



**Training workshop on
Women, Land and Homes:
Assessment of impacts of dispossession
23–25 July 2018
Desmond Tutu Conference Centre
Programme**

23 July

The first day of training will introduce the gender equality approach to human rights, particularly, housing and land-related rights, provide an overview to Human Rights legislative framework and protection mechanisms at the International, regional and national spheres, and, introduce the theory and practice of the human rights concept of effective remedy.

Session 1: 9:00am – 10:30am

Welcome and introductions

Introduction to the project and workshop

Davinder Lamba, Mazingira Institute, and Joseph Schechla, HIC--HLRN

The introductory session will provide a brief description of the project background, activities and objectives and briefly explain the structure, sessions and objectives of the three days of the workshop.

Changing moments and the question of land and housing in Kenya

Steve Ouma Akoth, Pamoja Trust

Gender equality and women's rights approach to housing and land rights

Diana Lee-Smith, Mazingira Institute

The session will examine the importance of gender equality and women's equal rights to land, housing and property, as well as provide the key aspects, characteristics and impacts of gender discrimination and violation of women's right to land, housing and property.

Break: 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Session 2: 11:00 AM – 12:45 PM

International human rights legislative framework and protection mechanisms

Joseph Schechla, HIC-HLRN

The session will provide basic information about the international legislative framework of human rights concerning gender equality, women, non-discrimination and economic, social and cultural rights, particularly rights concerning housing, land and property. The session will be an opportunity to describe the international human rights protection mechanisms in force as well as the access of civil society entities and local communities to these protection mechanisms against forced evictions, other violations of the right to housing and land-related rights and women's rights violations.

Regional human rights legislative framework and protection mechanisms

Ahmed Mansour, HIC-HLRN

The session will provide basic information about the African Union legislative framework of human rights concerning gender equality, women, non-discrimination and economic, social and cultural rights, particularly rights concerning housing, land and property. Furthermore, the session will be an opportunity to describe the African Union protection mechanisms of human rights in force as well as the access of civil society entities and local communities to these protection mechanisms against forced evictions, other violations of the right to housing and land-related rights and women's rights violations.

Lunch: 12:45 PM – 2:00 PM

Session 3: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Kenyan human rights legislative framework and protection mechanisms

Jill Cottrell Ghai, Katiba Institute

The session will provide basic information about the Kenyan legislative framework of human rights concerning gender equality, women, non-discrimination and economic, social and cultural rights, particularly rights concerning housing, land and property. Furthermore, the session will be an opportunity to describe the Kenyan protection mechanisms of human rights in force as well as the access of civil society entities and local communities to these protection mechanisms against forced evictions, other violations of the right to housing and land-related rights and women's rights violations. Beyond the theoretical frame, this session will provide a general overview of the human rights situation and the institutional and sociocultural practices relevant to human rights in Kenya.

The human right concept of effective remedy: theory and practice

Joseph Schechla and Steve Ouma Akoth

The session will focus on applicable accessible and human rights-based formal courts and everyday justice mechanisms remedies to violations of women's land and property rights

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Summary of the first day and introduction to the second day

Samuel Ikua, Mazingira Institute

Strategic monitoring and reporting human rights

Joseph Schechla

The session will provide a theoretical background on monitoring and reporting on human rights and describe the main tools and methodologies available to civil society and local communities to monitor and report on the local situation of human rights

Break: 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Session 2: 11:00 AM – 12:45 PM

Assessing the impacts of housing and land rights violations

Ahmed Mansour

The session will describe the Eviction Impact Assessment (EviA) / Loss Matrix tool and methodology. The session will explain the background, development process and objectives of the tool, in order to contextualize it and provide an overview of the cases and countries where it was implemented, and their lessons learnt and successes.

Joseph Schechla

The session will present the diverse experiences and contexts in which the tool has been applied in several countries, resulting in a typology of cases involving violations of housing and land rights. The presentation will feature applications that focus on the impacts (losses, costs and damage) incurred by women and men, and demonstrate the need to develop the method further to capture the values at stake for women and girls in cases of violation or risk of violation of rights to adequate housing, land-related rights and rights to property.

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Session 3: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Local experiences of violation

The session will provide participants the opportunity to share cases and experiences of dispossession and novel resistance/ mitigation strategies of land and homes and impacts particularly on women. The contributions will feed into the development of typologies of violations on the third day.

25 July

The third day of the training will be an organized debate and in-depth discussion to contextualize the Eviction Impact Assessment (EviA) tool through the gender equality and women rights approach and the description of the main typologies of violations of women rights and gender equality relevant to land, housing and property. The last day of the training will also be devoted to select the 5 cases typologically diverse to be analysed in due course.

Session 1: 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Summary of the second day and introduction to the third day

Sam Ikua and Joseph Schechla

Historicizing case law and contemporary jurisprudence on violations of economic and social rights

Emily Kinama, Katiba Institute

The session will address case law and jurisprudence on violations in the Kenya context.

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Session 2: 11:00 AM – 12:45 PM

Toward a Kenyan typology of violations

Joseph Schechla

Participants will develop the inventory of local experiences into a set of (proposed) five representative types of violation represented by specific cases that would benefit from further quantification of impacts on women and girls. Of these emblematic cases, the discussion will focus on the strategic outcomes envisioned for each and identify one of particular strategic importance for an in-depth application of the EviA/Loss Matrix tool.

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Session 3: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Way forward and closing

Steve Ouma Akoth and Joseph Schechla

In this wrap-up session, the presenters will lead the discussion of further strategic steps in the project and take decisions about the next steps, including the second technical workshop on application of the EvIA/Loss Matrix tool to be customized on the basis of inputs from this workshop, the strategic objectives of its application and the online resources available.