



Oxford Human Rights Hub
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Women and Poverty: A Human Rights Perspective

Registration

8:00am

Monday 28th April 2014

I. Opening Ceremonies

8:30-10:30am

A Moment of Silence for the 1994 Genocide in Rwanda

Dean of the Faculty of Law, Oxford University, Professor Timothy Endicott

International Academic Programmes Office, University of Cape Town, Ms Caroline Ojwang

Rhodes Professor of the Laws of the British Commonwealth and the USA (Oxford University), Professor Sandra Fredman

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (Rwanda) Hon. Professor Sam Rugege

First Lady of Rwanda, Her Excellency, Madame Jeannette Kagame

Welcoming Tea and Coffee 10.30 – 11:00am

II. Women and Poverty: A human rights perspective

11:00-12:30am

Professor Olivier de Schutter, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food (Catholic University of Louvain and College of Europe)—Gender empowerment as a tool against poverty and malnutrition

Professor Sandra Fredman, Rhodes Professor of the Laws of the British Commonwealth and the USA (Oxford University)—Engendering Human Rights

Commissioner Winfred Osimbo Lichuma (Chairperson National Gender and Equality Commission Kenya)—Commitment to Sexual and Reproductive Health as a driver to Poverty Reduction: Using National Human Rights Mechanisms to hold the Government to account-A case of a public inquiry in Kenya

Chair: Dr Usta Kaitesi

Lunch 12.30 – 1.30pm

**II. A Judicial Conversation--Achieving Gender Equality:
The Respective Roles of Courts and Policy** **1:30-3:00pm**

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (Rwanda) Hon. Professor Sam Rugege

Former Justice Constitutional Court (South Africa) Justice Kate O'Regan

Chair: Professor Sandra Fredman

Tea and Coffee Break 3:00-3:30pm

IV. Women, Poverty and Land **3.30 – 5:00pm**

Ms Patricia Nyaundi, (The Secretary to the Commission Kenya National Commission on Human Rights)—Moving beyond the promise: Actualizing the legal recognition of women's right to own and control land in Kenya

Olanrewaju Emmanuel Ajiboye, (Lagos State University)—Inheritance Rights, Customary Law and Feminization of Poverty Among Rural Women in South-West Nigeria

Chair: Dr Francois Xavier Kalinda

V. Gender, Poverty and Migration: A Human Rights Approach **5:00– 6:30pm**

Dr Stephanie Millan (Université Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense)—The International and Regional Protection of Internally Displaced Women and Girls

Dr Usta Kaitesi (University of Rwanda) Women and Poverty—The Legacy of the Genocide Against Tutsi in Rwanda

Chair: Professor Prof Timothy Endicott

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VI. Developing Gender Equality **8:30-10:00am**

Dr. Rose Mukankomeje (Director General of Rwanda Environmental Management Authority)

Dr Barbara Havelkova (Oxford University)—Using A Gender Equality Analysis to Improve the Well-Being of Prostitutes

Diana L Ofwona (UN Women, Rwanda)—The Impact of Female Employment on Family and Community Welfare in Post-Conflict Economies

Chair: Dr Alfred Mwenedata

Tea and Coffee Reception 10:00-10:30am

**VII. Exploring the Potential of Socio-economic Rights to Remedy Women's Poverty
10:30-12:00pm**

Godwin Chinedu Odo, (University of Pretoria)—Towards a right-based approach to addressing maternal mortality and morbidity in Africa

Prof Pamela Abbott and Dr Dixon Malunda, (University of Aberdeen and Institute of Policy Analysis and Research(Rwanda))—Socioeconomic Development, Gendered Inequalities in Agriculture and Women's Rights in Rwanda

Yvonne Matuturu, (UNESCO Mission de la Culture de la Paix, UNESCO Burundi)—Education as a Leverage to Alleviate Women's Poverty in Burundi

Chair: Dr Sindiso Weeks

Lunch 12:00-1:00pm

**VIII. Women and Economic Development: The Promise of Corporate Social Responsibility
1:00-2:30pm**

Dr. Jeni Klugman (Sector Director-Gender and Development, Poverty Reduction & Economic Management Network, World Bank)— Gender Equality and Economic Opportunities: An Overview of Patterns, Constraints and Emerging Solutions

Professor Chris Mayna Peter (Member of the International Law Commission) – Wrong Path out of Poverty: Women and Corporate Social Responsibility

Chair: Dr Barbara Havelkova

Tea and Coffee Reception 2:30-3:00pm

IX. Women and Work: Labour Law and Social Security 3:00-5.00pm

Dr Juliana Masanbo (University of Dar es Salaam)—Unblocking the Barriers: Making the EAC Regime Beneficial to Female Labour Migrants

Professor Frances Lund Director of the Social Protection Programme of Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing and a Senior Research Associate in the School of Built Environment and Development Studies (University of

KwaZulu-Natal) – Security for women in the informal economy: between labour law, urban regulation and social protection

Fatime Christiane Ndiaye, (Spécialiste Technique Principale Egalité entre Hommes et Femmes)—Women and Poverty : An International Labour Standards Perspective’

Chair: Ms Laura Hilly

Wednesday 30th April 2014

X. Future Developments in Women, Human Rights and Poverty 8:30-10:00am

Professor Gertrude M.N.Fester (Research and Publication Coordinator of the Rwandan Association of University Women and former Commissioner of Gender Equality (South Africa))— African Women and Poverty: A Human Rights Feminist Perspective (with specific reference to Rwanda and South Africa)

Asikia Ige, (University of Lagos, Nigeria)—Women, Poverty and Human Rights Law: Applying Feminist Research Methods

Dr Serges Djoyou Kamaga (University of South Africa)—What on earth is the realization of women’s rights and gender equality in Africa without a role for traditional rulers?

Chair: Dr Jaakko Kusomanen

Tea and Coffee Reception 10:00-10:30am

VII. The Interaction of Women, Poverty and Customary Law 10:30-12:00pm

Dr Sindiso Mnisi Weeks (Senior Researcher Centre for Law and Society, University of Cape Town)

Professor John C Mubangizi (University of KwaZulu-Natal)—Gender-related Cultural Practices that Violate Human Rights and Perpetuate Women’s Poverty: An African Perspective

Tabeth Masengu, (University of Cape Town)—‘Impoverishing Women; Lessons Learnt from *Ramantele v Mmusi and Others*’

Chair: Dr Jennie Burnett

Lunch 12:00-1:00pm

XII. Moving Forward: Strategic Round-Table Discussion 1:00-2:30pm

The Conference will conclude with a tour of the Kigali Memorial Centre