

Water Is Life: Women's Human Rights in national and local water governance in Southern and Eastern Africa

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		Speakers	
12.00 – 12.50	Registration Welcome snacks and soft drinks		
12.50 – 1.00	Welcome	Australian Ambassador Suzanne McCourt	Christina Landsberg , Head of Development Cooperation, Australian Embassy Harare
1.00 – 1.15	Introducing the right to water for personal, domestic and livelihood needs - a human rights and gender issue	Professor Anne Hellum , Professor of Public and International Law, University of Oslo	Christina Landsberg
1.15 – 2.00	Keynote presentation: Tensions between cost efficiency and basic needs – how southern and east African constitutions address gender and the right to water	Professor Patricia Kameri Mbote , Professor of Law and Dean at the School of Law, University of Nairobi	Julie Stewart , Southern & Eastern Africa Regional Centre for Women's Law (SEARCWL-ZW)
2.00 – 2.15	Q&A		
2.15 – 2.45	Water governance in the Zimbabwean Constitution and the National Water Policy –are issues of the right to water and gender equality adequately covered?	Dr Ellen Sithole , Department of Procedural Law, University of Zimbabwe, and Commissioner and Deputy Chairperson, Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission; and Justice Moses Chinhengo , Member of the International	Belinda Chinowawa , Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights

		Commission of Jurists, co-drafter of the Zimbabwe Constitution	
2.45 – 3.00	Q&A		
3.00 – 3.20	Tea		
3.20– 3.45	The political economy of translating water and gender rights in the Constitution and the Water Policy into practice	Welshman Ncube , MDC & Legal practitioner	Reza Hossaini , UN Country Representative
3.45 – 4.00	Q&A		
4.00 – 4.30	Addressing the economic constraints to the right to water at a local level	Shangwa Mavesera , Town Clerk, Bindura Town Council; Loreen Mupasiri , Combined Harare Residents Association; Kudzai Chatiza , Director, Development Governance Institute	Nyarai Priscillah Mudzingo , Director, Urban Councils, Ministry of National Housing and Public Works
4.30 – 4.45	Q&A		
4.45 – 5.15	Concluding remarks	Elizabeth Lwanda ((SEARCWL-ZW), ; and Fadzai Mukonoweshuro , Development Consultant, Danish Embassy	Christina Landsberg
5.15 – 6.45	Drink and snacks		