



WEBINAR INVITATION

Enforcement of rights of Persons with Albinism: Analysing the African Court's landmark judgment in Application No. 019/2018 Centre for Human Rights & Others v. The United Republic of Tanzania

EVENT DETAILS

Thursday, 5 June 2025
14:00 - 15:30 SAST
Hybrid

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The Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria, invites you to a hybrid discussion happening on 5 June 2025 on the landmark judgment of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights in *Application No. 019/2018 Centre for Human Rights & Others v. The United Republic of Tanzania* which reaffirmed the rights of persons with albinism. The application was filed as part of the Centre's response to the plight of persons with albinism in the United Republic of Tanzania, and in particular challenged the State's failure to protect persons with albinism from widespread discrimination, persecution and humiliation that have occurred since time immemorial. The application was based on evidence and reports revealing that persons with albinism in Tanzania suffered difficulties in accessing essential social services, were subjected to sexual violence, abductions, body mutilation and killings, all rooted in harmful cultural beliefs and practices. These harmful cultural beliefs and practices include the characterisation of children with albinism as a curse, the mythical belief that sleeping with women with albinism would magically cure HIV and AIDS, and believing that using the body parts of persons with albinism would bring wealth, luck and success in business and politics.

The discussion is part of a series engaging on key decisions issued by African human rights bodies (AHRBs), with a view to increasing awareness and understanding among relevant stakeholders about latest and high impact jurisprudence as well as progress with and challenges relating to implementation of the measures issued therein.

Discussion points

- **Background on the case and human rights context:** Persecution of people with albinism in Tanzania
- **Legal Implications:** Alignment with the African Charter, CRPD, and regional accountability mechanisms.
- **Role of different stakeholders in enforcement of the decision:** Governments, NGOs, media, and international bodies in enforcement and advocacy.



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