

ANNUAL JUDGES CONFERENCE 2014

THEME: ENHANCING PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN THE JUDICIARY

Venue: Imperial Resort Beach Hotel, Entebbe

Dates: 26th - 30th JANUARY 2014

PROGRAMME

TIME	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
	Sunday, 26th January 2014	
5.00 p.m.	Arrival & Check in	JSI
7.00 - 10.00 p.m.	Dinner	
	DAY 1: Monday, 27th January 2014	
TIME	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
7.30 – 8.45 a.m.	Registration	JSI
8.45 a.m.	<i>Administrative Announcements</i>	JSI
9.00 a.m.	OFFICIAL OPENING Chairperson: Hon. Justice Dr. Esther Kisaakye Kitimbo, JSC & Chair, Judicial Training Committee	
9.00 a.m.	<i>Remarks by the Executive Director, Judicial Studies Institute</i>	Session Chairperson

	<p><i>Remarks by the Chairperson, Judicial Training Committee</i></p> <p><i>Remarks by the Hon. Minister of Justice</i></p> <p><i>Remarks by Representative of JLOS Development Partners</i></p> <p><i>Remarks by the Hon. Chief Justice</i></p>	
9.30 a.m.	<p><i>Remarks & Official Opening by the Expected Guest of Honour, His Excellency, President Yoweri K. Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda</i></p>	
10.00 a.m.	<p>GROUP PHOTO</p>	
10.05 - 10.30 a.m.	<p>HEALTH BREAK</p>	
10.30 a.m.	<p>SESSION 1:</p> <p>INSIGHT INTO THE PUBLIC'S RATING OF THE UGANDA JUDICIARY, 2013</p> <p>Chairperson: Hon. Justice Galdino M. Okello, Ag. JSC</p>	
10.30 - 10.50 a.m.	<p>Report of the Judicial Integrity Committee, 2013</p> <p><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Jotham Tumwesigye, JSC & Chair, Judicial Integrity Committee</i></p>	Session Chairperson
10.50 - 11.00 a.m.	<p>Findings from the JLOS Baseline Survey & Overview of Complaints Received Against the Judiciary in 2013</p> <p><i>Presenter: Irene Mulyagonja Kakooza, Inspector General of Government</i></p>	
11.00 - 11.30 a.m.	<p>Discussions</p>	
11.30 a.m.	<p>SESSION 2:</p> <p>IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE</p>	

	2013 ANNUAL JUDGES CONFERENCE & CURRENT ISSUES FOR HIGH COURT CIRCUITS & THE LOWER BENCH Chairperson: Hon. Justice Faith Mwendha, JA	
11.30 -11.50 a.m.	Report on the Implementation of the Resolutions of the last Annual Judges Conference <i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Dr. Esther Kisaakye Kitimbo, JSC Chairperson, Judicial Monitoring Committee</i>	Session Chairperson
11.50 a.m. - 12.10 p.m.	Pertinent issues for High Court Circuits <i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Eudes Keitirima, Gulu Circuit Judge</i>	
12.10 - 12.20 p.m.	Factors impacting on the delivery of Justice by the lower Bench in Uganda. <i>Presenter: President, Uganda Judicial Officers Association (UJOA)</i>	
12.20 - 1.00 p.m.	Discussions	
1.00 - 2.00 p.m.	LUNCH	
2.00 p.m.	SESSION 3: REFLECTING ON MANDATE & STRUCTURE OF THE JUDICIARY	

	Chairperson: Hon. Justice Remmy Kasule, JA	
2.00- 2.20.p.m.	<p>Limitations of & challenges posed by the current & proposed Judiciary Structure in enhancing the effective delivery of Justice in Uganda</p> <p><i>Presenter: Mrs. Dorcas W. Okalany, Secretary to the Judiciary</i></p>	Session Chairperson
2.20- 2.40.p.m.	<p>To what extent does the current and proposed Structure & Set Up of the Judiciary enhance the realization of the Judiciary's mandate of delivering timely & quality Justice in Uganda?</p> <p><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Dr. Yorokamu Bamwine, Principal Judge</i></p>	
2.40- 3.00 p.m.	<p>The link between the Judiciary Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) III & the JLOS SIP III: Progress, Challenges & Opportunities for Building Confidence in the Uganda Justice System</p> <p><i>Presenter: Mr. Sam Wairagala, Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist, JLOS Secretariat</i></p>	
3.00 - 3.15 p.m.	HEALTH BREAK	
3.15 - 4.15 p.m.	Discussions	
4.15 – 4.30 p.m.	<p><i>Reactions/Remarks by:</i> <i>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Service</i></p>	
7.00- 9.00 p.m.	OPENING RECEPTION	JSI
	DAY 2: Tuesday 28th January 2014	

TIME	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
8.45 a.m.	<p style="text-align: center;">SESSION 4: FOCUS ON THE PERFORMANCE OF OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chairperson: Hon. Justice Richard Buteera, JA</p>	
8.45 – 9.15 a.m.	<p>1. Report on the Performance of the Criminal Division & Emerging Trends Impacting the Criminal Justice System <i>(Bail, Quality of Representation in State Briefs, Management of Mini and Ordinary Sessions, Relevance of Assessors, etc.)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Lameck Mukasa, Head of the Criminal Division, High Court</i></p>	Session Chairperson
9.15 – 9.35 a.m.	<p>2. Report on the Performance of the Anti- Corruption Division & Emerging Trends with regard to offences involving loss of public funds</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Paul Mugamba, Head of the Anti-Corruption Division, High Court</i></p>	
9.35 – 9.45 a.m.	<p>3. Report on the Performance of the International War Crimes Division</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Moses Mukiibi, Head, International War Crimes Division, High Court</i></p>	
9.45 - 10.15 a.m.	Discussions	

10.15 - 10.45 a.m.	HEALTH BREAK	
10.45 a.m.	CURRENT ISSUES IMPACTING ON PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM (PANEL)	Chairperson: Hon. Justice Byabakama – Mugenyi, High Court Masindi
10.45 -11.00 a.m.	<i>Presenters:</i> 1. <i>Mr. Mike Chibita, Director of Public Prosecutions (Focus: Plea Bargaining, Victim Justice, etc.)</i>	
11.00 -11.15 a.m.	2. <i>Hon. Justice Lawrence Gidudu, High Court of Uganda (Focus: Report on Re- sentencing exercise & the Implementation of the Sentencing Guidelines)</i>	
11.15 -11.30 a.m.	3. <i>Ms. Irene Mulyagonja Kakooza, Inspector General of Government (Are we doing enough to tackle offences involving loss of/misappropriation of public resources?)</i>	
11.30 a.m. -12.00 p.m.	Discussions	
12.00 - 1.00 p.m.	SESSION 5: Annual Judges’ Meeting	Ag. Chief Registrar
	Chairperson: Hon. Justice Steven Kavuma, Ag. Chief Justice	
1.00 - 2.00 p.m.	LUNCH	

2.00 p.m.	SESSION 6: COMMERCIAL JUSTICE SESSION	
	Chairperson: Hon. Justice Augustine Nshimye, JA	
2.00 – 2.20 p.m.	Report on the Performance of the Commercial Division & Emerging Trends Impacting On Public Confidence in the Commercial Justice System. <i>Presenter: Hon. Justice David Wangutusi, Head, Commercial Division</i>	Session Chairperson
2.20 – 2.45 p.m.	Discussions	
2.45 – 3.15 p.m.	Implementation & Impact of the Mediation Rules. <i>Plenary Discussion</i>	
3.15 – 3.30 p.m.	HEALTH BREAK	
3.30 p.m.	SESSION 7: JUDICIAL ACCOUNTABILITY	
	Chairperson: Hon. Justice Prof. Dr. Lilian Tibatemwa, JA	
3.30 – 3.50 p.m.	1. The Bench & the Bar: Partners in the Quest for Public Trust & Confidence in the Judiciary <i>Presenter: Ms. Ruth Sebatindira, President, Uganda Law Society</i>	Session Chairperson
3.50 – 4.00 p.m.	<i>Discussant: Hon. Justice Keneth Kakuru, JA</i>	
4.00 – 4.20 p.m.	2. The Role of & Impact of the Judicial Service Commission in Enhancing Judicial Accountability & Public Confidence in	

	<p>the Judiciary.</p> <p><i>Presenter: Professor Frederick Sempebwa, Member, Judicial Service Commission (JSC) & Chairperson, JSC Disciplinary Committee</i></p>	
4.20 – 5.00 p.m.	Discussions	
	<p>DAY 3: Wednesday 29th January, 2014</p> <p>SESSION 8: ECONOMIC & SOCIAL JUSTICE SESSION</p> <p>Chairperson: Hon. Justice Masalu Musene, J.</p>	
8.45 – 9.20 a.m.	<p>Report on the Performance of the Land Division & Emerging Trends in the Land Justice System.</p> <p><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Wilson Kwesiga, Head, Land Division</i></p>	Session Chairperson
9.20 – 9.30 a.m.	<p>Report on the Performance of the Execution Division.</p> <p><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Alfonse Owiny Dollo, Head, Execution Division</i></p>	
9.30 – 10.00 a.m.	Discussions	
10.00 – 10.20 a.m.	<p>Report on the Performance of the Family Division & Emerging Trends in the Family Justice System</p> <p><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Edmund Lugayizi, Head, Family Division</i></p>	Chairperson: Justice Kainamura
10.20 – 10.40 a.m.	<p>Report on the Performance of the Civil Division & Emerging Trends in the Civil Justice System</p> <p><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Stephen Musota, Head, Civil Division</i></p>	

10.40 – 11.10 a.m.	Discussions	
11.10 - 11.30 a.m.	HEALTH BREAK	
11.30 p.m.	SESSION 9: WHAT COULD BE DONE DIFFERENTLY TO ENHANCE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN THE APPELLATE JUSTICE SYSTEM IN UGANDA? Chairperson: Hon. Justice Christine Kitumba, Ag. JSC	
11.30 - 11.50 a.m. 11.50 a.m. – 12. 10 p.m.	1. Report of the Performance of the Constitutional Court/Court of Appeal <i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Steven Kavuma, Ag. Deputy Chief Justice</i> 2. Report of the Performance of the Supreme Court <i>Presenter: Hon Justice John Tsekooko, Ag. JSC</i>	Session Chairperson
12.10 – 1.00 p.m.	Discussions	
1.00 - 2.00 p.m.	LUNCH	
2.00 p.m.	SESSION 10: RESOURCES & INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE JUDICIARY Chairperson: Hon. Justice John Tsekooko, Ag. JSC	
2.00 – 2.15 p.m.	Developing and Managing of the Judiciary Budget <i>Presenter:</i>	Session Chairperson

	<i>Mrs. Dorcas W. Okalany, Secretary to the Judiciary</i>	
2.15 – 2.25 p.m.	<i>Discussant: Hon. Justice Solomy Bossa, JA</i>	
2.25 – 2.50 p.m.	Discussions	
2.50 – 3.05 p.m.	Strategies & Progress made towards Developing/ Acquiring Judiciary owned or suitable hired Court Premises	
	<i>Presenter: Mrs. Dorcas W. Okalany, Secretary to the Judiciary</i>	
3.05 – 3.15 p.m.	<i>Discussant: Hon. Justice Geoffrey Kiryabwire JA</i>	
3.15 – 3.40 p.m.	Discussions	
3.40 – 4.00 p.m.	HEALTH BREAK	
4.00 p.m.	SESSION 11: JUDGES' WELLBEING & JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE	
	Chairperson: Hon. Justice Dan Akiiki-Kiiza, J	
4.00 – 4.20 p.m.	Judicial Workload, Motivation & Career Progression <i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Lawrence Gidudu</i>	Session Chairperson & JSI
4.20 – 4.40 p.m.	HIV & AIDS, Judges' Health, Lifestyle & Welfare <i>Presenter: Dr. Stephen Watiti</i>	
4.40 – 5.00 p.m.	Discussions	
7.00 – 9.00 p.m.	CLOSING COCKTAIL & DINNER	

	DAY 4: Thursday 30th January 2014	
TIME	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
8.45 a.m.	<p align="center">SESSION 12: JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE</p> <p align="center">Chairperson: Hon. Justice Stella Arach Amoko, JSC</p>	
8.45 – 9.30 a.m.	<p>Measuring Judicial Performance</p> <p><i>Presenter: Hon. Justice Jotham Tumwesigye, Chairperson, Judicial Performance Evaluation Tool Committee & Consultants</i></p>	Session Chairperson
9.30 – 10.30 a.m.	Discussions	
10.30 – 11.00 a.m.	HEALTH BREAK	
11.30 a.m.	<p align="center">SESSION 13: ICT & THE JUDICIARY</p> <p align="center">Chairperson: Hon. Justice Dr. Benjamin Odoki, Ag. JSC</p>	
11.30 -11.50 a.m.	<p>The Role of Information Technology (IT) in improving Judicial Performance & Fostering Public Confidence</p> <p><i>Presenter: Chair, ICT Committee</i></p>	Session Chairperson
11.50 a.m. -12.10 p.m.	Presentation on Cyber Crime & Recent IT Legislation	

	<i>Presenter: National Information Technology Authority (NITA)</i>	
12.10 -12.30 p.m.	Discussions	
12.30 p.m.	<p style="text-align: center;">SESSION 14: STRATEGIES TO MANAGE PUBLIC EXPECTATIONS & TO ENHANCE JUDICIAL RESPONSIVENESS TO PUBLIC CONCERNS & NEEDS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chairperson: Hon. Justice Eldad Mwangusya, JA</p>	
12.30 - 12.50 p.m.	<p style="text-align: center;">PLENARY DISCUSSIONS</p> <p><i>(Session will explore improved Customer Care, Open Court Days, Court User Committees, Increased Access to Court Proceedings through Televised proceedings, Developing queuing systems, etc.)</i></p>	Session Chairperson
12.50 - 1.00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Resolutions & Way Forward</i> • <i>Evaluation of the Conference</i> 	Session Chairperson & Chairperson, Judicial Training Committee
1.00 p.m.	<p style="text-align: center;">CLOSING SESSION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chairperson: Hon. Justice Jane Kiggundu, J Executive Director, Judicial Studies Institute</p>	
1.00 - 1.30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Remarks by the Chairperson, Judicial Training Committee</i> • <i>Remarks by the Principal Judge</i> • <i>Remarks by Attorney General</i> • <i>Remarks by the Ag. Chief Justice</i> • <i>Remarks & Official Closing by the Expected Guest of Honour, Hon. Amama Mbabazi, The Prime Minister of the Republic of Uganda</i> 	Session Chairperson
1.30 - 2.30 p.m.	LUNCH	

2.30 p.m.

DEPARTURE