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HUMAN RIGHTS DAY CELEBRATION • 21 October 2010

Workshop on addressing customary law as a regional human rights issue: The protection of the girl child in domestic and regional courts

The Legal Resources Centre and the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria invite you to attend a workshop to mark the celebration of **Africa Human Rights Day**

Date: Thursday, 21 October 2010
Time: 15:00
Venue: Conference 100, Sanlam Conference Centre, Main campus, University of Pretoria

Participants include:

- Former Judge Yvonne Mokgoro
- Prof Michelo Hansungule (Commissioner of the International Commission of Jurists)
- Dr Benyam Mezmur (Member of the Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child)

The event will be followed at 18:00 by a cocktail reception.

Please RSVP by Friday 15 October 2010 to:

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Programme

15:00 - 15:10	Welcome	<i>Former Judge Yvonne Mokgoro</i>
15:10 - 15:30	Introduction to the African Regional Human Rights System and the significance of South Africa's involvement in the system	<i>Prof Frans Viljoen Director, Centre for Human Rights (CHR)</i>
15:30 - 15:45	Introduction to Charter on Democracy, Governance and Elections and relevance to customary law, traditional leaders and governance	<i>Prof Michelo Hansungule Co-drafter of the Charter Member of the ICJ & Professor (CHR)</i>
15:45 - 16:05	Discussion	
16:05 - 16:25	Litigation and the African Commission and/or Court	<i>Lloyd Kuvuya South African Litigation Centre</i>
16:25 - 16:45	Litigation and the Committee on the Rights of the Child	<i>Dr Benyam Mezmur Member of the Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child</i>
16:45 - 17:00	Introduction to the topic of addressing customary law as a regional human rights issue	<i>Legal Resources Centre (LRC)</i>
17:00 - 18:00	Discussion on customary law, women and children's rights and regional litigation/ using African instruments in South African domestic courts when arguing customary law issues	<i>Panel chaired by Thandi Orleyn (LRC) Karen Steffiszyn (CHR) Charlene May (LRC) Remember Miamingi (Save the Children UK) Dr Benyam Mezmur</i>
18:00 - 18:10	Closing remarks	