



# Advanced Human Rights Courses (AHRC)

## Data Protection in Africa

Venue: Online via Zoom  
All times are SAST

**6 – 10 November 2023**



# Day 1

Monday 6 Nov 2023

Moderator: Dr Dorcas Basimanyane

*Project Coordinator: Advanced Human Rights Courses (AHRC), Centre for Human Rights (CHR), University of Pretoria (UP)*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
<b>09:00 – 09:30</b>	<b>Welcome remarks and course information</b> Dennis Antwi <i>Project Manager, Advanced Human Rights Courses (AHRC) Centre for Human Rights (CHR), University of Pretoria (UP)</i> Lloyd Kuveya <i>Assistant Director, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria</i>
<b>09:30 – 11:00</b>	<b>An introduction to the Advanced Human Rights Course on Data Protection in Africa: Overview and concepts</b> Dr Tomiwa Ilori <i>Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria</i>
<b>11:00 – 11:30</b>	<b>Tea break</b>
<b>11:30 – 13:00</b>	<b>Africa in the global data protection order: A comparative analyses of data protection developments</b> Prof Emeritus Bertil Cottier <i>University of Lausanne</i>
<b>13:00 – 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>

**14:00 – 15:30**

**Major aspects of data protection laws in African countries**

Dr Lukman Abdulrauf

*Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of Ilorin*

## Day 2

Tuesday 7 Nov 2023

Moderator: Shyreen Chirwa

*Academic Tutor/Doctoral Candidate, CHR, UP*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
<b>09:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>The United Nations General Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs) and data protection: A tech company perspective</b> Dr Ololade Shyllon <i>Head of Privacy Policy, Africa, Middle East &amp; Turkey, Meta</i>
<b>10:30 – 12:00</b>	<b>Data protection as a field of practice in Africa: Examining the role of data controllers, data processors and data protection officers under national laws in Africa</b> Mugambi Laibuta <i>Doctoral Candidate, University of Witwatersrand</i>
<b>12:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>
<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>A typology of data protection actors in Africa</b> Dr Andrew Rens <i>Senior Research Fellow, Research ICT Africa (RIA)</i>
<b>14:00 – 15:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>

15:00 – 16:30

**A guide to conducting data protection impact assessments**

Nelson Okeyo

*Doctoral Candidate, University of Bayreuth*

## Day 3

Wednesday 8 Nov 2023

Moderator: Clement Agyemang

*Academic Tutor/Doctoral Candidate, CHR, UP*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
09:00 – 10:30	<b>Developing and implementing data protection frameworks in Africa</b> Gabriella Razzano <i>Executive Director, Open Up</i>
10:30 - 12:00	<b>Gender and data protection in Africa</b> Dr Olayinka Adeniyi <i>Research Fellow, Centre for Intellectual Property and Information Technology Law</i>
12:00 – 12:30	<b>Tea break</b>
12:30 – 14:00	<b>Oversight and data protection in Africa</b> Dr Patricia Boshe <i>Data Protection Trainer, University of Passau</i>
14:00 – 15:00	<b>Lunch break</b>

15:00 – 16:30

**Regional actors and the harmonisation of adequacy requirements for cross-border data flows in Africa**

Dr Fola Adeleke

*Global Atlantic Fellow, London School of Economics (LSE)*

## Day 4

Thursday 9 Nov 2023

Moderator: Ompha Tshamano

*Project Assistant, Expression, Information and Digital Rights Unit, CHR,UP*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
09:00 – 10:30	<b>Designing regulatory sandboxes for data protection in Africa</b> Uyoyo Edosio <i>Principal ICT4D Expert, African Development Bank Group (AfDB)</i>
10:30 – 12:00	<b>Generative Artificial Intelligence and data protection in Africa</b> Dr Angeline Wairegi <i>Research Manager, Centre for Intellectual Property and Information Technology (CIPIT)</i>
12:00 – 12:30	<b>Tea break</b>
12:30 – 14:00	<b>The African Union, regional digital trade and data protection in Africa</b> Dr Talkmore Chidede <i>Digital Trade Expert, African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Secretariat</i>

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**14:00 – 15:00**

**Lunch break**

**15:00 – 16:30**

**Data protection for digital IDs in Africa**

Hilda Barasa

*Senior Policy Advisor, Tony Blair Institute for  
Global Change*

## Day 5

Friday 10 Nov 2023

Moderator: Henok Ashagrey

*Project Officer: Expression, Information and Digital Rights Unit, Academic Tutor/Doctoral  
Candidate, CHR, UP*

**Time**

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**Activity**

**09:00 – 10:30**

**Meaning, features and functions of Data  
Protection Authorities**

Mercy King'ori

*Lead Policy Analyst, Africa, Future of Privacy Forum*

**10:30 – 12:00**

**An African Regulator's perspective on data  
protection**

Dr Vincent Olatunji

*National Commissioner, the Nigeria Data Protection  
Commission*

**12:00 – 12:30**

**Tea break and group photo**

**12:30 – 14:00**

**Access to remedy for data subjects in data  
protection law**

Dr Rogers Alunge

*Data Responsibility Consultant, University of Twente*



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**14:00 – 15:00**

**Lunch break**

**15:00 – 16:30**

**Public participation in data protection law**

Grace Githaiga

*Co-convenor, Kenya ICT Action Network (KICTANET)*

**16:30 – 16:50**

**Recap/Questions and Answers**

Facilitators & Participants

**16:50 – 16:55**

**Course evaluation and certificates**

Dr Dorcas Basimanyane

**16:55 – 17:00**

**Vote of thanks**

Dennis Antwi

**End of the course.**



## About: Expression, Information and Digital Rights (EIDR) Unit



Through research, training and advocacy, the Centre for Human Rights' Expression, Information and Digital Rights Unit advances the promotion and protection of the rights to freedom of expression and access to information on the continent, as guaranteed by article 9 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights. The Unit also promotes human rights in the digital age and supports the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights through the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to Information in Africa.



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

For more information about the Advanced Human Rights Course on

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