



Global Campus
Africa

Programme

UN Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty: Sub-regional Launch

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Background

Childhood is when children develop their personality, their emotional relationships with others, their social and educational skills and their talents. For children, deprivation of liberty means depriving them of their childhood. Placing children in institutions and other facilities where they are, or may be, deprived of liberty is difficult to reconcile with the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), which celebrates its 30th anniversary this year. Article 37(b) CRC clearly states that deprivation of liberty of children shall be used only as a measure of last resort and for the shortest appropriate period of time. To address this situation, in December 2014 the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) invited the United Nations Secretary-General (SG) to commission an in-depth Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty ([A/RES/69/157](#) §52.d). In October 2016, Manfred Nowak was appointed as Independent Expert to lead the Global Study. The Independent Expert submitted his final report on the Study to the General Assembly and presented it during its seventy-fourth session ([Resolution 72/245](#) §37). Following the presentation of the UNGA report relating to the Global Study to the UNGA Third Committee in New York on 8 October 2019, and the presentation of the comprehensive version of the Global Study to the UN in Geneva on 19 November 2019, it is pivotal for the findings of the Study to be presented in the different regions of the world and discuss the best way forward in implementing the findings and corresponding recommendations.

Overall objectives and purpose of the Global Study Launches

- Present the Global Study findings, conclusions and recommendations and discuss the most effective mid-/long- term follow-up strategy;
- Share best practices within the country/region;
- Facilitate the discussion and development of an initial National Action Plan (NAP) by engaging relevant stakeholders;
- Support key-stakeholders with plans for future capacity, by means of trainings and consultations

Participants

The Independent Expert, together with the South African Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO) and the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, hosts this one-day Global Study Sub-regional Launch to which key stakeholders from all members of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) and African Union representatives as well as the Indian Ocean Island States have been invited to discuss and strategise the implementation of the Global Study recommendations and discussions around effective long-term follow-up. The event is open to participation from State representatives and other relevant stakeholders from the Southern African region to allow for an inclusive process. Participants include States, UN Agencies, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and academics.

08:00 Buses depart from Fortis Manor Hotel and Protea Hotel in Hatfield

08:30 – 09:00 Conference Registration

09:00 – 09:30

Opening by **Prof Stephanie Burton**, Vice Principal: Research and Post-Graduate Education, University of Pretoria and **High-Level Representative of the Government of South Africa**

09:30 – 10:15

Keynote Address by **Justice Albie Sachs**, Former Judge of the Constitutional Court of South Africa

10:15 – 11:00

Human Rights Watch video on the Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty
Presentation of the United Nations Global Study by Independent Expert, **Prof Manfred Nowak**

11:00 – 11:15 Health Break

11:15 – 12:00

Presentation of the African Region by **Prof Benyam Mezmur** and **Prof Ann Skelton**, Members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child

12:00 – 13:15

Statements of the SADC Government Representatives on the status and progress regarding deprivation of liberty of children within their respective countries and initial plans on implementing the Global Study recommendations

13:15 – 14:15 Lunch

14:15 Buses depart (HRDA Class of 2019 and Alumni for Xenophobia Event)

14:15 – 16:15

Parallel Breakout Sessions

16:15 – 16:30 Health Break

16:30 – 17:30

Reporting back to the Plenary by Rapporteurs

17:30 – 17:40

Terre des Hommes Child Participation video

17:40 – 18:00

Closing Plenary Session and Way Forward

18:00

Buses depart for Cocktail Dinner, 'Born Naked' Theatre Performance and Discussion at Brooklyn Theatre (*Greenlyn, Shop 21, Thomas Edison St, Menlo Park*)



Theatre Performance 'Born Naked'

Monday 9 December 2019 at 19:00

Brooklyn Theatre

Preceded by a Cocktail Dinner and Followed by a Discussion

All that Glitters: *Born Naked*

ZikkaZimba Productions in association with the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, present Hijinks Theatre's, *Born Naked*.

Under the careful direction of Kirsten Harris this dynamic young duo featuring Kopo Jake Nathane (Blaq Widow) and Lethabo Bereng (Queen Bling) bring this celebratory and challenging story to the stage.

The production tells the story of two young drag queens navigating their way through Johannesburg. *Born Naked* focuses on Blaq Widow's 'coming of age story' and her relationship with her drag mother, Queen Bling. It is a story about two young drag performers moving through glitzy, colourful and often violent spaces in South Africa, with particular reference to Johannesburg.

"Blaq Widow has just arrived back from Makhanda (formerly Grahamstown) and she is on the prowl... her venom is 15 times more powerful than that of the rattle snake. Brace yourselves for an unexpected visit from Blaq Widow's longtime friend and mentor, Queen Bling. Prepare to be assaulted by glitz, glamour, blinding colour and glitter. Get ready Pretoria because we have lip synching, heel wielding, pageant prancing slay kweens on offer. Blaq Widow is at the Brooklyn Theatre for one night only, rehearsing her new show *Born Mapunapuna...*"

This creative offering has been adapted and devised in response to Stephen Kotze's original text, with script assistance from Ameera Patel and Paul Rowlston.

Woven into our fictitious theatrical world, the play makes reference to the true story of Thapelo Makhutle, who was brutally murdered in a violent hate crime in 2012 in Kuruman in the Northern Cape.

Survivors and victims of horrific acts of hate crime in South Africa have inspired us to tell this story because more often than not, South Africans forget the names and faces of those who have suffered when media houses move on to the next news cycle. *Born Naked* is a celebration of our Queer Communities and challenges us to reinvent our collective memory of Thapelo. We hope that this play allows audiences to shift their memory from the brutal violence of Thapelo's death to one where the focus is on the contribution that they made to the world around them.

It is a departure point to create a critical conversation around human rights abuses and violations that queer communities are confronted with daily.

It is with deep gratitude to Victoria John who initially reported on the story on 28 June 2012 in the *Mail & Guardian*, because very few mainstream media had the courage to report the story.

Born Naked runs at 65 minutes.

Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria Graduation Ceremony

About the Centre for Human Rights Graduation Ceremony

In celebration of International Human Rights Day, the **Centre for Human Rights**, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria, annually hosts its Master's Degree Graduation Ceremony on 10 December.



Master's Programmes Welcoming Ceremony 2019

This year, the 20th cohort of students completing their Master's degrees in Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (HRDA) will graduate. Master's degree students on the following programmes presented by Centre for Human Rights will also graduate during the graduation ceremony: International Trade and Investment Law in Africa (TILA), Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (SRRA) and Multi-disciplinary Human Rights (MDHR). **Justice Zak Yacoob**, Former Judge of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, will on this occasion receive an honorary doctorate degree.

Tuesday 10 December 2019

Global Campus Assembly | Graduation Ceremony

Senate Hall | Aula, University of Pretoria

- 08:30 **Departure from Fortis Hotel Manor Hatfield**
(HRDA Partners and Global Campus Partners)
Hotel Reception
- 09:00 – 12:00 **Global Campus Assembly**
Organisational Meeting including Election of New Global Campus Council
Senate Hall, University of Pretoria
- 12:00 – 12:30 **Brown Bag Lunch**
(HRDA Partners and Global Campus Partners)
Rautenbach Hall (below the Aula, University of Pretoria)
- 12:30 – 13:30 **Graduation Class Photos**
(with HRDA Partners and Global Campus Partners)
Rautenbach Hall (below the Aula, University of Pretoria)
- 13:45 **ALL GUESTS MUST BE SEATED IN THE AULA**
- 14:00 – 15:00 **GRADUATION Part I: Formal Ceremony, with HRDA Partners in the Procession**
- 15:05 – 17:00 **GRADUATION Part II: Informal Ceremony**
- Programme Director: Dr Ashwanee Budoo**
Programme Manager, Master's Programme in Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (HRDA), Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria
- Scatterlings of Africa - Phezulu**
- Welcome**
Prof Elsabe Schoeman
Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria
- Dean's Prize for best essay on experience of HRDA student during the year**
Prof André Boraine
Outgoing Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria
- Remarks on behalf of HRDA Donors**
Her Excellency Ambassador Riina Kionka
Head of EU Delegation to the Republic of South Africa
Deputy Head of Mission, Minister Counsellor, Mr Jon-Åge Øyslebø
Royal Norwegian Embassy in Pretoria
His Excellency Ambassador Han Peters
Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in South Africa
- Click Song - Phezulu**
- Remarks on behalf of the Chair of the HRDA Council of Directors**
Prof Christopher Mbazira
Makerere University, Uganda
- Remarks on behalf of HRDA Class of 2019**
Ms Naa Diallo and Mr Godfrey Ayeranga

Vera Chirwa Award
Mr Tomiwa Ilori
HRDA Alumni Coordinator, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria

Introduction of the Social Responsibility Prize: TILA
Dr Oyeniya Abe
TILA Programme Manager, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria

Introduction of the Ubuntu Prize: HRDA
Dr Ashwane Budoo

Presentation of the Ubuntu Prize
Her Excellency Ambassador Riina Kionka
Head of EU Delegation to the Republic of South Africa

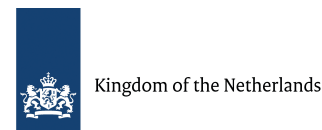
Prayer Medley - Phezulu

Announcement of Internships, Doctoral Scholarship and Word of Thanks
Prof Frans Viljoen
Director, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria

Refreshments will be served in the foyer after the completion of the informal ceremony

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Wednesday 11 December 2019

Global Campus Assembly | Global Campus Council

Senate Hall, University of Pretoria

- 08:30 **Bus departs from Fortis Manor Hotel in Hatfield**
(HRDA Partners and Global Campus Partners)
Hotel Reception
- 09:00 – 11:00 **Global Campus Assembly**
(HRDA Partners and Global Campus Partners)
Senate Hall, University of Pretoria
- 11:00 – 11:15 **Health Break**
- 11:30 – 12:30 **Tour of Javett Art Museum (1)**
(Non-Global Campus Council Members)
- 11:15 – 13:15 **Global Campus Council**
(Global Campus Council Members)
Senate Hall, University of Pretoria
- 13:15 – 14:15 **Tour of Javett Art Museum (2)**
(Global Campus Council Members)
- 13:30 – 15:00 **Lunch**
(Global Campus Partners and HRDA Partners)
Senate Hall Foyer, University of Pretoria
- 15:00 – 18:00 **Global Campus Academic Affairs Committee**
(Global Campus Academics)
Senate Hall, University of Pretoria
- 18:30 Buses depart for African Dinner from Fortis Manor Hotel in Hatfield
(HRDA Partners and Global Campus Partners)
- 19:00 – 21:00 **African Dinner**
(HRDA Partners, Global Campus Partners and Other Guests)
Prof Christof Heyns' Residence (17 The Ring, Lynnwood, Tshwane)
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Thursday 12 December 2019

Optional Excursion

- 09:00 – 16:00 **Optional Excursion (funded by Participants)**
(Global Campus Partners)
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