



Republic of Kenya



HIGH-LEVEL REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON JUSTICE AND GOOD GOVERNANCE

Combating impunity and upholding human rights as key contributions to peace and security

Windsor Golf Hotel & Country Club - Nairobi, Kenya

Technical-Level Consultation

13-14 May 2019

Day 1 – Monday 13 May 2019

08:30 – 09:00	Registration of participants
08:50-09:00	UNDSS Security briefing
09:00 – 10:00	Opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Statement by Mr. Huang Xia, United Nations Special Envoy for the Great Lakes Region- Statement by Mr. Andrew Gilmour, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights- Statement by Ambassador Zachary Muburi-Muita, ICGLR Executive Secretary- Opening by Hon. Eugene Wamalwa EGH, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Devolution & Arid & Semi-Arid Lands <p><i>Keynote address by Ambassador Liberata Mulamula, former Executive Secretary of the ICGLR</i></p>
10:00 – 10:15	Introduction of participants
10:15 – 10:30	Break and group photo
10:30 – 11:30	The ICGLR Framework as a vehicle for combating impunity and promoting justice and human rights: achievements and challenges <p><u>Presenter:</u> Mr. Franck Okuthe-Oyugi, Executive Director, ICGLR Levy Mwanawasa Regional Centre for Democracy & Good Governance</p>
11:30 – 12:30	The ECOWAS Experience: the Bamako declaration and way forward <p><u>Presenter:</u> Mr Emmanuel Okorodudu, Head of Democracy and Good Governance, ECOWAS</p>



12:30 – 13:30

Lunch

13:30 – 15:00

Expert Panel 1: Combating impunity and promoting human rights and access to justice in domestic courts, including through regional legislative and institutional frameworks

This first expert panel seeks to discuss how the rule of law, the promotion of human rights and the administration of justice can be strengthened at domestic levels, particularly through regional legislative and institutional frameworks.

Moderator: Mr. Franck Okute-Oyugi, Executive Director, ICGLR Levy Mwanawasa Regional Centre for Democracy & Good Governance

Presenters:

- Mr. Justice Sylvain Oré, President of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights, Addis Abeba
- Mr. Désiré Iwangou, Director of Humanitarian Affairs & Cross-cutting Issues, ICGLR Statelessness Focal Point, ICGLR Executive Secretariat
- Ms. Bénédicte Voos, Senior Regional Protection Officer (Statelessness), UNHCR Regional Service Center, Nairobi

15:00 – 16:45

Expert Panel 2: Transitional justice processes and mechanisms and their contribution to the fight against impunity and the strengthening of rule of law in the region

Using the African Union Transitional Justice Policy as a reference point, this panel examines the role of transitional justice processes and mechanisms in the region in the implementation of the ICGLR framework and protocols and the fight against impunity.

Moderator: Mr. Japhet Biegou, expert on transitional justice, Amnesty International

Presenters:

- Ms. Jackline Nasiwa, National Director South Sudan Centre for Inclusive Governance, peace and justice, South Sudan
- Ms. Erica Bussey, UN Justice and Corrections Standing Capacity, expert on international justice in Africa
- Mr. Christopher Gitari, International Center for Transitional Justice, Eastern Africa

16:45 – 17:00

Break

17:00 – 18:00

Closing of day 1

Recap of action points and recommendations of experts' panel 1 and 2



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Day 2 – Tuesday 14 May 2019

9:00 – 10:30

Presentation: The Great Lakes Judicial Cooperation Network and how to maximize its potential in the fight against impunity

This session aims to assess three years of work since the establishment of the Great Lakes Judicial Cooperation Network, focusing on its main achievements and challenges in combating impunity and charting a way forward with specific recommendations on how to increase the impact of the Cooperation Network.

Moderator: Ambassador Eliane Berthe Mokodopo, Program Director, Gender, women and children, ICGLR Secretariat

Presenter: Mr. Simon William M'viboudoulou, Prosecutor General of the Supreme Court, the Republic of Congo

10:30 – 10:45

Break

10:45 – 12:45

Expert Panel 3: The contribution of national human rights institutions, civil society organizations and human rights defenders in the fight against impunity. Achievements, challenges and way forward

Focusing on the specific role of national human rights institutions, civil society organizations and human rights defenders, this panel seeks to articulate how these stakeholders' role in the fight against impunity for serious human rights violations and the promotion of human rights can be further bolstered.

Moderator: Mr. Andrew Gilmour United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Human rights

Presenters:

- Ms. Julienne Lusenge, Director Fonds pour les Femmes Congolaises (FFC)
- Mr. George Morara, Vice chair of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR)

12:45 – 13:45

Lunch

13:45 – 15:45

Expert panel 4: Access to justice and reparations for victims of SGBV, including conflict-related sexual violence, as a key component of the fight against impunity

This panel seeks to identify key achievements and lessons learnt from experiences in the region regarding the provision of redress for victims and survivors of SGBV, including conflict-related sexual violence.

Moderator: Ambassador Liberata Mulamula, Former Executive Secretary of the ICGLR



Presenters:

- Ambassador Eliane Berthe Mokodopo, Program Director, Gender, Women and Children, ICGLR Secretariat
- Ms. Tina Alai, CSO - Former Director of Physicians for Human Rights-Kenya

15:45 – 16:00

Break

16:00 – 17:15

Distribution of draft “Proposed Declaration and Roadmap”, time to read and provide comments

17:15 – 18:00

Finalization of “Proposed Declaration and Roadmap”, which are to be presented to the Ministers of Justice

18:00

Closing remarks for the technical-level consultation



Day 3 – Wednesday 15 May 2019

High-level Ministerial Consultation

09:00 – 09:45

Opening session

- Opening remarks by Mr. Huang Xia, United Nations Special Envoy for the Great Lakes Region
- Opening remarks by Ambassador Zachary Muburi-Muita, ICGLR Executive Secretary
- Opening remarks by His Excellency Aimé Ange Wilfrid Bininga, the Minister of Justice, Human rights and Promotion of Indigenous People of the Republic of Congo
- Opening by Honourable Attorney General of Kenya, Mr. Paul Kihara Kariuki

09:45 – 10:00

Group photo

10:00 – 11:15

Closed door session of the Ministers of Justice

PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF THE DECLARATION

11:15 – 11:45

Presentation and adoption of Recommendations of Expert panel 1:

The contribution of regional legislation and institutional frameworks in strengthening the rule of law, access to justice and the administration of justice.

11:45 – 12:15

Presentation and adoption of Recommendations of Expert panel 2:

The role of transitional justice processes and mechanisms in the region in the implementation of the ICGLR framework and protocols.

12:15– 12:45

Presentation and adoption of Recommendations of Expert panel 3:

The contribution of National Human Rights Institutions, Civil Society Organizations and Human Rights Defenders in the fight against impunity.

12:45– 13:15

Presentation and adoption of Recommendations of Expert panel 4:

Access to justice and the provision of redress for victims and survivors of SGBV, including conflict-related sexual violence.

13:15– 13:30

Adoption of the Declaration

13:30– 14:00

Closing ceremony