence programme, ICLA

End of Day 4

### Day 5

### Friday 11 September 2020

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Time	Activity
09:30 - 11:00	Claiming rights of vulnerable groups through litigation and legal aid in Southern Africa Ms Anneke Meerkotter Litigation Director, South African Litigation Centre
11:00-11:30	Tea break
11:30 – 13:30	Designing, policing and living in safer communities  o What do we mean by community safety?  o Introduction to the challenges of Policing the Urban Periphery.  o City Improvement Districts and their discontents









Prof. Karina Landman

Department of Town and Regional Planning, UP

Ms Anneke Meerkotter

Litigation Director, South African Litigation Centre

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch break

#### 14:30–15:30 Role for the judiciary and strategic litigation

- The role of the Judiciary in providing remedies to victims of Police violence: Case of sexual and gender minorities
- o Judicial oversight of policing work before and during trials: training the champions

Dr Adrian Jjuuko Executive Director Human Rights Awareness and Promotion Forum (HRAPF).

15:30 – 16:00 Course Evaluations

Dorcas Basimanyane

LLD Candidate

AHRC-Project Coordinator

Centre for Human Rights (CHR), UP

16:00 – 16:30 Conclusion / Wrap up of cross-cutting issues

Mr Dennis Antwi

AHRC -Project Manager, Centre for Human Rights (CHR), UP

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**End of Course** 









#### Advanced Human Rights Courses (AHRC)

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