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#### **Foreword**

By Markus Green Board Member, AGA-Africa Programme

"Dear Reader,

It is my pleasure to present to you the Second Edition of our Newsletter for the year 2023, covering the month of March. In this issue, we highlight the key events and activities that the Attorney General Alliance - Africa Programme (AGA-Africa) carried out, in collaboration with our various stakeholders towards tackling transnational organized crime and safeguarding the rule of law.

This month, the AGA-Africa Programme collaborated with Good Governance Africa (GGA) to organize a workshop on Transnational Organized Crime in Africa, which took place from 2nd - 3rd March, 2023 in South Africa. The workshop provided a platform for participants to enhance their knowledge and skills on the impact of transnational organized crime in Africa; and exchange tools and strategies on how to combat these crimes effectively.

The AGA-Africa Programme also collaborated with the Directorate of Public Prosecutions of Malawi on a highly engaging workshop on Asset Recovery, which was held from 9th - 10th March, 2023 in Malawi. The workshop provided participants with effective strategies for preparing and litigating forfeiture cases and emphasized their significance in the fight against financial crimes in Malawi.

Around the same time, the AGA-Africa Programme collaborated with the Basketball Africa League (BAL) during the third edition of the Basketball Africa League 2023, which was held from 11th - 21st March, 2023 in Dakar, Senegal. The Programme, as part of a panel discussion, shared knowledge on how to foster opportunities for women to fully participate and be visible across BAL operations.

The AGA-Africa Programme also collaborated with the Anti-Corruption Commission and National Prosecution Authority of Zambia to organize a workshop on Techniques in Asset Tracing and Recovery - Strategies and Tactics in Prosecutor Led Investigations and Non-Conviction-Based Forfeiture Application, which was held from 2st - 23rd March, 2023 in Zambia.

This workshop provided an opportunity to explore ways of enhancing Asset Tracing and Recovery in Zambia.

Towards the end of the month, the Programme participated in the 2023 Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Malawi Law Society (MLS), that was held from 24th - 26th March, 2023 in Malawi. The Conference sought to critically examine the law as a tool for socio-economic engineering in the context of the aspirations of all Malawians as described in the Preamble to the Constitution of the Republic of Malawi.

Lastly, the AGA-Africa Programme collaborated with the Nigeria Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (NIALS) and the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency (NESREA) to organize a 2-day workshop on The Rule of Law and Climate Justice, which was held from 27th - 28th March, 2023 in Nigeria. The workshop provided a platform for the participants to examine and understand the root cause of climate change, as well as, increase awareness and the capacity of law officers, environmentalists, and legal practitioners in Nigeria.

I would thus like to extend my gratitude to Chris Maroleng, Executive Director, Good Governance Africa; Masauko Edwin Chamkakala, Director of Public Prosecutions, Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs; Gilbert A. Phiri, SC, Director of Public Prosecution of the Republic of Zambia; Thom Trevor Shamakamba, Director General, Anti-Corruption Commission of Zambia; Patrick Gray Mpaka, President, Malawi Law Society; Prof Muhammed Tawfiq Ladan, Director General, NIALS; and Dr Aliyu Jauro, Director General, NESREA for supporting us during the month of March. We look forward to continued engagements.

I hope that you will find this edition informative and engaging!".

### Intensifying the Fight Against Money Laundering in Africa

Money Laundering is frequently linked with other transnational crimes such as Terrorism, Human Trafficking, Wildlife Trafficking and other global crimes. The weight of regulating investigating and prosecuting money laundering cases rests largely with Government law enforcement bodies and regulators.

Corruption is a global problem and African institutions have been weakened due to a number of factors such as political capture, structural adjustment programs and challenges in identifying, assessing and repatriating proceeds of corruption.

As corruption increases, its proceeds are used to penetrate institutions and create financial institutions conducive to money laundering, enabling illicit proceeds to reach the consumer market.

The process of freezing, confiscating and returning the stolen assets to their country of origin is usually a complex and lengthy one, involving multiple jurisdictions and often complicated by technical, legal or political barriers.<sup>1</sup>

Developing countries lose between USD\$20 to USD\$40 billion each year through bribery, misappropriation of funds and other corrupt practices. These criminal flows are a drain on social services and economic development programs, contributing to the further impoverishment of the world's poorest countries.<sup>2</sup>

Illegal profits destabilize governance, development and stability of nations across the globe.

Inter-agency cooperation and strategic engagement are necessary among government agencies to take charge in

their mandate to secure their countries and mitigate these threats.

Additionally, public accountability and governance must be part of the legal framework. Specialized support and training is crucial in order for countries in Africa to develop financial investigation curricula to promote a common understanding of financial investigations, dialogue and communication among the private sector institutions.<sup>3</sup>

Consistent trainings and capacity-building of law enforcement agencies to enhance their knowledge and skills related to the regulatory frameworks governing corruption, money laundering and counter-terrorism financing and asset recovery will go a long way in the transparency, accountability and integrity of these institutions.

#### **Money Laundering Cycle Dirty Money integrates into the** Collection of dirty money **PLACEMENT Financial System** LAYERING Payment by "Y" of false invoice to company "X" Transfer on the bank account of company "X" Loan to company "Y" **Purchase of Luxury Assets,** Financial Investments, **INTEGRATION** Commercial/Industrial Investments

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### Against the Backdrop of the James Webb Telescope - Hunger Consumes Large Swathes of the World



"As Nobel Peace Prize winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu aptly stated, our technological expertise should not surpass our moral capacity to use it for the good of humanity. We have the capability to feed everyone, but we often lack the moral and political will to do what is right."

By Otubea Asare

The book 'Enough' by Roger Thurow and Scott Kilman, published in 2009, thoroughly examined the erstwhile famine in the Horn of Africa and presented tools to prevent its recurrence. However, despite the provision of such tools, famine continues to loom in 2023, with Russia's war against Ukraine exacerbating this tragedy, in addition to ongoing conflicts and abysmal political leadership in the Region.

In contrast, the James Webb telescope, a powerful new self-extracting telescope that replaced the Hubble telescope last year, has showcased breathtaking pictures and images from eons ago, leaving the late Professor Stephen Hawking smiling somewhere in the universe. How do we then reconcile such stark contrasts: the reality of children dying due to lack of food during one of the most technologically advanced periods in human history? What will the James Webb telescope reveal about our era's moral dilemmas?

#### **Hunger is Spreading**

David Beasley, Executive Director of the World Food Programme (WFP), fears there will not be enough food for everyone in 2023. According to WPF, there are currently 10 countries suffering food emergencies in Africa, including northeastern Nigeria where 8.9 million people are food insecure, and in Kenya's rural areas where 29% of children are experiencing stunted growth due to lack of adequate food.

Beasley also highlights the drastic change in Ukraine, which went from being the world's largest breadbasket to experiencing a severe food shortage due to ongoing conflicts and war-related challenges. Even in the UK, where it would have been unthinkable in the past, some middle-class Englanders are now going hungry due to the unpredictability of post-pandemic life during times of war.

The issue of hunger has also taken root in countries like Romania and Bulgariadue to a ripple effect from Russia's war on Ukraine, which has resulted in higher energy costs. This has squeezed people's household budgets, affecting their fixed incomes, exacerbating the problem of hunger. In Asia, countries such as Sri Lanka are also grappling with rising food costs, forcing parents to keep their children out of school due to financial constraints. Many children are left hungry with only one meal a day, as documented in a report by BBC. <sup>2</sup>

In her January 2023 Time magazine article titled "We Can't Solve the World's Biggest Crises without Protecting Our Basic Needs," Saadia Zahidi aptly summarizes the urgency of addressing the issue of hunger. With multiple crises to address, ensuring access to food and water, which are basic human needs, should not be an impossibility.

Starvation, a slow and cruel death, is preventable and largely manmade, and intervention should have occurred earliIf the world can effectively prevent further catastrophes and redirect resources towards anticipating and recovering from natural disasters, there is a chance for survival. Otherwise, progress in other areas will stall as the world grapples with the far-reaching consequences of an expanding food crisis.

# Hunter Gatherers No More - Yet Despots Choke the Life Out of Human Beings

In the past, when food was scarce, people would migrate to more fertile lands to survive. Even today, prolonged food insecurity forces people to migrate while they still have the strength and health to do so, as no one wants to see their children suffer from hunger day by day.

This can result in climate refugees and internally displaced people, as well as external migration and instability as people seek to settle in new countries with strained resources. This could potentially lead to more conflict in the future.

Negotiating how to get food to starving populations may take time, but it is crucial to save lives. Similar to how sexual violence is used as a weapon of intimidation, prolonged food deprivation is also employed as a means of subjugation and control over vulnerable populations caught in difficult circumstances beyond their control.

To address this issue, the United Nations or a multinational global authority should be granted a special inviolable mandate to bypass obstructive leaders who contribute to starvation.

This mandate would require providing necessary food supplies by any means necessary, whether it be through helicopters, cargo planes, or fighter jets, to any part of the world facing starvation, regardless of political impasses.

This approach could help reduce starvation in regions such as Tigray, Haiti, Syria, Yemen, and other affected areas. It is unacceptable that some parts of the world cry for more children to be born while others starve to death.

# "There Is No Choice But to Act in Defense of Defenseless People" - Elie Wiesel

At a time of advanced nanotechnology and 3-D house printing, it is crucial that more research and funding be applied to food production technology.

This includes developing greener energy for farming equipment, affordable fertilizers, drought resilient and energy intensive crops among other unexplored options.

In his book, 'Of Africa,' Nigerian professor and Nobel laureate Wole Soyinka quotes humanitarian Nobel Peace Prize winner Elie Wiesel, who said of Darfur:

"And little or nothing significant is being done to stop these massive violations of human rights. Who is guilty? Those who commit these crimes. But to the question, 'Who is responsible,' we are compelled to say, "Aren't we all?" He is right, we are all responsible for ending starvation for these defenseless children and people anywhere in the world.

Due to the cacophony of competing interests, often driven by tyrants and despots whose own children are shielded from danger, moral arguments for ending starvation struggle to prevail.

In a world where we have achieved tremendous feats in engineering and space travel, it is unacceptable for another child to starve to death.

The unwillingness to eradicate starvation reflects a callous selfishness and complacency, as we indulge in our daily coffee and tea. We must put an end to starvation and find ways to buy each suffering child another day, regardless of the prevailing leadership.

Noble Peace Prize winner, Archbishop Desmond Tutu said "Sometimes our technological expertise has seemed to top our moral capacity to use this expertise for the good of humanity. We have a capacity to feed all and yet millions starve because we seem to lack the moral and political will to do what we know is right."

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- Elie Wiesel, Nobel Peace Prize Winner-

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#### **Newbytes**

#### Transnational Organised Crime in Africa Workshop, 1st - 2nd March, 2023, South Africa

Transnational organized crime (TOC) is one of Africa's most critical security challenges. From human trafficking for sexual exploitation to corruption; fraud and money laundering; and poaching of endangered wildlife species, transnational organized crime causes profound social, economic, political, and environmental damage. The African Continent experiences an annual loss of US\$88.6 billion in illicit financial flows linked to criminal activities and studies indicate that countries with high levels of organized crime often experience conflict or a form of insurrection, terrorist activity or civil unrest making it a direct threat to peace and security.

The 'Transnational Organised Crime in Africa' workshop brought together participants from regional law enforcement agencies, civil society organizations, researchers, community members and relevant private sector stakeholders such as the Ministry of Home Affairs, South Africa Police Services (SAPS), the Crime

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Chukurere Unamba-Oparah, AGA-Africa Programme Director and Country Coordinator for Kenya

Intelligence Division (CID), Directorate of Priority Crimes Investigations of the South African Police Services (DPCI), State Security Agency (SSA), National Prosecuting Authority(NPA), Institute for State Securities (ISS), Global Initiative for Fiscal Transparency (GIFT) and Southern African Development Community.

The workshop sought to build on prior collaborative engagements between AGA-Africa and GGA, including the recently held Africa's Girl Child and the Struggle for Health, Education, and Agency hybrid Conference on 11th October ,2022 and Countering The Illegal Wildlife Trading in Africa Conference held from 10th – 12th August, 2022.

**Chukurere Unamba-Oparah,** AGA-Africa Programme Director and Country Coordinator for Kenya officially opened the workshop emphasizing that, "Organised crime syndicates have established global networks, and coupled with advances in technology have almost unrestricted scope, making it difficult-



Chris Maroleng, Global Advisor and Executive Director, GGA Southern Africa

for law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute their crimes". He concluded by reminding the participants of their responsibility to ensure a safer and more prosperous future for our communities.

In his opening remarks, **Chris Maroleng,** Global Advisor and Executive Director, GGA Southern Africa thanked AGA-Africa for it's assistance in staging the workshop, and for supporting and anchoring GGA's work towards enhanced governance and accountability on the African Continent.

"Transnational organized crime poses a critical threat to Africa's security. GGA estimated that Africa lost USD88.6bn each year to illicit financial flows linked to human trafficking, corruption, money laundering and the illicit trade in endangered wildlife species, but the human suffering engendered by organized crime cannot not be quantified," he added.



Adv. Shamila Batohi, National Director of Public Prosecutions South Africa



L-R: Chris Maroleng, Global Advisor and Executive Director, GGA Southern Africa; Kim Robinson, AGA-Africa Country Coordinator for South Africa; Adv. Shamila Batohi, National Director of Public Prosecutions South Africa; Chukurere Unamba-Oparah, AGA-Africa Programme Director and Country Coordinator for Kenya; Dame Julie Okah-Donli, Chair Board of Trustees, United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund for Victims of Trafficking, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, and Robert Rose, Founder, Good Governance Africa

#### > Asset Recovery Workshop, 9th-10th March, 2023, Malawi

Asset recovery holds great promise as a tool to disrupt crimes. It has become one of the most important initiatives to deter the criminal activities plaguing the world. Malawi has adopted asset recovery as a measure for disrupting crime and has established a comprehensive legal framework on the recovery of proceeds of all crimes. This legal framework in the country provides for both conviction-based forfeiture (criminal forfeiture) and non-conviction -based forfeiture (civil forfeiture).

The 'Asset Recovery' workshop brought together lawyers and prosecutors from the Directorate of Public Prosecutions, as well as national, regional, and international subject matter experts from Kenya, Malawi and the United States.

The workshop's objective was for the participants to enhance their knowledge and skills in the preparation of applications for both Civil and Conviction-Based Forfeiture, as well as equip them with strategies for litigation of forfeiture cases. Speaking during the opening, **Gift Caroline Chikwakwa**, AGA-Africa Programme Country Coordinator for Malawi acknowledged that transnational organized crimes know no borders as shown by the inclusion of international, regional, and national viewpoints.

"This guides our work in various nations, as well as, the broad range of subject matter experts who give our discussions a more encompassing perspective. "Stakeholder

engagement has greatly been facilitated by this strategy, and we are proud to maintain this degree of involvement," she highlighted.

Hon. Thabo Chakaka Nyirenda, Attorney General of Malawi, delivered the keynote address noting that it is time to show the citizens of Malawi that crime does not pay.

"However, we must also be aware of the fact that criminals are highly intelligent and think ahead of us. Therefore, in order to effectively combat financial and economic crime, we need to constantly update our knowledge and skills to meaningfully address these crimes".



Hon. Thabo Chakaka Nyirenda, Attorney General of Malawi



Gift Caroline Chikwakwa, AGA-Africa Programme Country Coordinator for Malawi



Edwin Masauko Chamkakala, Director of Public Prosecutions -Malawi



A Group Photo of the AGA-Africa and GGA Representatives with the Workshop Participants

#### > Basketball Africa League, 11th - 21st March 2023, Senegal

AGA-Africa aims to create a positive environment for men and women in organizations by promoting respect and gender equality. In line with this, AGA-Africa supports the Basketball Africa League as an implementing partner in leveraging sports as an advocacy tool for social change.

AGA-Africa collaborated with BAL in the first-ever BAL luncheon in Senegal, which brought together African Youth Leaders, Non-Governmental Organizations, social entrepreneurs, influencers, and youth to engage in conversations on how best to promote economic empowerment and gender equality through sport. AGA-Africa, as part of a panel discussion, shared knowledge on how to foster opportunities

for women to fully participate and be visible across BAL operations. During the panel discussion, AGA-Africa further shared insights on using advocacy to empower young people, uplift communities, and foster development on the African continent.

During the opening, **Markus Green,** Board Member, AGA-Africa Programme highlighted that, "There is no greater opportunity than to empower young girls through sport. In order for us to get to a place where there is true gender parity in sports, it takes all of us from all different industries that is why AGA-Africa partners with the NBA/BAL to figure out ways to particularly empower young girls in sport".

"We are proud to have partnered with BAL in a new summit last year, we want to continue that work. We understand that in order for behavior to change we have to make sure we create pathways of opportunities," he added.

AGA-Africa also held a meeting with the CEO of NBA Africa to request for collaboration on an upcoming event that will host a group of 30 AGs from the US visiting South Africa in December 2023. As part of the event, AGA-Africa and the NBA will showcase their partnership in leveraging sports as an advocacy tool for gender equity, empowerment, prevention of Gender Based Violence (GBV), child safeguarding and combatting talent trafficking.



A Delegate Speaking at the BAL Luncheon



Markus Green, Board Member, AGA-Africa Programme speaking during the BAL Luncheon

#### > Techniques in Asset Tracing and Recovery Workshop, 21st-23rd March, 2023, Zambia

Numerous studies have shown that one of the reasons criminals commit crimes is to acquire wealth and power.

Therefore, in order to deter this criminal behavior, the criminal justice system needs to ensure that criminals are not only convicted but are also deprived of assets acquired through their criminal activities.

It is important to note that forfeiture of ill-acquired assets is extraordinarily complicated and requires a lot of time, money and specialized personnel to investigate and prosecute. The 'Techniques in Asset Tracing and Recovery' workshop, which brought together participants comprising prosecutors and investigators drawn from the National Prosecution Authority and the Anti-Corruption Commission as well as national, regional, and international subject matter experts from Zambia, Kenya, and the United States. It provided a platform for e best practices, tools, techniques and approaches needed in the forfeiture of proceeds of crime to be shared.

Speaking during the opening ceremony, **Dr Freda Brazle**, AGA-Africa Programme

Country Coordinator for Zambia highlighted that asset tracing and asset recovery is an essential aspect of the fight against economic crimes and money laundering because it stops the flow of illegal funds.

In his opening remarks, **Thom Trevor Shamakamba**, Director General of the Anti-Corruption Commission of Zambia, reminded the public, prosecutors, and investigators of the critical role of quality evidence. He noted that asset tracing is a crucial aspect that requires collection of evidence that can stand up under legal scrutiny and be admissible in court.



Thom Trevor Shamakamba, Director General of the Anti-Corruption Commission of Zambia



Dr Freda Brazle, AGA-Africa Programme Country Coordinator for Zambia



Dorcas Oduor, Secretary, Public Prosecutions and the Principal Deputy to the Director of Public Prosecutions, Kenya Presents a Certificate to a Participant



A Group Photo of the AGA-Africa and National Prosecution Authority of Zambia Representatives with Workshop Participants and Facilitators

#### > 2023 Annual General Meeting & Conference of the Malawi Law Society, 24th – 26th March 2023, Malawi

AGA-Africa participated in the '2023 Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Malawi Law Society (MLS),' where distinguished delegates, legal practitioners, judicial officers, academics and social commentators converged from 23rd - 26th March, 2023, in Mangochi, Malawi.

The three-day conference themed 'Beyond Rhetoric and Impunity; Law Governance and Economic Transformation' brought together delegates from Malawi, the United Kingdom and the United States. The AGA-Africa Programme brought in an international subject matter expert, **Jennifer Montgomery**, Human Rights Advocate

and Rotary International Peace Fellow, who facilitated a session titled: Comparative Regional Lessons from Africa on Law and Governance as a Catalyst for Development. **Gift Caroline Chikwakwa**, AGA-Africa Programme Country Coordinator for Malawi, also attended the conference.



, Jennifer Montgomery, Human Rights Advocate and Rotary International Peace Fellow



A Group Photo of the Participants During the Conference

#### > The Rule of Law and Climate Justice Workshop, 27TH -28TH March 2023, Nigeria

Nigeria has myriad legislation, regulations, and institutions with clear mandates to protect and safeguard the environment. However, environmental degradation and pollution remain an insurmountable challenge in Nigeria leading to the critical question of what steps can be taken to ensure effective enforcement of the climate change legislation.

The 'Rule of Law and Climate Justice' workshop brought together participants comprising officers from the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies and the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency, as well as national, regional, and international subject matter experts from Nigeria, South Africa, and the United States.

The workshop provided a platform for the participants to examine and understand the root cause of climate change, as well as, increase awareness and the capacity of law officers, environmentalists and legal practitioners in Nigeria.

At the opening, Ebelechukwu Enedah, AGA-Africa Programme Country Coordinator for Nigeria spoke on behalf of Markus Green, Board Member, AGA-Africa Programme noting that, "as a nation, Nigeria is already experiencing the negative impact of climate change, including flooding, erratic rainfall, desertification, and low agricultural yields.

This is having devastating effects on the livelihoods and well-being of millions of people across the country, particularly women and those living in poverty.

We must thus remember that climate change is not just an environmental issue, but a social, economic, and political issue as well; making it one of our greatest existential threats".

In his opening remarks, Prof. Muhammed Tawfiq Ladan, Director General, NIALS highlighted that there is need to adopt sustainable environmental practices in man's interaction with the environment as means of averting climate change.

He pointed out that economic development must not be to the detriment of the environment highlighting the role of regulations and legislation in the efforts to mitigate the impact of climate change in Nigeria.



Prof. Muhammed Tawfiq Ladan, Director General, NIALS



Ebelechukwu Enedah, AGA-Africa Programme Country Coordinator for Nigeria



Dr. Aliyu Jauro, Director General of the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency, NESREA



A Group Photo of the AGA-Africa NIALS & NESREA Representatives with Workshop Participants and Facilitators

#### > AGA-Africa Donates Law & Democracy Books to National Prosecution Authority, 27th March 2023, Zambia

To continue strengthening AGA-Africa's longstanding partnership in tackling transnational organised crimes, the AGA-Africa handed over \$70,000 of legal books and supplements to the National Prosecution Authority from Books of Africa in partnership with the Thomson Reuters Foundation

The legal books contained vital jurisprudence, judgments and other important legal documents, representing a wealth of knowledge to enable Zambia's prosecutors to uphold justice, the rule of law, fairness and equality. Speaking during the handover ceremony The AGA-Africa Country Coordinator, for Zambia **Dr. Freda Mwamba Brazle** noted that:

"The gifting of these books is part of AGA-Africa's larger effort to support continuous learning and capacity building within the criminal justice sector in countries in Africa towards the effective tackling of transnational organised crimes".

She added that AGA-Africa has also gifted legal books and supplements to Kenya, Malawi and Nigeria.

"It is our aim to continue the provision of these books to our other partner countries - Ghana, Senegal, Seychelles, South Africa, Rwanda, and Uganda".

During the handover ceremony, the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) **Mr. Gilbert A. Phiri S.C,** said that he was

grateful for the donation and commended AGA- Africa for the long standing partnership with the NPA, which has provided a platform for training programmes and exchange of knowledge.

The DPP stated that the reference materials will assist the NPA in enhancing its prosecutorial capabilities in order to hold perpetrators of crime accountable.

Dr. Brazle, urged the NPA team members accepting the donated resources to take a keen interest and engage NPA staff with the books in order to continue to enhance their capabilities and better serve the people of Zambia.



Mr. Gilbert A. Phiri S.C, Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) , Zambia



The AGA-Africa Zambia Country Coordinator, Dr. Freda Mwamba Brazle Handing Over the Books to Mr. Gilbert A. Phiri S.C, Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), Zambia



Law & Democracy Books Donated to NPA Zambia



A Group Photo of the AGA-Africa and NPA Representatives during the Books Handover

#### **Thank You**

A big thank you to the facilitators of the month;

#### > Transnational Organised Crime in Africa Workshop, South Africa

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Godfrey Oyugi, Assistant Director, Directorate of Investigations, Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission

Dzikodianthu Malunda, Senior Assistant Chief State Advocate, Directorate Public Prosecutions, Malawi

**Gabriel Chembezi,** Senior Assistant Chief State Advocate, Directorate Public Prosecutions, Malawi

Andrew Salamba, Senior Assistant Chief Advocate, Directorate of Public Prosecutions of Malawi

Edwin Mtonga, Legal Counsel, Financial Intelligence Authority, Malawi

Clement Maulidi, Senior Advocate, Attorney General's Chambers, Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs

**Hon. Thabo Nyirenda,** Attorney General of Malawi and Jacob Nyambiri, Principal Paralegal Officer, Directorate of Public Prosecutions, Malawi

#### > Asset Recovery Workshop, Malawi

Peter Spaw, Head of Asset Recovery Bureau, Maricopa County, Arizona Attorney's Office

Jennifer Montgomery, Human Rights Advocate, Rotary International Peace Fellow

Dorcas Oduor, Secretary, Public Prosecutions, Director Public Prosecutions, Kenya

Margaret Chitundu, Deputy Chief State Advocate & Head of the Asset Forfeiture Department, NPA-Zambia

Gracilia Mulenga, Principal State Advocate, Taxation and Financial Crimes Department, NPA-Zambia

Rhoda Malibata-Jackson, State Advocate, Economic and Financial Crimes Department, NPA-Zambia

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Friday Tembo, Assistant Director, Anti-Corruption Commission, Zambia

Chita Chibesakunda, Cybersecurity Technologist, Zambia Information and Communications Technology Authority.

#### > 2023 Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Malawi Law Society (MLS), Malawi

Hon. Thabo Chakaka Nyirenda, Attorney General Republic of Malawi

**Professor Blessings Chisinga**, Professor, Department of Political and Administrative Studies, University of Malawi

**Professor Garton Kamchedzera,** Associate Professor of Law and Legal Development Consultant, University of Malawi

**Justin Dzonzi,** Senior Partner, Kainja and Dzonzi

Peter Tsabola, Research Fellow, Center for Transnational Environmental Accountability

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Professor Mwiza Nkhata, Principal Legal Officer, African Court on Human Rights and People's Rights, Tanzania

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**Andrew Mdala,** Senior Associate, Mackenzie & Patricks Associates

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**Theresa Chome**, Lecturer, University of Malawi.

#### > Rule of Law and Climate Justice Workshop, Nigeria

Michael Myers, Senior Counsel, New York Attorney General's Office

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### **Upcoming Events - April 2023**

APRIL	
<b>KENYA</b> 3rd – 5th	3rd Regional Symposium on Greening the Judiciary – Judiciary of Kenya
SIERRA LEONE 17th – 19th	For the Fostering of Peaceful, Credible and Inclusive Elections in Sierra Leone Training – Judiciary of Sierra Leone
RWANDA 19th - 20th	Cryptocurrencies and Trade-Based Money Laundering– Institute for Legal Practice and Development (ILPD)
GHANA 20th - 21st	Whole of Community Approach in Countering Narcotic Drug and Human Trafficking– Ghana Police
NIGERIA 25th- 26th	Combatting Menace of Substandard and Falsified Medical Products - National Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria (PSN)
<b>KENYA</b> 26th – 3rd May	Benchmarking Exercise to the US – Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions
<b>EGYPT</b> 26th – 6th May	Basketball Africa League - National Basketball Association.



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