



FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Fostering Greater National and Regional Economic Opportunity in Africa through Human Rights and Financial Transparency

May 18-20

**Council Chambers, Madibeng Building | University of Johannesburg
Kingsway and University Rds, Auckland Park | South Africa**

Day 1—May 18

13:30-14:00 Registration

14:00-14:15 Welcome Remarks

Renate Tenbusch, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Johannesburg; Christine Clough, Global Financial Integrity

14:15-14:45 Keynote Remarks – How are Human Rights and Financial Transparency Connected?

Thomas Pogge, Yale University

14:45-16:15 Session I – What are the Long-Term Human Rights and Development Consequences of Financial Opacity?

Tendai Murisa, Trust Africa (Moderator); Raymond Baker, Global Financial Integrity; Brian Ashely, Alternate Information and Development Centre; Siphosami Malunga, Open Society Initiative for Southern Africa

16:15-16:45 BREAK

16:45-18:15 Session II – Human Rights, Financial Integrity, and Economic Opportunity in Africa: Where do we stand?

Robin Palmer, Institute for Professional Legal Training/ University of KwaZulu-Natal (Moderator); Savior Mwambwa, Tax Justice Network Africa; Serges Djoyou Kamga, Thabo Mbeki African Leadership Institute

19:00-21:00 RECEPTION

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Day 2—May 19

09:30-10:45 Session III – A Wealth of Natural Resources: Can financial transparency stave off human rights abuses and the resource curse?

Edward Cropley, Thomson Reuters (Moderator); Adriano Nuvunga, International Budget Partnership; Silas Olang, Natural Resource Governance Institute; Claude Kabemba, Southern Africa Resource Watch

10:45-11:15 BREAK

11:15-12:30 Session IV – The Business of Conflict: Does the global shadow financial system fuel and support Africa’s violent conflicts?

Mojanku Gumbi, African Bank Investments Ltd. (Moderator); Shauna Leven, Global Witness; Rafael Marques de Morais, Maka Angola

12:30-13:30 LUNCH

13:30-15:00 Session V – From Millennium to Sustainable Development Goals: Is transparency the key to unlocking our human potential?

Amol Mehra, International Corporate Accountability Roundtable (moderator); Cecilia Njenga, UN Environmental Program; Hubert Schillinger, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Geneva; Ivor Chipkin, Public Affairs Research Institute

15:00-15:30 BREAK

16:00-17:30 Strategic Breakout Sessions

Strategy I – How do we Strengthen the Concept of Economic Rights as Human Rights?

Chair: Thomas Pogge, Yale University

Strategy II – How do we Strengthen the Legal Framework for Linking Financial Transparency and Human Rights?

Chair: Shirley Pouget, International Bar Association’s Human Rights Institute

Strategy III – How do we Apply the Linkages to Policies Aimed at Promoting Human Rights and Curtailing Illicit Flows?

Chair: Raymond Baker, Global Financial Integrity

17:30-18:00 Reports from Breakout Sessions

18:00-18:30 Wrap-up Discussion

Raymond Baker, Global Financial Integrity

Day 3—May 20

08:30-11:00 Establishing a Virtual “New Haven” Network for Africa

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