



REALISING THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA: FROM FORMIDABLE CHALLENGES TO INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

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Nairobi, Kenya**

CALL FOR PAPERS: REALISING THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA: FROM FORMIDABLE CHALLENGES TO INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

As part of the 23rd African Human Rights Moot Court Competition, the School of Law (University of Nairobi, Kenya) and the Centre for Human Rights (University of Pretoria, South Africa) are pleased to announce a one-day conference on the right to development in Africa and invite proposals for papers.

BACKGROUND AND AIM OF THE CONFERENCE

The University of Nairobi School of Law, in collaboration with the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, is hosting the 23rd African Human Rights Moot Court Competition in Nairobi from 1 to 6 September 2014. Over the past 22 years, 139 universities representing 49 African countries have participated in this event, making it the largest and most far-reaching human rights educational initiative in Africa.

The one-week Moot Competition includes a one-day international human rights conference, this year on the theme 'The Right to Development in Africa: from Formidable Challenges to Innovative Solutions'.

The one-day conference will provide a forum for academics from the participating universities, as well as local and international scholars and practitioners to examine some of the challenges and opportunities to realising the right to development in Africa, including from a comparative perspective.

THEMES OF THE CONFERENCE

Presentations at the conference may deal with any of the following general themes:





- Democracy and Transparent Governance
- Equality Rights
- Freedom of Expression, Information and Assembly
- Social Policy and Human Development
- Sustainable Land Use and Environmental Development



PROCESS: POTENTIAL PRESENTERS

- Those interested in presenting a paper must submit an abstract containing their name, the proposed title and a brief summary of the argument / contribution of the paper (500 words maximum).
- Abstracts should be sent to evelyneasaala@uonbi.ac.ke before **15 June 2014**.
- Authors of abstracts selected for presentation will be informed by **30 June 2014**.
- A full paper (5,000 to 10,000 words) must be submitted before **1 August 2014** to be translated for the conference file.
- Papers will be published in advance as drafts on the website of the Moot Court Competition.
- Inclusion in the conference programme is conditional on the submission of the actual paper.
- Presenters may be required to rework their papers after the conference, and resubmit final versions for inclusion in a publication.



FINANCING

As no additional funding is available for the Moot Conference, this call for papers is intended primarily for Faculty Representatives (academics) who will, in any event, be attending the Moot Competition in Nairobi with funding from their home universities. Other potential presenters are welcome to submit abstracts, but will need to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements in order to attend the conference.

CONTACTS

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