



CONTINENTAL TJ FORUM 2017

THE STATE OF TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE IN AFRICA

Johannesburg, South Africa
19 – 21 October 2017

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Date	Time	Session	Panellists	Moderator
DAY 1				
Thursday, 19 Oct	08:30-09:00	Registration		
	09:00-09:10	Introduction and Rationale of the Forum		Ms Annah Moyo, CSV
	09:10-10:30	Public Lecture: “The State of TJ in Africa: African conflicts, their mediation/transition and ultimately nation building”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioner Solomon Dersso, ACHPR 	Ambassador Salah Hammad, DPA & AGA
	10:30-11:00	Group Photo & Tea Break		

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	11:00-12:30	<p>Plenary I: Evaluating the discourse on transitional justice in Africa Tracing the trajectory of the discourse on transitional justice in Africa, examining the lessons from various African experiences on the limits of the mainstream discourse on transitional justice and articulating an African conception of transitional justice.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Brian Kagoro, Independent TJ Expert • Dr Franklin Oduro, CDD – Ghana • Dr Hugo van der Merwe, CSV <p><i>Discussion</i></p>	Ms Annah Moyo, CSV
	12:30-14:00	Lunch break		
	14:00-15:30	<p><u>Parallel Sessions</u></p> <p>1. Youth and Transitional Justice</p> <p>What is the role of African youth in political transformations and conflicts on the continent? In line with the 2017 African Union Theme, how can we harness the youth demographic dividend, channeling the youth towards peace-making in Africa (as opposed to their marginalization which facilitates their conscription into armed struggle)?</p>	<p><i>Instigators: (10 minutes each)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Olivier Kambala • Mr Ahmed Hamdy Hassan • Ludoh Nkabiti 	Bernadus Steven Harageib, CYC – Southern Africa
		<p>2. Gender and Transitional Justice</p> <p>What are existing gaps, challenges and opportunities in adopting and implementing a gender lens in transitional justice programming and policies in Africa? How can we address gendered violations in a post-conflict contexts and ensure that the justice needs of victims of sexual violence are also met?</p>	<p><i>Instigators: (10 min each)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Annie Chikwana, University of Johannesburg • Ms Sufiya Bray, CSV • Ms Irene Kagwa, Ugandan Law Society 	Ms Nomathamsanqa Masiko, CSV

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		<p>3. Human Rights Institutions and Transitional Justice</p> <p>What is the role of national human rights institutions in transitional justice processes? While TJ mechanisms are time-bound and mandate specific and may be dismantled when their mandate come to an end (e.g. TRCs, Special Courts, etc.), is there a role for NHRIs to play in furthering the TJ agenda in post conflict contexts/democratic dispensations?</p>	<p><i>Instigators: (10 min each)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adv. Bongani Majola, SAHRC • Mr Jean-Baptiste Baribonekeza, CNIDH • Mr Gilford Kimathi Kithure, NANHRI 	<p>Mr Richard Chelin, CSV</p>
	<p>15:30-16:00</p>	<p>Tea Break</p>		
	<p>16:00-17:30</p>	<p>Plenary II: The weight and relevance of contexts in formulating TJ mechanisms in Africa</p> <p>How have contextual realities of African countries either enabled or hindered the successful application of transitional justice processes, programmes and initiatives in Africa? What are the key lessons and experiences from Nigeria, Uganda, Mali & South Sudan? How has TJ responded to Africa's history of colonialism and its legacies?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Jasper Ukachukwu, CDD -Nigeria • Mr Lury Nkouessom, ABA ROLI – Mali • Mr Edmund Yakani, CEPO –South Sudan • Dr Hakeem Yusuf, Birmingham University <p><i>Discussion</i></p>	<p>Mr Brian Kagoro, Independent TJ Expert</p>
		<p>END OF DAY I</p>		
	<p>18h30pm</p>	<p>Group Dinner (ALL)- Venue to be confirmed</p>		

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DAY 2				
Friday, 20 Oct	08:45-09:00	Recap of Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rapporteur 	Dr Sebatso Manoeli
	09:00-09:30	Opening Ceremony & Welcoming Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Tefo Raditapole, Chairman of the Board of Directors, CSVR Dr Khabele Matlosa, Director, DPA 	Ms Nomfundo Mogapi, CSVR
	09:30-11:00	<p>Plenary III: Balancing peace, justice and reconciliation.</p> <p>What are African experiences in reconciling the competing objectives of transitional justice (issues of sequencing, balancing peace and justice and timing of transitional justice processes etc)?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Bonaventure Guedegbe, PSD Prof John Tesha, Africa Forum Amb Fafre Camara, Mali <p><i>Discussion</i></p>	Ms Michelle Ndiaye, TANA Trust & IPSS
	11:00-11:30	Tea Break		
	11:30-13:00	<p>Plenary IV: Healing as an integral component of transitional justice and a catalyst for sustainable peace</p> <p>How can Africa address collective trauma and woundedness during conflict? How is addressing this trauma at all levels of society central to building lasting peace?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Nomfundo Mogapi, CSVR Dr Tim Murithi, IJR Ms Laura Anyola Tufon, JPC –Bamenda 	Advocate Vusi Pikoli, Western Cape Police Ombudsman

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	13:00-14:00	Lunch break		
	14:00-15:30	<p><u>Parallel Sessions</u></p> <p>1. <i>Victim Participation in Transitional Justice Processes in Africa</i></p> <p>What is the role of victims of gross human rights violations and affected communities in the design/development and implementation of transitional justice processes in Africa? How can we do things differently and ensure their lived experiences inform national TJ priorities?</p> <p>2. <i>The role of AU organs, RECs, and AU Member States in implementing transitional justice processes in Africa</i></p> <p>What is the role of the AU organs; RECS and Member States in the implementation of TJ processes in Africa? What role do AU organs envision in the broader TJ discourse and what are their needs towards actualising this role?</p> <p>3. <i>Funding and financing of transitional justice processes in Africa</i></p> <p>What are the priorities of funders when it comes to transitional justice processes at national level? Who controls the TJ narrative at national level (eg funder-driven priorities, political and national priorities or victims' needs)?</p>	<p><i>Instigators: (10 min each)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Elisabeth Jengo, CSVR • Mr John Caulker, Fambul Tok • Mr Jackson Odong, RLP <p><i>Instigators: (7 minutes each)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieng Akena, PACIN • Commissioner Solomon Dersso, ACHPR • Mr Bonaventure Guedegbe, PSD/AUC • Mr Emmanuel Okorodudu, ECOWAS <p><i>Instigators: (10 minutes each)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mohammad S. Elhalawani • Mr Hussein Thomasi • Ambassador Osman Keh Kamara 	<p>Mr Miraji Magai Maira, The Mwalimu Nyerere Foundation</p> <p>Mr John Ikubaje, DPA</p> <p>Dr Hugo Van de Merwe.</p>

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	15:30-16:00	Tea Break		
	16:00-17:30	<p>Plenary V: Traditional/community-based justice and transitional justice in Africa</p> <p>How do traditional or community-based justice/healing/reconciliation measures serve as inspiration and a mechanism for transitional justice in Africa?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Khabele Matlosa, DPA • Justice Joel Ngugi (TBC), Kenyan High Court • Jackson Odong, RLP • John Caulker, Fambul Tok <p><i>Discussion</i></p>	Ms Nicole Beardsworth, CSVR
		<p>END OF DAY 2</p> <p><i>Dinner: At your own leisure.</i></p>		
	18:00-19:30	Open Debate: High Level Panel “The State of Transitional Justice in Africa”	TBC	TBC
DAY 3				
Saturday, 21 Oct	08:45-09:00	Recap of Day 2	Rapporteur	Dr Sebatso Manoeli
	09:00-10:30	<p>Plenary VI: CSOs’ contribution to shaping, promoting and challenging TJ norms in Africa</p> <p>How have CSOs initiated, shaped and facilitated transitional justice processes in Africa?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Brian Kagoro Independent TJ Expert • Ms Annah Moyo, CSVR • Ms Roselyn Hanzi, ZLHR 	Mr. Mbari Calixte, DPA

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	10:30-11:00	Tea Break		
	11:00-13:00	<p>Plenary VII: African Member States and their commitment to Transitional Justice in Africa</p> <p>STC-Task Force representatives' views on African Member States' commitment to transitional justice in Africa: What do African Member States see as gaps, opportunities and avenues of synergy and collaboration with various stakeholders on shaping a continental TJ agenda?</p>	STC Task Force Representatives	Dr Khabele Matlosa, DPA
	13:00-14:00	Lunch break		
	14:00-15:00	Closing Ceremony & Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Nomfundo Mogapi, CSV Dr Kole Shettima, MacArthur Foundation Ms Ellouise King, STC Task Force –SA Dr Khabele Matlosa, DPA 	Amb. Salah Hammad, DPA
		THE END		
		Dinner: At your leisure		