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TRAINING ON ENGAGEMENT WITH NATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS MECHANISMS

THE PROGRAMME

The overall objective of the training on National, Regional and International Human Rights Mechanisms is to provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of these human rights mechanisms and equip them with the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively engage with these mechanisms. The training will have 8 modules to be trained for a period of 10 weeks. Below are the modules for this course;

Module 1: Introduction to International Human Rights

This module serves as an introduction to the field of international human rights. Participants will gain an understanding of human rights concepts and principles, such as universality, indivisibility, and interdependence. They will also explore the international human rights framework, including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other key international human rights instruments. The module will cover the sources of international human rights law, including treaties, customary international law, and general principles.

Module 2: United Nations Human Rights Mechanisms

This module focuses on the United Nations human rights system and its relevance to human rights. Participants will learn about the various United Nations treaty bodies and their monitoring functions. They will also delve into the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) process, which involves the review of each UN member state's human rights record. Additionally, participants will explore complaint procedures and individual communications, which allow individuals and groups to submit complaints about human rights violations.

In this module, participants will also learn about the role and functions of special procedures within the United Nations system. Special procedures are independent human rights experts or groups who address specific thematic or country mandates. Participants will understand how to engage with special procedures, including submitting communications and participating in country visits.

Module 3: Regional and Sub-Regional Human Rights Systems

Module 3 focuses on regional and sub-regional human rights systems, with a particular emphasis on the African human rights system. Participants will learn about the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights. They will also explore the East African Community (EAC) and its human rights

mechanisms. Comparative analysis of regional systems will provide participants with a broader understanding of different approaches to human rights protection.

Module 4: National Human Rights System

This module is designed to provide participants with an in-depth understanding of the national human rights mechanisms and human rights institutions at national level. This module aims to equip participants, especially those involved in human rights work in Tanzania or participants from EAC member states, with knowledge about the specific national institutions, processes, and laws that contribute to the promotion and protection of human rights at the domestic level.

Module 5: Implementation of International and Regional Human Rights Standards

This module will equip participants about the implementation and enforcement of human rights standards at national level. Participants will learn more about the enforcement of human rights decision from regional courts and international human rights mechanisms. This module will also help participants to understand on how international human rights standards are incorporated into national legal frameworks. Participants will understand the reporting obligations of states regarding human rights treaties and the critical role of civil society in monitoring and advocating for human rights implementation at national level.

Module 6: Strengthening Advocacy and Engagement

This module aims to enhance participants' skills in human rights advocacy. It covers effective strategies for human rights advocacy at national, regional and international levels including engaging with media and public opinion. Participants will learn how to build collaborative partnerships and engage in networking activities to strengthen their human rights work all levels. The module will equip participants with practical tools and techniques for effective human rights advocacy, communication and engagement at all levels.

Module 7: Case Studies and Practical Exercises

Through the analysis of specific human rights cases and issues, participants will deepen their understanding of applying human rights principles and mechanisms to real-world situations. They will engage in drafting reports, shadow reports, and submissions, which are essential advocacy tools. The module will also include role-play exercises to provide participants with practical experience in applying their knowledge to realistic scenarios. This module will provide a room for participants to effectively interact with experienced human rights practitioners as well an opportunity to interact with officials from these mechanisms.

Module 8: Monitoring and Evaluation of Human Rights Efforts

The final module focuses on monitoring and documentation of human rights violations. Participants will learn about different methodologies for monitoring human rights, including documentation and data collection techniques. They will also explore the evaluation of human rights programs and interventions to assess their effectiveness.

MODE OF DELIVERY AND METHODOLOGY

This course will be delivered through an online platform inform of distance learning. This is purely human rights practical training to be delivered by human rights actioners who have been engaging with these mechanisms for many years. The course will use combination methods such as power points, cases, provision of reading materials, short videos; group and individual exercises aimed at understanding how best to access human rights systems.

OUR TRAINERS, RESEARCHERS AND CONSULTANTS

EAHRI team is composed of seasoned human rights lawyers & defenders, researchers, university researchers, medical practitioners, auditors, tax consultants, academia, policy and legal analyst, digital security specialist, and others who are conversant with relevant issue of human rights and CSOs management. EAHRI engages them based on specific activity solicited or to be procured depending on the area of their experts.

The training course is led by **Dr Clement Mashamba** and **Adv. Onesmo Olungurumwa** renowned human rights experts, with extensive teaching and practical experience on available human rights mechanisms at national, regional, and international levels. **Other External Trainers and Researchers are Dr. Shedrack Jaba, Githai Githuku, Yona Wanjala, Dr. Veronica Bichumi, Dr Miriam Matinda, Annemaria Mavunjina Mkalame, Dr Mzuri Issa and many more.** The institute uses human rights scholars and practitioners within and outside the region as trainers of these courses. Trainers will be engaged on the need basis as EAHRI pool of external trainers who have gained extensive and practical human rights expertise from various field of life such as CSOs/NGOs, Judiciary, Government, UN Human Rights Agencies, and academic institutions. EAHRI seeks to bring together academicians and practitioners to advance the culture of human rights in this sub-region.

AUDIENCE AND ELIGIBILITY

The training targets Human Rights NGOs, Law students, Legal professionals, Human Rights Defenders, Government officials, Judicial officers, Community Activists.

CERTIFICATION

Participants who successfully complete the training course will receive a certificate of participation from the Human Rights Institute.

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