



CALL FOR APPLICATION

TRAINING ON LITIGATION OF SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH RIGHTS BEFORE NATIONAL AND REGIONAL MECHANISMS IN AFRICA

3-4 August 2023

The Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria invites applications from litigators and other stakeholders passionate about sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), for a capacity building training on litigation of SRHR claims before national and regional mechanisms in Africa. The training is scheduled to take place from 3-4 August 2023 in Pretoria, South Africa.

The Centre for Human Rights will bear the cost associated with participating in the training, including: an economy class ticket, accommodation, visa, meals while in Pretoria as well as airport pick up and drop off. Participants will be required to arrive at the venue of the training (in Pretoria) on 2 August, attend the training on 3 and 4 August, and depart by the morning of 5 August 2023. Please note that there are limited spaces available.

About the training

The training aims to empower litigators with competencies to litigate sexual and reproductive health rights claims before national and regional mechanisms. The ultimate goal of the training is an increase in the number and quality of SRHR cases litigated before adjudicating mechanisms, especially those focusing on issues that have so far not received sufficient attention. Among other things, the training will focus on contemporary sexual and reproductive issues in Africa, identification of litigable SRHR issues and strategies for litigation of SRHR claims before national and regional mechanisms. Facilitators for the training will be drawn across from practitioners (academics and lawyers) with a track record of dealing with SRHR issues and litigation before national and regional bodies on the African continent. Emphasis will be laid on the normative standards on SRHR and an overview of the gaps and opportunities in litigation of contemporary SRHR issues in Africa such as harmful practices and SRHR of persons with intersectional identities.

Application procedure:

Submit your application **BEFORE** 30/06/2023 to:
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and foluso.adegalu@up.ac.za

The application must include a one-page **statement of motivation** and **2-page CV** detailing the applicant's: organisation (or firm), qualification and litigation experience; extent of Involvement in litigation of SRHR before national and African human rights mechanisms; the core SRHR issues/ themes covered in their work; and how they envisage the training to contribute to their work in the short, immediate and long term.

Applicants will be informed of their selection **by 2 July 2023**.



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