



Judicial Colloquium

Sexual and Gender Based Violence in Uganda

December 15, 16th 2014

Principal Objective: This international judicial colloquium will provide Judges with a platform to have reflections about the practice in relation to Sexual and Gender Based Violence. The reflections will cover contributing factors and impact of SGBV; the Uganda Context, different dimensions to SGBV, Comparative Jurisprudence from the region and court practices. In order to promote and protect the rights of women, there is need to address all aspects of SGBV including domestic violence, sexual violence and harmful cultural practices. There will be discussions focusing on how formal and informal systems including the structures can be strengthened to protect women against rights violation including the Judiciary.

Duration: 1 ½ days

Dates: December 15 and 16 2014

Themes

- Sexual Gender Based Violence; causes, contributing factors and impact.
- The Ugandan Context of SGBV
- Different Dimensions of SGBV.
- Comparative Jurisprudence on SGBV.
- Court Practices in Relation to the Law and SGBV.

The five themes were chosen because they are particularly relevant to women living in Uganda, the East African Region and directly affect women's ability to exercise their human rights. National, regional and international law has recognized all the three themes as deserving of

protection under the human rights framework. The structure of colloquium shall be as follows;



A key note address shall be presented by the Chief Justice of the Republic of Kenya.

Thereafter, panel discussions shall be held on the following topics;

- ❖ How the JLOS structure is positioned to address SGBV issues.
- ❖ Practice and Approaches to Addressing SGBV; an over View of SGBV Cases and statistics in Uganda; court practices in relation to the Law and SGBV.
- ❖ A View from the Bench, Judicial activism, Practice directions, a view from the Bar by a senior experienced advocate.
- ❖ Policy dimension in relation to SGBV, structures of addressing SGBV and how the Structure is positioned to address SGBV issues.
- ❖ Gender, Human Rights and Customs
- ❖ Challenges in handling SGBV Cases/Legal Aid.

There will be panel discussions led by Judges from other Jurisdictions and renowned academia. The deliberations from these panel discussions, recommendations, and resolutions shall be documented and compiled into a final document outlining the findings of the colloquium.

The Judicial Training Manual on Sexual and Gender Based Violence that was developed by FIDA-U and the Judicial Studies institute in 2011 and reviewed shall be launched.



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Time	Topic	Facilitator	CHAIR
14 th November, 2014	Travel and Check-in of Participants		
DAY 1: 15th December, 2014			
8:30 – 9:00 am	Arrival and Registration		
9:00 – 9:30 am	Official Opening Key Note Address	Guest of Honour Chief Justice of Kenya	
9:30 – 10:30 am 10:30 – 11:00 am	Session 1 SGBV: The Ugandan Context Understanding Sexual and Gender Based Violence – Causes, Contributing Factors and Impact Plenary Discussions	Presenter Lady Justice Winfred Nyondo Nabisinde. Judge of the High Court of Uganda.	BOARD MEMBER FIDA UGANDA
11:00 - 11.30am	Health break & Group photo		
11:30 – 12:30pm 12.30 -1.00pm	Panel 1 SGBV: the Uganda Context. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SGBV Cases and Statistics in Uganda • Policy Dimensions to SGBV • JLOS Structures for addressing SGBV • Lessons from Legal Aid regarding SGBV Plenary Discussions	Panelists <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Christine Alal (Head CFPU) II. MGLSD III. JLOS IV. FIDA-U 	Irene Ovonji Odida. CEO FIDA UGANDA
1:00-2 :00pm	Lunch break		

2:00 – 3:00 pm	Panel 2. Different Dimensions to SGBV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Cultural Practices, beliefs & SGBV • Psychosocial impact of SGBV • SGBV & Transitional Justice 	Panelists Dr. Zahara Nampewo. Director Huripec Dr. Olive Sentumbwe Justice Owiny Dolo	JSI
4:00 -5:00pm	Plenary Discussions		
5:00 -	Health Break and Departure		
Day Two 16th December 2014			
8:00 – 9:00 am	Arrival and Registration	FIDA-U	
9:00 – 10: am	Panel 3 Comparative Jurisprudence	Panelists Judges from the Region: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Sudan • Kenya • Rwanda • Tanzania • Burundi • Uganda 	JSI
10:00- 10:30am	Panel Discussion		
10:30 – 11 am Health break			
11am – 12:00pm	Court Practices in Relation to the Law and SGBV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A View from the Bench • A View from the Bar (DPP) • A view from the bar (Practicing Advocates) • A view from the academia. Court practice on SGBV- Observations. • Medical 	Panelists I. Justice Batema N.D.A II. Representative of DPP Susan Okalany III. ASST Commissioner (Head SGBV DPP) Counsel Mubiru or Kabega IV. Dr. Onzivua (MOH)	FIDA-U
12:00-12:30pm			

	Evidence & SGBV Panel Discussion		
12:30 – 1:00 pm	Launch of the Judicial Training Manual on Sexual Gender based Violence	Prof. Joe Oloka Onyango.	FIDA-U & JSI
1:00 -1.30pm	Wrap Up		
1:30- 2.00	Evaluation Closing ceremony	Principle Judge Yorokamu Bamwine	
Lunch and departure			