

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

Women's rights in Africa

Venue: Zoom (Online) All times are SAST / CET

26-30 October 2020







Day 1 Monday 26 October 2020



Theme: Women's rights; introduction and context

Moderator: Patience Mungwari Mpani Project Manager: Women's Rights Unit

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Time	Activity
09:00 – 09:30	Welcome remarks, setting the scene and course logistics, Introduction of participants Prof Frans Viljoen Director, Centre for Human Rights (CHR) University of Pretoria (UP) Dennis Antwi Project Manager, Advanced Human Rights Courses (AHRC) Centre for Human Rights, UP Patience Mungwari Mpani Project Manager, Women's Rights Unit (WRU) Centre for Human Rights, UP
9:30 – 11:00	Overview of the human rights framework Prof Frans Viljoen Director, Centre for Human Rights
11:00 – 11:30	Tea Break
11:30 – 13:30	Women, law, and human rights: An African perspective Prof Fareda Banda School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London







13:30 – 14:30 Lunch Break

14:30 – 16:00 Gender equality and women's rights in the UN system

Karen Stefiszyn

Gender Specialist & Independent Consultant

16:00 – 16:30 Practical Exercise

Introduction to Group Work: Instructions and Guidelines

Susan Mutambasere

Project Coordinator: Women's Rights Unit &LLD Candidate

Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria

End of Day 1

Day 2 Tuesday 27 October 2020



Theme: Women's rights; Regional and International

Human rights law

Moderator: Susan Mutambasere

Project Coordinator: Women's Rights Unit &LLD Candidate

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10:00 - 12:00 The Maputo Protocol and women's rights in Africa

Dr Adetokunbo Johnson Postdoctoral Fellow

University of the Free State







12:00 – 13:00 Overview of the General Comments and Guidelines

issued by the African Commission on the Maputo

Protocol

Dr Satang Nabaneh

Project Manager: Masters programme in Sexual

Reproductive Rights in Africa

Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:30 Impact of terrorism and counter terrorism on

women's rights in Africa

Hon Lucy Asuagbor

Retired Judge of the Supreme Court of Cameroon, Former Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa, African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights

End of Day 2

Day 3 Wednesday 28 October 2020



Theme: Selected thematic women's rights issues

Moderator: Annie Mulamba Bipendu Project Coordinator: Women's Rights Unit

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09:30 – 11:30 The Dilemma of Women's Rights within the Domain of

Cultural Relativism. Finding Common Ground

Dr Zahara Nampewo

School of Law, Makerere University

11:30 – 11:45 Tea Break

11:45 – 13:00 Advancing the sexual rights of older women in Africa

Oluwatomi Okeowo

Women's Rights Specialist

14:00 – 16:00 The place of African women's human rights in SDG 5 on

achieving gender equality

Dr Nkatha Kabira

School of Law, University of Nairobi

Prof Patricia Kameri-Mbote

School of Law, University of Nairobi

16:00 –16:30 Class exercise

#AgeWithRightsCampaign

Lydia Chibwe

Project Assistant: Women's Rights Unit &PhD Candidate

Centre for Human Rights University of Pretoria

End of Day 3

Day 4 Thursday 29 October 2020



Theme: Engaging with policy makers, civil society, and

States on women's rights

Moderator: Lydia Chibwe

Proiect Assistant: Women's Rights Unit &PhD Candidate







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Time	Activity
09:00 – 11:00	The gender responsiveness of the African human rights system: The jurisprudence of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights Dr Mariam Kamunyu Gender Equality Specialist Catholic University of Eastern Africa
11:00 – 11:30	Tea break
11:30 – 13:00	Using human rights principles to realise sexual and reproductive health rights: Legal and advocacy approaches Saoyo Tabitha Griffith PhD Candidate, Cardiff University
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:30	State party reporting & Shadow reporting processes Patience Mungwari Mpani Project manager: Women's Rights Unit Centre for Human Rights University of Pretoria
	End of Day 4







Day 5 Friday 30 October 2020



Theme: Selected Women's rights issues Moderator: Patience Mungwari Mpani *Project Manager: Women's Rights Unit*

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Time	Activity
10:00 – 11:30	Human rights abuses of migrant workers in SADC Region Dr Janet Munakamwe Research Fellow African Centre for Migration and Society
11:30 – 13:00	Women's rights in the digital age Hlengiwe Dube Project Manager: Expression, Information and Digital Rights Unit, Centre for Human Rights University of Pretoria
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:00	Practical exercise: Group Presentations and discussions Susan Mutambasere Project Coordinator: Women's Rights Unit &LLD Candidate Centre for Human Rights University of Pretoria Hlengiwe Dube Project Manager: Expression, Information and Digital Rights Unit, Centre for Human Rights University of Pretoria







15:00 – 15:30 Course Evaluations

Dorcas Basimanyane

Project coordinator: AHRC & LLD Candidate Centre for Human rights, University of Pretoria

15:30 – 16:00 Final remarks: Conclusion / Wrap up of cross-cutting

issues & Certificate ceremony

Dennis Antwi

Project Manager: AHRC

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Patience Mungwari Mpani

Project Manager, WRU

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End of Course







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