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**PROGRAMME**

**THE 26TH ANNUAL JUDGES’ CONFERENCE**

**3RD – 6TH FEBRUARY, 2025**

**MÉSTIL HOTEL & RESIDENCES, KAMPALA**

**CONFERENCE THEME**

**POSITIONING UGANDA’S JUDICIARY TO CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**MASTER OF CEREMONIES**

**THE CHIEF REGISTRAR – HER WORSHIP SARAH LANGA SIU**

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| **DAY ONE - MONDAY 3RD FEBRUARY, 2025** | | | |
| **TIME** | **PRESENTATION/ACTIVITY** | **RESPONSIBLE** | **CHAIR / MC** |
| 08:00 – 9:00 am | Arrival and registration of participants at the conference venue | Secretariat | |
| 9:00 – 9:30 am | 1. Prayer 2. The Role of a Judicial Officer in the Administration of Justice | Rev. Stephen Gaukroger – United Kingdom | PRO |
| 9:30 – 10:00 am | **HEALTH BREAK** | Accommodation and Meals Committee/Hotel | |
| **Presentations on Performance of the Courts in 2024** | | | |
| 10:00 – 10:30 am | The Supreme Court | Hon. Lady Justice Prof. Lillian Tibatemwa Ekirikubinza – Court Administrator | Hon. Justice Fredrick Martin Stephen Egonda-Ntende (JCOA) |
| 10:30 – 11:10 am | Court of Appeal/Constitutional Court | Hon. Justice Geoffrey Kiryabwire – Court Administrator |
| 11:10 – 11:40 am | **Joint Plenary** |  |
| 11:40 – 12:20 pm | High Court | Hon. Justice Dr.  Flavian Zeija –  Principal Judge | Hon. Justice Henrietta  Wolayo (JHC) |
| 12:20 – 1:00 pm | **Plenary** |  |
| 1:00 – 2:00 pm | **LUNCH BREAK** | Accommodation and Meals Committee/Hotel | |
| **TIME** | **PRESENTATION/ACTIVITY** | **RESPONSIBLE** | **CHAIR / MC** |
| 2:00 – 3:00 pm | Case and Performance Management in the Uganda Judiciary: Lessons Learnt from the Benchmarking Trip to the Judiciary of Tanzania | Hon. Justice Richard Buteera – Deputy Chief Justice | Hon. Justice Oscar Kihika  (JCOA) |
| 3:00 – 3:45 pm | **Plenary** | |
| 3:45 – 4:45 pm | Asset Recovery and Forfeiture as a Tool for Fighting Corruption | Dr. Patricia Achan Okiria - Deputy Inspector General of Government | Hon. Justice Andrew K. Bashaija (JHC) |
| 4:45 – 5:15 pm | **Plenary** | |
| 5:15 pm | **EVENING TEA AND END OF DAY ONE** | | |
| **DAY TWO - TUESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY, 2025** | | | |
| 8:00 – 9:00 am | Registration | Secretariat | |
| 9:00 – 10:00 am | **TEA** | Accommodation and Meals Committee/ Hotel | |
| **OPENING CEREMONY** | | | |
| 10:00 – 10:10 am | Anthems | Communication Committee | The Chief Registrar – Sarah Langa Siu |
| 10:10 – 10:25 | Prayers | 1. Hon. Justice Hellen Abulu Obura (JCOA) 2. Hon. Justice Naluzze Aisha Batala(JHC) |
| 10:25 – 10:35 am | Welcome Remarks by The Chairperson of the Judicial Training Institute (JTI) Governing Council | Hon. Justice Mike Chibita (JSC) |
| 10:35 – 10:55 am | Remarks by the Hon. Minister of Justice and Constitutional Affairs | Hon. Nobert Mao |
| 10:55 – 11:30 am | Address by The Hon. The Chief Justice of Uganda | Hon. Justice Alfonse Chigamoy Owiny-Dollo |
| 11:30 – 12:20 pm | Official Opening by the Guest of Honor | H.E General Yoweri Kaguta Museveni - President of the Republic of Uganda |
| 12:20 – 12:45 pm | **GROUP PHOTOS** | Communications Department | |
| 12:45 – 2:30 pm | **LUNCH BREAK** | Accommodation and Meals Committee/ Hotel | |
| **TIME** | **PRESENTATION/ACTIVITY** | **RESPONSIBLE** | **CHAIR / MC** |
| 2:30 – 3:30 pm | **Keynote Address** | Adv. Prof. Patrick Loch Otieno Lumumba – Prof. of Public Law, Former Director of Kenya School of Law | Hon. Justice Christopher Madrama (JSC) |
| 3:30 – 4:15 pm | **Plenary** | |
| 4:15 – 4:45 pm | Physical Exercises for a Healthier and Happier Life | Mr. Robert Ssebugwawo - Fitness and Preventive Health Expert | Hon. Justice Anna Mugenyi Bitature (JHC) |
| 4:45 – 5:00 pm | **Plenary** |  |
| 5:00 pm | **EVENING TEA AND END OF DAY TWO** | | |
| **DAY THREE - WEDNESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY, 2025** | | | |
| **TIME** | **PRESENTATION/ACTIVITY** | **RESPONSIBLE** | **CHAIR / MC** |
| 8:30 – 9:00 am | Registration | Secretariat | |
| 9:00 – 10:00 am | Mobilisation and Efficient Allocation of Resources: The Contribution of the Judiciary as a Catalyst for Social -Economic Development | Dr. Pius Bigirimana – Permanent Secretary/ Secretary to Judiciary | Hon. Justice Emokor Samuel (JHC) |
| 10:00 – 10:30 am | **Plenary** | |
| 10:30 – 11:00 am | **HEALTH BREAK** | Accommodation and Meals Committee/Hotel | |
| 11:00 – 12:15 pm | Unpacking Innovations for Effective ADR Mechanisms | Hon. Justice Richard Buteera – Deputy Chief Justice | Hon. Justice Stephen Mubiru (JHC) |
| 12:15 – 12:45 pm | **Plenary** | |
| 12:45 – 1:30 pm | Ergonomics: Environment, Health and Safety in a Work Place | Dr. Ruth Balemezi – Occupational Health & Safety Specialist | Hon. Justice David Matovu (JHC) |
| 1:30 – 2:00 pm | **Plenary** | |
| 2:00 – 3:00 pm | **LUNCH BREAK** | Accommodation and Meals Committee/Hotel | |
| **TIME** | **PRESENTATION/ACTIVITY** | **RESPONSIBLE** | **CHAIR / MC** |
| 3:00 – 5:00 pm | **Meetings**   1. Judges Meeting 2. Registrars Meeting | All Justices and Judges  All Registrars | The Hon. The Chief Justice  The Chief Registrar |
| 5:30 pm | **COCKTAIL WITH ENTERTAINMENT, TILL LATE** | | |
| **DAY FOUR - THURSDAY 6TH FEBRUARY, 2025** | | | |
| **TIME** | **PRESENTATION/ACTIVITY** | **RESPONSIBLE** | **CHAIR / MC** |
| 8:30 – 9:00 am | Registration | Secretariat | |
| 9:00 – 10:00 am | An Insight into Uganda’s Insurance Industry and its Operations | Alhaj Kaddunabbi Ibrahim Lubega – Chief Executive Officer, Insurance Regulatory Authority | Hon. Justice Moses Kazibwe (JCOA) |
| 10:00 – 10:30 am | **Plenary** | |
| 10:30 – 11:00 am | **HEALTH BREAK** | Accommodation and Meals Committee/ Hotel | |
| **TIME** | **PRESENTATION/ACTIVITY** | **RESPONSIBLE** | **CHAIR / MC** |
| 11:00 – 1:00 pm | **Panel Discussion** | | Hon. Justice Asa Mugenyi  (JCOA) |
| Perspectives on Uganda Judiciary’s Role in Socio and Economic Development | * Attorney General (30 mins) |
| * Director of Public Prosecutions (30 mins) |
| * Chairperson National Planning Authority (30 mins) |
| * Advocate Tibaijuka Kyozaire Ateenyi (30 mins) |
| 1:00 – 1:45 pm | **Plenary** | |
| 1:45 – 2:45 pm | **LUNCH BREAK** | Hotel | |
| **TIME** | **PRESENTATION/ACTIVITY** | **RESPONSIBLE** | **CHAIR / MC** |
| 2:45 – 3:30 pm | Mental Health Care for Judicial Officers | Ms. Susan Tashobya – Judiciary’s Counselor | Hon. Justice Byaruhanga Jesse Rugyema (JHC) |
| 3:30 – 3:50 pm | **Plenary** | |
| **OFFICIAL CLOSING CEREMONY** | | | |
| 3:50 – 4:10 pm | Presentation and Approval of the 26th Annual Judges Conference Resolutions and Recommendations | Rapporteur | Hon. Justice  Mike Chibita,  Chairperson, JTI  Governing  Council |
| 4:10 – 4:25 pm | Remarks by the Hon. The Chief Justice of Uganda | Hon. Justice Alfonse Chigamoy Owiny-Dollo |
| 4:25 – 5:00 pm | Official Closing Remarks | The Rt. Hon. Speaker of Parliament of Uganda |
| 5:00 pm | **EVENING TEA AND END OF THE CONFERENCE** | Accommodation and Meals Committee/Hotel | |