



Asser Institute/Afronomicslaw Conference

Delocalised justice: The transnationalisation of corporate accountability for human rights violations originating in Africa

Final Programme

Day 1 – Thursday, 25 March 2021

Room opens / technical check (13:30-13:45 CET)

Opening – Antoine Duval (Asser Institute) & Misha Plagis (Asser Institute) (13:45 - 14:00 CET)

Panel 1 – Tracing cases (14:00-15:30 CET)

Chair: Titilayo Adebola (University of Aberdeen)

Discussant: Tshepo H. Mongalo (University of the Witwatersrand)

Panellists:

- Chukwuebuka Edum (University of Geneva/United Nations Economic Commission)
– *Too long, too much, yet not enough: Corporate Accountability and the Kiobel Case*
- Domale Dube Keys (University of California, Los Angeles) – *The Ogoni Struggle in U.S. Courts against Localization*
- Eve Dima (International Criminal Court) – *Corporate-induced human rights violations – A Kenyan jurisprudential analysis*
- Michael Elliot (RAID) – *Kalma v African Minerals Ltd: a study in law's relationship to violence and oppression*



Panel 2 – Structures of injustice (16:00 – 17:30 CET)

Chair: Misha Plagis (Asser Institute)

Discussant: Antoine Duval (Asser Institute)

Panellists:

- Adaeze Okoye (University of Brighton) – *The notion of corporate personality under international law, justice gaps and counter-hegemony*
- Bamidayé Assogba (Université Paris 8) – *Le PCN pour les Principes directeurs de l'OCDE : un dispositif de contrôle des anciennes colonies d'Afrique noire francophone.*
- Leslie Mendez (University of Notre Dame/ LDM Law), Simphiwe Sidu (University of Notre Dame), and Clare O'Hare (University of Notre Dame) – *Asymmetries in Corporate Accountability Framework for Human Rights Violations: An African Perspective*
- Temitayo Olarewaju (University of British Columbia) – *International law and land grabs in Africa: Hollowed hope of justice?*



Day 2 – Friday, 26 March 2021

Panel 3 – Local communities, transnational justice (14:00 – 15:30 CET)

Chair: Misha Plagis (Asser Institute)

Discussant: Elisa Novic (Avocats Sans Frontières)

Panellists:

- Rimdolmsom Jonathan Kabre (University of Pretoria) – *La participation pour les communautés locales africaines dans la ‘justice délocalisée’ : une chimère ?*
- Nicola Soekoe (University of the Witwatersrand/Mining Affected Communities United in Action) – “*A successful offloading of what has been a difficult asset*” : *ESG-inspired disinvestment and the communities left behind*
- Jindan-Karena Kaur Mann (University of Amsterdam) & Nicky Dianne Touw (Open University of the Netherlands) – *Relocalising conflict: Reimagining transitional justice in a globalized world*

Panel 4 – Re-imagining corporate responsibility (16:00 – 17:30 CET)

Chair: Olabisi Akinkugbe (Dalhousie University)

Discussant: Ibironke Odumosu-Ayanu (University of Saskatchewan)

Panellists:

- Isabel Ebert (University of St. Gallen/ Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights) & Kebene Kejela Wodajo (University of St. Gallen) – *Reimagining corporate responsibility for (in)justice in the digital ecosystem: A perspective from African ethics of duty*
- Richard Mike Mlambe (University of Malawi) – *International litigation and liability of multinationals operating in Africa: Crossing jurisdictional impediments*
- Thalia Kruger (University of Antwerp/ University of Cape Town) – *African court, foreign law?*

Closing – Next steps (17:30-17:45 CET)