



PROGRAMME

Advanced Human Rights Courses (AHRC)

Disability Rights in an African context

*Venue: Graduate Centre 2-67 and Online via zoom
Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria, South Africa*

11– 15 March 2024

Day 1

Monday 11 March 2024

Introduction to and overview of disability rights at global and regional levels



Moderator: Dr Dianah Msipa
*Manager, Disability Rights Unit
Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria*

| Time | Activity |
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| 08:30 – 09:00 | Registration and course logistics Mr Dennis Antwi <i>Project Manager, Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria</i> |
| 09:00 – 09:10 | Welcome address Professor Nkatha Murungi <i>Acting Director, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria</i> |
| 09:10 – 09:20 | Overview and course objectives Dr Dianah Msipa <i>Manager, Disability Rights Unit Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria</i> |
| 09:20 – 10:30 | Appropriate terminology Mr Wilson Macharia <i>Associate Legal Advisor, Africa Regional Programme International Commission of Jurists</i> |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Tea break |
| 10:45 – 11:45 | Introduction to the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and People's Rights on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Africa Mr Dagnachew Wakene <i>Doctoral Candidate, Institute for International and Comparative Law in Africa University of Pretoria</i> |

- 11:45 – 13:00 **Panel Discussion: The African Disability Protocol 6 years on: Challenges and opportunities**
Facilitator
Mr Jorge Manhique
Senior Programme Officer, Disability Rights Fund and Disability Rights Advocacy Fund (DRF/DRAF)
- Panelists**
Mr Dagnachew Wakene
Doctoral Candidate, Institute for International and Comparative Law in Africa
University of Pretoria
Mr Shuaib Chalken
Executive Director, African Disability Forum
- 13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch break and group photo**
- 14:00 – 15:30 **Introduction to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)**
Professor Michael Ashley Stein
Executive Director, Harvard Law School Project on Disability, Harvard University
Extraordinary Professor, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria
- 15:30 – 16:00 **Introduction to group exercises and assignment of participants to teams**
Ms Thandi Mpopo
Intern, Disability Rights Unit
Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria
Ms Sabeeha Majid
Researcher, Disability Rights Unit
Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria
- 16:00** **End of Day 1**

Day 2

Tuesday 12 March 2024

Specific rights in the CRPD and the African Disability Protocol



Moderator: Ms Sabeeha Majid
*Researcher, Disability Rights Unit
Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria*

| Time | Activity |
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| 9:00 – 9:10 | Welcome and recap of first day |
| 9:10 – 10:15 | Access to justice Dr Dianah Msipa <i>Manager, Disability Rights Unit, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria</i> |
| 10:15 – 10:30 | Tea break |
| 10:30 – 11:45 | Education Professor Nkatha Murungi <i>Acting Director, Centre for Human Rights University of Pretoria</i> |
| 11:45 – 13:00 | Living independently and being included in the community Mr. Alberto Vasquez Encalada <i>Senior Advisor, Centre for Inclusive Policy</i> |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch break |
| 14:00 – 15:30 | Legal capacity Professor Robert Dinerstein <i>Professor of Law and Director of the Disability Rights Law Clinic, Washington College of Law American University</i> |
| 15:30 – 16:00 | Breakout session: Group work on assignments |
| 16:00 | End of Day 2 |

Day 3

Wednesday 13 March 2024

Contemporary issues and intersectionalities



Moderator: Ms Sabeeha Majid
*Researcher, Disability Rights Unit
Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria*

| Time | Activity |
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| 9:00 – 9:10 | Welcome and recap of second day |
| 9:10 – 10:30 | Addressing human rights violations against persons with albinism in Africa: How far have we come? Mr Kwame Andrews Daklo <i>Advocacy Manager, Africa Albinism Network</i> |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Tea break |
| 11:00 – 11:45 | Deinstitutionalisation Professor Willene Holness <i>Associate Professor, School of Law, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal</i> |
| 11:45 – 13:00 | Disability and migration Mr Abiy Ashenafi <i>Manager, Migration Unit Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria</i> |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch break |
| 14:00 – 15:30 | Children with disabilities Professor Nkatha Murungi <i>Acting Director, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria</i> |
| 15:30 – 16:00 | Breakout sessions: Group work |
| 16:00 | End of Day 3 |

Day 4

Thursday 14 March 2024

From rhetoric to practice



Moderator: Dr Michelle Maziwisa
*Programme Manager, Centre for Human Rights
University of Pretoria*

| Time | Activity |
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| 9:00 – 9:10 | Welcome and recap of third day |
| 9:10 – 10:30 | Workshop on advocacy for disability rights Facilitator Mrs Robyn Beere <i>Deputy Director, Equal Education Law Centre</i> |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Personal reflections from a self-advocate Ms Palesa DeeJay Manaleng <i>Primedia Journalist</i> |
| 10:45 – 11:00 | Tea break |
| 11:00 – 13:00 | Workshop on strategic litigation Facilitator Ms Annabel Raw <i>Advocate, Johannesburg Society of Advocates (Thulamela Chambers)</i> |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch break |
| 14:00 – 15:30 | Workshop on technology and disability rights Facilitator Mr Paul Kimumwe <i>Senior Programme Officer, CIPESA</i> |
| 15:30 – 16:00 | Breakout sessions: Group work |
| 16:00 | End of Day 4 |

Day 5

Friday 15 March 2024

Application of knowledge received



Moderator: Rotondwa Mashige
*Programme Coordinator, Centre for Human Rights
University of Pretoria*

| Time | Activity |
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| 9:00 – 11:00 | Presentations of the Group Exercise |
| 11:00 – 11:15 | Tea break |
| 11:15 – 11:30 | General feedback on presentations |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | Course evaluation <i>Ms Thandi Mpopo Intern, Disability Rights Unit, Centre for Human Rights University of Pretoria</i> |
| 12:00 – 12:30 | Certificates and closing remarks Mr Dennis Antwi <i>Project Manager, AHRC, Centre for Human Rights</i> Mr Lloyd Kuveya <i>Assistant Director, Centre for Human Rights</i> |
| 12:30 | End of programme |