



PROGRAMME

JUDGES' SYMPOSIUM ON JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE, ACCOUNTABILITY AND REFORM IN LESOTHO

28 – 29 JULY 2010

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DAY ONE

- 8:30 - 9.00 Arrival and Registration of Delegates
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- SESSION ONE:
OPENING CEREMONY**
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- Session Chair:
Martin Masiga, Senior Legal Adviser, International Commission of Jurists (ICJ)
- 9.00 - 9.15 Welcome Address: Justice Mahapela Lehohla, Chief Justice of Lesotho
- 9.15 - 9.30 Introduction of ICJ and of the Symposium: Mr. Arnold Tsunga, Director, ICJ Africa Regional Programme
- 9.30 - 10.00 Opening Remarks: His Excellency Minister of Law, Constitutional and Parliamentary Affairs of Lesotho
- 10.00 - 10.30 Key Note Address by Justice Pius Langa, Former Chief Justice, Constitutional Court of South Africa
- “Judicial Independence and Reform in the Context of Democratization Processes in Africa”*
- 10.30 - 10.45 Vote of thanks followed by Group Photo Session
- 10:45 - 11.00 **TEA BREAK**
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- SESSION TWO:
JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE**
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- Session Chair: Justice T. Monapath, High Court Judge, Lesotho
- 11.00 - 11.30 **Judicial Independence under International Human Rights Law** – Wilder Tayler, Secretary General, ICJ
- 11.30 - 12.00 **Judicial Independence under the Jurisprudence of the African Commission on Human and Peoples’ Rights** – Commissioner Mumba Malila, Deputy Chairperson, African Commission on Human and Peoples’ Rights
- 12.00 - 12.30 **The Application of International Human Rights Norms on Judicial Independence in National Human Rights Systems**, Justice Unity Dow, ICJ Commissioner
- 12.30 – 13.30 **DISCUSSION AND EXPERIENCE SHARING**
- 13.30 - 14.30 **LUNCH BREAK**
- 14.30 - 15.00 **Judicial Independence and the Protection of Human Rights in Southern Africa** - Prof. Michelo Hansungule, ICJ Commissioner & Professor of Law, University of Pretoria
- 15.00 - 15.30 **The Separation of Powers and Judicial Independence under the Constitution of Lesotho** – Advocate Peter Sakoane, Lesotho Law Society
- 15.30 - 16.00 **Administrative Independence as a Guarantee of Judicial Independence: Experiences from South Africa** - Justice Azhar Cachalia, Supreme Court of Appeal of South Africa

16.00 - 17.00	<i>DISCUSSION AND EXPERIENCE SHARING</i>
17.00 - 17.30	HOUSEKEEPING AND CLOSE OF DAY ONE
18.30	<i>WELCOMING DINNER</i>

DAY TWO

**SESSION THREE:
 JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE (CONT)**

Session Chair: Madam Justice Justina Guni, High Court Judge, Lesotho

9.00 - 9.20	Decisional Independence and Judicial Immunity in Botswana – Justice Dingake, High Court of Botswana
9.20 - 9.40	Judicial Appointment, Tenure, Remuneration and Discipline in Namibia , Justice L.C. Muller, High Court of Namibia
9.40 - 10.00	Fiscal Autonomy and Accountability as a Guarantee of Judicial Independence: The Ugandan Experience – Justice John Tsekooko, Supreme Court of Uganda
10.00 - 11.00	<i>DISCUSSION AND EXPERIENCE SHARING</i>
11.00 - 11.20	Tea Break

**SESSION FOUR:
 JUDICIAL INTEGRITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

Session Chair: Madam Justice Maseshophe Hlajoane, High Court Judge, Lesotho

11.20 - 11.40	Professional Conduct and Judicial Accountability: Issues and Possible Enforcement Mechanisms , - Justice Thomas Masuku, High Court of Swaziland
11.40 - 12.00	Reviewing Mechanisms for Preventing and Combating Judicial Corruption in Lesotho – Justice Femato Peete, Lesotho High Court
12.00 - 12.20	Using Judicial Performance Evaluations to Secure Judicial Independence & Accountability – Dr Henry Onoria, Law Professor, Makerere University, Uganda
12.20 – 13.20	<i>DISCUSSION AND EXPERIENCE SHARING</i>
13.20 – 14.20	<i>LUNCH BREAK</i>

**SESSION FIVE:
 COURT ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT**

Session Chair: Justice T. Nomngongo, High Court Judge, Lesotho

14.20 - 14.40	Effective Case Flow Management and Judicial Independence: Experiences from Botswana - Justice Moses Chinhengo, Commissioner, ICJ & High Court Judge, Botswana
14.40 – 15.00	Reforming Litigation Procedures as a Tool for Case-Flow Management: Experiences from Malawi - Justice Anaclet Chipeta, High Court Judge, Malawi
15.00 - 15.45	<i>DISCUSSION AND EXPERIENCE SHARING</i>
15.45 - 16.00	TEA BREAK
16.00 – 17.00	Way Forward for Possible Judicial Reform in Lesotho – Facilitator: Arnold Tsunga, ICJ Africa Programme Director
17.00 – 17.30	VOTE OF THANKS AND CLOSING REMARKS

- Arnold Tsunga, Director of ICJ Africa Regional Programme
- Wilder Tayler, ICJ Secretary General
- Justice Mahapela Lehohla, Chief Justice of Lesotho