

Invitation **Annual Disability Rights in Africa Conference 2025**

The African Disability Protocol: Promise and Challenges

4-5 November 2025





The Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria, is convening the 13th Annual Disability Rights in Africa Conference from 4 - 5 November 2025, which will take place in a hybrid format in Johannesburg, South Africa (venue TBC) and **online via Zoom**. The theme for this year's conference is "The African Disability Protocol: Promise and challenges". The aim of the Conference is two-fold:

- 1. to critically engage with the substantive content of the Protocol to the African **Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights** on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Africa (African Disability Protocol); and
- 2. to interrogate strategies for its successful implementation, to bring about the desired social change.

It is anticipated that papers presented at this Conference will be reworked by the authors and submitted for consideration for publication in the 2026 volume of the African Disability Rights Yearbook (ADRY):

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The annual disability conference is a flagship platform for convening dialogue among key stakeholders on disability rights and to spotlight pertinent and emerging disability rights concerns in the African region. **For more information on previous editions of the annual Conference**

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Please note that participants who wish to attend the conference in-person will be required to cover their own costs (flight, accommodation, transport, and other related costs). The Centre will only cover conferencing costs. Those who wish to attend the conference virtually are requested to complete the zoom registration form, after which the zoom link will be e-mailed directly to their e-mail addresses.

Please note the following:

- Presenters will be communicated with individually regarding logistical arrangements. Presenters joining virtually will also be communicated with individually.
- Participants wishing to attend physically/in-person (at their own cost), are requested to email Ms Thandi Mpopo (u18107207@tuks.co.za), copying Ms Sabeeha Majid (sabeeha.majid@up.ac.za) by Thursday 30
 October 2025.
- Kindly confirm your virtual attendance by Friday 31 October 2025 by completing the Zoom registration form

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