

**JUDICIAL COLLOQUIUM ON VICTIM AND WITNESS PROTECTION  
AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE  
1-3 August 2011, Uganda**

**Reporting: Sunday 31st July 2011; 5pm – Participants check-in at the hotel Bomah - Gulu**

**1 AUG 2011 DAY 1**

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08:30 -09:00	<b>REGISTRATION / TEA-COFFEE</b>
09:00-10-00	<b>OPENING SESSION</b>  Welcoming remarks/Chair  Hon. Justice Masalu Musene, Resident Judge, Gulu  REMARKS  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Mr. Owori Odoi Chris, Resident District Commissioner, Gulu</li><li>- H/W Asaf Ruhinda, Registrar, High Court of Uganda</li><li>- OHCHR Country Representative, Ms. Birgit Gerstenberg</li><li>- Hon. Justice J.W.N. Tsekooko, Chairperson, Judicial training Committee</li><li>- Hon. Justice Yorokamu Bamwine, Principal Judge, High Court of Uganda</li></ul> <b><u>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</u></b>  <b>HON. DEPUTY CHIEF JUSTICE OF UGANDA: HER LORDSHIP JUSTICE ALICE ELIZABETH MPAGI BAHIGEINE</b>
10:00-10:15	Photo Session/Tea Break
10:15-11:00	<b>THE UGANDAN CONTEXT ON VICTIM AND WITNESS PROTECTION – JUDICIARY – CHAIR, JUDICIARY</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Brief Presentation on existing legal framework on witness protection and status on witness protection bill, Mr. Frank Othembi, Secretary, ULRC</li><li>- Contextual analysis of risks inherent in the Ugandan TJ Context, Michael Otim, Director, International Centre for Transitional Justice</li><li>- Key issues and challenges in post-conflict Uganda – Ms. Jane Adong, Legal Officer, Women Initiative for Gender Justice</li></ul>

PROGRAMME

- 11:00 -11:30 OPEN DISCUSSION
- 11:30-13:00 **VICTIM AND WITNESS PROTECTION IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE: THE ROLES AND POWERS OF JUDGES – HON. JUSTICE Akiiki-Kiiza**
- Hon. Justice Bakone Moloto, **JUDGE, INTERNATIONAL AD HOC TRIBUNAL ON FORMER YUGOSLAVIA**
- 13.00-14.30 **LUNCH**
- 14:30-16:00 **JURISPRUDENCE AND COURTROOM MEASURES FOR THE INTERNATIONAL AD-HOC AND HYBRID TRIBUNALS FOR THE PROTECTION OF VICTIMS AND WITNESS - HON. JUSTICE YOROKAMU BAMWINE, PRINCIPAL JUDGE**
- Hon. Justice Ms. Julia Sebutinde, Judge, Special Court for Sierra Leone
  - Hon. Justice Ms. Elizabeth Nahamya, Deputy Head of the International Crimes Division, High Court of Uganda
- 16:00 –17:00 **OPEN DISCUSSION**
- CLOSING- DAY1**
- GUESTS INVITED TO A COCKTAIL RECEPTION AT 7.30PM**

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**2 AUG 2011 DAY-2**

- 9:00-10:00 **VICTIM AND WITNESS PROTECTION: THE ROLE AND POWERS OF PROSECUTORS AND INVESTIGATORS IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE – UGANDA POLICE**
- Mr. Richard Butera, Director of Public Prosecutions, Uganda
  - Mr. Richard Karegyesa, Chief of Prosecutions, ICTR
  - John Ralston, Former Chief Investigator, International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia; OHCHR Expert on Victims and Witness Protection
- 10.00-10.45 *Open discussion*
- Tea Break*

## PROGRAMME

11:00-12.00 **PRACTICAL EXERCISE 1 – IDENTIFICATION OF EXISTING PRACTICES FOR VICTIM AND WITNESS PROTECTION BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER TRIAL**

- Facilitator: John Ralston
- Working Groups Exercise

12:00-13.00 **OPEN DISCUSSION**

13.00-14.30 **LUNCH**

14.30-15.30 **SPECIAL PROTECTION AND ASSISTANCE MEASURES FOR PROTECTION OF VULNERABLE GROUPS – CHAIR: AKWERO JANE ODWONG, CHAIRPERSON, GREATER NORTH WOMEN’S VOICES FOR PEACE NETWORK**

- Saleem Vahidy, Chief, Victim and Witness Unit, Special Court for Sierra Leone
- Valentine Namakula, Executive Director, Centre for Justice Studies and Innovations, Makerere University

15.30-16.00 **OPEN DISCUSSION**

16.00-18.00 **PRACTICAL EXERCISE 2– IDENTIFICATION OF ESSENTIAL NEEDS ON VICTIM AND WITNESS PROTECTION BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER TRIAL (Issues continue from Practical Exercise 1)**

- Facilitator: John Ralston
- Working Groups Exercise
- Issues: Initial contacts, maintenance during investigation and pre-trial phase, risk and threat assessment discovery and disclosure, protective measures in the court room, pathways out of the judicial process.

**CLOSING- DAY 2**

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### **DAY THREE**

**3AUG 2011**

09.00- 10:30

**GUIDED DISCUSSION: SETTING UP VICTIM AND WITNESS PROTECTION PROGRAM WITHIN THE COURT: THE ROLE OF THE DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS (Discussions to continue from previous days presentations)**

- Facilitator: John Ralston

## PROGRAMME

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Working Groups Exercise</li><li>- Issues (necessary legal, policy and regulatory framework, practical protective measures, responsible parties and resource needs)</li></ul>
	Group Feedback
	Tea Break
	<b>DISCUSSIONS ON KEY ELEMENTS OF THE DRAFT ICD GUIDELINES ON VICTIM AND WITNESS PROTECTION</b>
10:30-11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Presenter: H.W. Tadeo Assimwe, Registrar of the ICD</li><li>- Discussion Chair: John Ralston</li></ul>
	<b>OPEN DISCUSSION</b>
11:00-11:30	
	<b>PRACTICAL EXERCISE 4 –AMEND AND ELABORATE ON THE ICD GUIDELINES INCLUDING RESPONSIBILITIES OF KEY ACTORS</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Facilitator: John Ralston</li><li>- Working Groups Exercise</li><li>- Issue ( to be identified later)</li></ul>
11:30-13:00	
	<b>LUNCH</b>
	<b>GROUP DISCUSSIONS</b>
	<b>-WAY FORWARD</b>
13:00-14.30	<b>-ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF JUSTICE ACTORS IN UGANDA</b>
	<b>-CONCLUSION</b>
14.30 – 16.00	<b>CLOSING REMARKS: Mr. Ojara Mapendusi, LC5 Chairperson, Gulu</b>

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