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# PROGRAMME



# **CONFERENCE ON**

"THE RULE OF LAW IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA: PROMISES, PROGRESS, PITFALLS AND PROSPECTS"

29-30 JUNE 2017

University of Pretoria, Hatfield, Moot Court, Faculty of Law





Day 1 - Thursday 29 June 2017	
8.30 – 9.00	Coffee and registration
9.00 -10.00am	Opening Session
	<b>Director of Ceremonies:</b> <i>Mr Peter Wendoh</i> , Project Advisor, Rule of Law Program for Sub- Saharan Africa of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung
	<b>Welcoming Remarks: Prof André Boraine</b> , Dean of Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria.
	<b>Remarks: Dr Arne Wulff</b> , Director, Rule of Law Program for Sub- Saharan Africa of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung
	Introductory Remarks: An overview of the rule of law crisis in Africa: Prof Charles Fombad, Institute for International and Comparative Law in Africa, University of Pretoria
10:00 – 10:30	Morning tea and photo session
10:30 – 13:00	Session 1: The Rule of Law and Democracy
	Chair: Mr Peter Wendoh, Project Advisor, Rule of Law Program for Sub-Saharan Africa of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung
	Presentations:
	Administrative justice, environmental governance and the rule of law in Malawi: Mr Chikosa Banda, Lecturer Faculty of Law, University of Malawi: Chancellor College, and Mr Kondwani Chikadza, Lecturer, Department of Political and Administrative Studies, University of Malawi: Chancellor College
	Joseph Kabila's Third Term Campaign and the Complicity of the Constitutional Court and others in the Crisis of Democracy and the Rule of Law in the Democratic Republic of Congo: Prof André Mbata Mangu, Research Professor, School of Law, University of South Africa (UNISA)
	The rule of law and democracy in Ghana since independence: uneasy bedfellows? Prof Kwame Frimpong, Founding Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Professional Studies, Accra (UPSA), Ghana and Mr Kwaku Agyeman-Budu, Lecturer, Faculty of Law,

	Ghana Institute of Management & Public Administration (GIMPA), Ghana	
	The breakdown of rule of law in Eritrea and the lessons for Africa: Mr Daniel Mekonnen, Executive Director of the Eritrean Law Society (ELS), and Mr Wegi Sereke, Consultant, Europe External Policy Advisors (EEPA), Brussels.	
	Plenary Discussions	
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14:30 –15:30	Session 2: The Rule of Law and Access to Justice	
	Chair: Mrs Mankanatsa Makonese, Executive Secretary, Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission	
	Presentations:	
	The rule of law and access to justice in Zimbabwe: citizens' perception on challenges and opportunities: Mr Delis Mazambani, Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission.	
	Standing, access to justice and the rule of law in Zimbabwe: Dr Admark Moyo, Lecturer, Herbert Chitepo Law School, Great Zimbabwe University.	
	International Crimes, National Trials, and Victim Participation: An Avenue to Enhance the Rule of Law and to Tackle Impunity in the DRC? Dr Derek Inman, Department of International and European Law, Faculty of Law and Criminology, Vrije Universiteit Brussels, Belgium	
	Plenary Discussions	
15:30 – 16:00	Afternoon tea	
16:00 – 17:30	Session 3: The Rule of Law, Discriminatory Practices and Social Inequalities	
	Chair: Prof Andre Thomashausen, Emeritus Professor, School of Law, University of South Africa	
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	Presentations:
	Large-scale agricultural land acquisitions and Ethiopia's ethnic minorities: A test for the rule of law: Mr Tilahun Hudeya, Faculty of Law, Monash University, Melbourne Australia
	Women's access to regional justice as a fundamental element of the rule of law: The absence of a committee on the rights of women in Africa and its effects on the enforcement of the Maputo Protocol: Prof E.A Rudman, Head of Department, Department of Public Law, University of Stellenbosch
	The rule of law and discriminatory practices in Botswana: Lessons from the Roy Sesana Case: Dr Onkemetse Tshosa, former Judge and Head of Law Department, Faculty of Law and Social Sciences, University of Botswana
	Plenary Discussions
17:30	Transfer back to the Hotel
19:00	Dinner at the Hotel
	ıy 2- Friday 30 June 2017
<b>Dc</b> 08:30 – 10:00	Session 5: The Rule of Law and Surveillance
	Session 5: The Rule of Law and Surveillance Chair: Prof Koos Malan, Department of Public Law,
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	Session 5: The Rule of Law and Surveillance Chair: Prof Koos Malan, Department of Public Law, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria Presentations: The Right to Privacy in the Age of Surveillance to Counter-Terrorism in Ethiopia: Mr Hiruy Wubie Gebreegziabher, Faculty of Law, Monash University,

10:00 – 10:30	Morning tea
10:30 – 12:30	Session 6: Monitoring and Enforcing the Rule of Law in Africa
	Chair: Dr Arne Wulff, Department of Public Law, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria
	Presentations:
	The Rule of law principles in the jurisprudence of the East African Court of Justice: Justice Gerard Niyungeko, Judge and former President of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights.
	The role of NHRI in monitoring and enforcing the rule of law in Sub-Sahara Africa: Mrs Mankanatsa Makonese, Executive Secretary, Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission
	The Nairobi principles on accountability as a means of Monitoring and Enforcing the Rule of Law and Accountability for International Crimes in Africa:  Dr Thomas Obel Hansen, Lecturer in Law, Transitional Justice Institute/ Ulster University Law School, Belfast
	Strengthening Rule of Law enforcement in Sub- Saharan Africa: the Role of African Union: Dr Tsega Andualem Gelaye, Lecturer, College of Law, Debre Berhan University, Debre Berhan, Ethiopia
	Plenary Discussions
12:30 – 13:45	Session 7: Addressing the Crisis of Rule of Law in Africa
	Chair: Prof Kwame Frimpong, Founding Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Professional Studies, Accra (UPSA), Ghana
	Presentations:
	Developing best practice guidelines for judicial appointments: Mr Chris Oxtoby, Senior Researcher, Democratic Governance and Rights Unit, Department of Public Law, University of Cape Town
	The importance of strong institutions and capacity building for enforcing the Rule of law: Prof Andre Thomashausen, Emeritus Professor, School of Law, University of South Africa

	Developing Benchmarks and indicators under ACDEG to advance the rule of law in Africa: Mr Edward Murumi, Practicing Advocate & Partner at Munyao Kayugira and Company Advocates, Nairobi  Plenary Discussions
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14:45 – 16:45	Session 8: General Conclusion
	<b>Chair: Prof Kwame Frimpong</b> , Founding Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Professional Studies, Accra (UPSA), Ghana
	Summary of discussions and recommendations:  Dr Eric Kibet Murosoi, Lecturer, Riara University Law School, Nairobi, Kenya
	Brief discussion
	Closing Remarks: Dr Arne Wulff, Director, Rule of Law Program for Sub-Saharan Africa of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung
	Vote of thanks: Prof Charles Fombad, Institute for International and Comparative Law in Africa, University of Pretoria
19:00 – 21:30	Farewell Dinner at Capeesh Restaurant
Day 3- Saturday 1 July 2017	
Breakfast at the hotel	
Check out and transfer to the Airport for international and out of town delegates	