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BACKGROUND

The Africa Regional Workshop will be the second of two regional workshops, the first of which was tailored for the Asia-Pacific region, aiming to raise awareness of modern slavery and develop networks of legislators committed to tackling modern slavery across the Commonwealth and beyond.

The Africa Regional Workshop will take place in Entebbe, Uganda 4 - 6 July 2017. Parliamentarians from across the Africa region have been invited to attend the three-day workshop focusing on domestic, regional and international modern slavery issues and highlighting the benefits of analysing and/or introducing robust modern slavery legislation in their own jurisdictions.

The workshop will incorporate contributions from key international stakeholders, including UK parliamentarians with relevant experience from the passage of the UK Modern Slavery Act 2015 and a range of civil society organisations, to proliferate best practice in the development of modern slavery legislation.

Alongside the main programme the workshop will also include separate consultation meetings and engagement sessions. The workshop aims to not only increase awareness of modern slavery and related issues but also to achieve commitments with partner parliaments as well as individual parliamentarians to champion the issue in their own jurisdictions. The workshop will serve as a catalyst for future work within the wider project.



AIMS & OBJECTIVES

AIM

To increase awareness of all areas of modern slavery that then may be utilised to build networks across the region to support the development of modern slavery legislation in individual jurisdictions whilst developing groups of informed and empowered parliamentarians and officials with the confidence and ability to take the lead on legislative reform.

OBJECTIVES

1. Proliferate knowledge of modern slavery and related issues between UK parliamentarians and parliamentarians from across the Africa region, agreeing on a definition for the term.
2. Share good practice between parliaments to contribute to the process of modern slavery legislative analysis and development.
3. Build networks of informed and passionate parliamentarians with a commitment to developing modern slavery legislation.
4. Secure commitments from partner parliaments in how best to take outcomes forward after they return home.

Modern Slavery: in numbers

The number of people living in modern slavery today is estimated to be around

45.8 Million

Forms of modern slavery identified in Sub-Saharan Africa include:

forced labour in the fishing industry;



the recruitment of child soldiers;



and commercial sexual exploitation.



1,243,400

victims of slavery in **Europe**



30,435,300

victims of slavery in **Asia-Pacific Region**



2,809,700

victims of slavery in **Russia and Eurasia**



6,245,800

victims of slavery in **Sub-Saharan Africa**



2,168,600

victims of slavery in the **Americas**



2,936,800

victims of slavery in **North Africa and the Middle East**



The Global Slavery Index found that **Sub-Saharan Africa** has the largest share of child trafficking in the world.

In some cases, children are bought by traffickers for as little as \$20 and sold on for \$350

MODERN SLAVERY PROJECT

The CPA UK Modern Slavery Project is a two year multilateral project providing practical advice and support to Commonwealth legislatures in the pursuit of combating modern slavery. The project aims to encourage and facilitate a greater understanding of the national and international benefits of introducing robust modern slavery legislation by highlighting the value and subsequent lessons learnt from the passing of the UK Modern Slavery Act 2015.

The project will be led by Commonwealth parliamentarians and senior officials, sharing good practice to support colleagues in harnessing this heightened understanding to develop and strengthen modern slavery legislation across Commonwealth jurisdictions. CPA UK will draw on UK parliamentarians who possess relevant experience from debating and passing the landmark UK Modern Slavery Act 2015 to share their knowledge. Throughout the project CPA UK will be forming close partnerships with international parliaments, local and international NGOs and experts in the field in order to pool expertise to best inform and achieve the development, enactment and strengthening of modern slavery legislation across the Commonwealth and beyond.

The project is funded jointly by the UK Government through the Home Office's International Modern Slavery Fund and by CPA UK. CPA UK has a long history of working with parliamentarians, both within the UK and from across the Commonwealth and beyond, and has a longstanding reputation for delivering effective parliamentary programmes on a range of pertinent issues.



DELEGATE LIST

Ghana: Hon. Moses Anim MP
Ghana: Hon. Frank Annor Dompok MP
Ghana: Hon. Bernice Heloo Adiku MP
Ghana: Hon. Laadi Ayii Ayamba MP
Ghana: Hon. Nana Ayew Afriyie MP
Ghana: Hon. Pokuah Queenstar Sawyerr MP
Ghana: Hon. Abena Durowaa Mensa MP
Ghana: Hon. Mavis Nkansah-Boadu MP
Ghana: Sheba Osei
Kenya: Hon. Elijah Memusi MP
Kenya: Hon. John Serut MP
Kenya: Moses Mpsili Lemuna
Malawi: Hon. Davie Dalirani Kadzinja MP
Malawi: Hon. Grant Ndecha MP
Malawi: Hon. Christopher Mzomera Ngwira MP
Malawi: Hon. Kayo Zinchetera MP
Malawi: Lawson Lackson Chitseko
Malawi: Siphwiwe Komwa
Mozambique: Hon. Edson Macuãcua MP
Mozambique: Hon. Isequiel Molde Gusse MP
Mozambique: Manuel Uache Bembele
Nigeria: Hon. Ibrahim Dutse Abdullahi MNA
Nigeria: Hon. Ayokunle Ibrahim Isiaka MNA
Nigeria: Hon. Abdulrahman Abubakar Shuaibu MNA
Nigeria: Sen. Binta Garba Masi Chukwu
Nigeria: Sen. Rose Oko
Nigeria: Sen. Monsurat Jumoke Aduke Sunmonu
Nigeria: Hon. Samuel Okon Ikon MNA
Nigeria: Sen. David Umaru
Nigeria: Rakiyat A. Abdullatif
Nigeria: Mas'udu Male
Nigeria: Dr Hakeem Baba-Ahmed
Nigeria: Fatima Mohammed Kakuri
Uganda: Hon. Chris Baryomunsi MP
Uganda: Hon. Margaret Komuhangi MP
Uganda: Hon. Jovah Kamateeka Karamagi MP
Uganda: Hon. Herbert Edmund O. Ariko MP
Uganda: Hon. Lucy Achiro Otim MP
Uganda: Hon. Joy Atim Ongom MP
Uganda: Hon. Agnes Kunihira MP
Uganda: Esther Nadunga
Uganda: Moses Akena
United Kingdom: Dr Roberta Blackman-Woods MP
United Kingdom: Ash Denham MSP
United Kingdom: Professor Baroness Lola Young of Hornsey OBE

DELEGATE BIOGRAPHIES

GHANA
Hon. Moses Anim MP

Constituency: Tro-Bu
Political Party: New Patriotic Party

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2013



Political/Parliamentary Career: Deputy Majority Whip, Member Energy Committee.

Prior Career: Biochemist & Project Mangement.

GHANA
Hon. Frank Annor Dompseh MP
Chair, Mines & Energy; Road & Transport

Constituency: Nsawam-Adoagyi
Political Party: New Patriotic Party

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2013



Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A

GHANA
Hon. Bernice Heloo Adiku MP

Constituency: Hohoe
Political Party: National Democratic Congress

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2013



Political/Parliamentary Career: Deputy Minister.

Prior Career: Development Consultant.

GHANA

Hon. Laadi Ayii Ayamba MP

Constituency: Pusiga

Political Party: National Democratic Congress

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party

First Elected/Appointed: 2013

Political/Parliamentary Career: Ranking Member, Committee on Gender.

Prior Career: Educationist



GHANA

Hon. Nana Ayew Afriyie MP

Constituency: Effiduase-Asokor

Political Party: New Patriotic Party

Govt/Opp: Governing Party

First Elected/Appointed: 2017

Political/Parliamentary Career: Health Committee & Environment Committee.

Prior Career: Public Health Economist.



GHANA

Hon. Pokuah Queenstar Sawyerr MP

Constituency: Agona East

Political Party: National Democratic Congress

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party

First Elected/Appointed: 2009

Political/Parliamentary Career: Deputy Ranking Member, Members Holding Office.

Prior Career: Business Woman.



GHANA

Hon. Abena Durowaa Mensa MP

Constituency: Assin North
Political Party: New Patriotic Party

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2017

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



GHANA

Hon. Mavis Nkansah-Boadu MP
Member, Public Accounts Committee

Constituency: Afigya Sekyere East
Political Party: New Patriotic Party

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2017

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: Business Administrator.



GHANA

Sheba Osei
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: Clerk to Committee on Gender.

Prior Career: N/A



KENYA

Hon. Elijah Memusi MP

Constituency: Kajaiido Central
Political Party: Orange Democratic Movement

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: N/A

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member, Defence & Foreign Affairs Committee.

Prior Career: Businessman



KENYA

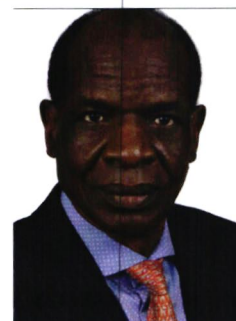
Hon. John Serut MP

Constituency: Mt. Elgon
Political Party: Independent

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: 1997

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member, Committee on Labour & Social Welfare.

Prior Career: N/A



KENYA

Moses Mpsili Lemuna
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



MALAWI

Hon. Davie Dalirani Kadzinja MP

Constituency: Blantyre Bangwe Constituency Govt/Opp: Governing Party
Political Party: Democratic Progressive Party First Elected/Appointed: 2014

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member, Public Accounts Committee; Member, Social and Community Affairs Committee.

Prior Career: Businessman.



MALAWI

Hon. Grant Ndecha MP

Constituency: Machinga South Constituency Govt/Opp: Governing Party
Political Party: United Democratic Front First Elected/Appointed: 2017

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member, Legal Affairs Committee; Member, Budget & Finance Committee.

Prior Career: Teacher; Farmer



MALAWI

Hon. Christopher Mzomera Ngwira MP
Chair, Privileges Committee

Constituency: Mzimba Hora Constituency Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
Political Party: People's Party First Elected/Appointed: 2009

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member, Legal Affairs Committee; Deputy Vice President for Northern Region from 2009 - 2016.

Prior Career: Professional Teacher & Discipleship (1994 - 2008).



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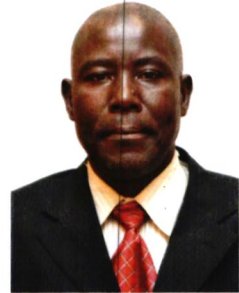
Hon. Kayo Kinchetera MP

Constituency: Mchinji East Constituency
Political Party: Malawi Congress Party

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2017

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member, Legal Affairs Committee; Member, Social and Community Affairs; Party District Secretary.

Prior Career: N/A



MALAWI

Lawson Lackson Chitseko
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: Table Clerk, Scrutinising of Bills, and providing guidance on Parliamentary Practice and Procedure.

Prior Career: N/A



MALAWI

Siphiwe Komwa
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: Assessing Human Trafficking in Malawi; Border Scrutny in Malawi for Immigration; Promoting of Constitutionalism in Malawi; Scrutnising Parliament Bills before passing into law.

Prior Career: N/A



MOZAMBIQUE

Hon. Edson Macuãcua MP
Chair, Committee on Constitutional Affairs, Human Rights and Legality

Constituency: Gaza Provincy
Political Party: FRELIMO

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2005

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: Counselor of the Head of State; Lawyer; University Teacher; Secondary School Teacher.



MOZAMBIQUE

Hon. Isekiel Molde Gusse MP
Rappourter, Committee on Constitutional Affairs, Human Rights and Legality

Constituency: Zambézia Province
Political Party: RENAMO

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2015

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member of the National Election Commission: 2002-2013.

Prior Career: Lawyer; University teacher.

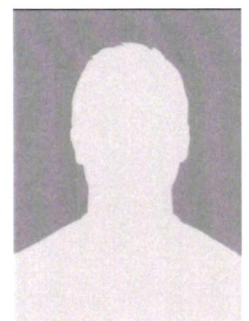


MOZAMBIQUE

Manuel Uache Bembele
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: Head of the Secretariat of Committee on Constitutional Affairs, Human Rights and Legality.

Prior Career: Lawyer; Librarian.



NIGERIA

Hon. Ibrahim Dutse Abdullahi MNA

Constituency: N/A
Political Party: All Progressive Congress

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: N/A

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA

Hon. Ayokunle Ibrahim Isiaka MNA

Constituency: N/A
Political Party: All Progressive Congress

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: N/A

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA

Hon. Abdulrahman Abubakar Shuaibu MNA

Constituency: N/A
Political Party: All Progressive Congress

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: N/A

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA

Sen. Binta Garba Masi Chukwu
Chairman, Senate Committee on Woman Affairs

Constituency: Adamawa North
Political Party: All Progressive Congress

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 1999

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA

Sen. Rose Oko

Constituency: Cross River North
Political Party: People's Democratic Party (PDP)

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2015

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA

Sen. Monsurat Jumoke Aduke Sunmonu
Chair, Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs

Constituency: N/A
Political Party: All Progressive Congress

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: N/A

Political/Parliamentary Career: Speaker, Oyo State House of Assembly.

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA

Hon. Samuel Okon Ikon MNA
Chair, House Committee on Inter-Parliamentary Relations

Constituency: Etinan/Nsit Ibom/Nsit Ubium
Political Party: People's Democratic Party (PDP)

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: N/A

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member of Parliament- 2015 till Date; Hon. Speaker to Akwa Ibom State House of Assembly -2011-2015; Honourable Member representing Etinan State; Constituency (Akwa Ibom State)- 2007-2011.

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA

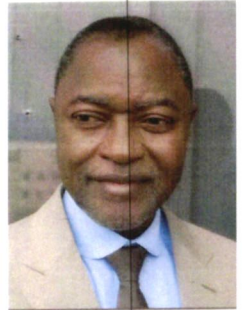
Sen. David Umaru
Chair, Senate Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters

Constituency: N/A
Political Party: All Progressive Party

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: N/A

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA

Rakiyat A. Abdullatif
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

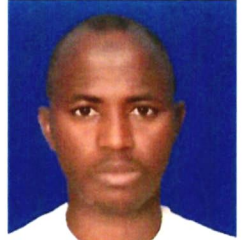
Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA
Mas'udu Male
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

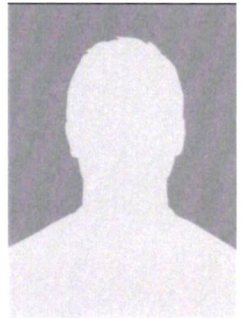
Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA
Dr Hakeem Baba-Ahmed
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



NIGERIA
Fatima Mohammed Kakuri
Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



UGANDA

Hon. Chris Baryomunsi MP
Minister of State, Housing and Urban Development

Constituency: Kinkizi East
Political Party: National Resistance Movement

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2011

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member of Parliament 2011 to date; Minister of Health, General Duties 2015-2016.

Prior Career: Medical Officer, Mulago Hospital (1995 - 1998); Reproductive Health Advisor, UNFPA (2002- 2006); Lecturer Makerere University.



UGANDA

Hon. Margaret Komuhangi MP
Chair, Committee on Gender, Labour and Social Development

Constituency: Nakasongola District
Political Party: National Resistance Movement

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2011

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member Budget Committee.

Prior Career: N/A



UGANDA

Hon. Jovah Kamateeka Karamagi MP
Chair, Human Rights Committee

Constituency: Mitooma District
Political Party: National Resistance Movement

Govt/Opp: Governing Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2011

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member Committee on Finance; Member Parliamentary Forum for Children; Member African Women Ministers and Parliamentarians on Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health; Member Committee on Legal and Parliamentary Affairs (2012 - 2015); Member Budget Committee (2012 - 2015); Attended CPA conference on Modern Slavery in London, January 2017.

Prior Career: Under Secretary - Uganda Law Reform Commission (2002 - 2010).



UGANDA

Hon. Herbert Edmund O. Ariko MP
Shadow Minister for Public Service and Presidency

Constituency: Soroti Municipality
Political Party: Forum for Democratic Change

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2016

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member Committee on Natural Resources; Member Committee on National Economy.

Prior Career: Assistant Director -Human Resource, Principal Human Resource Officer, Senior Human Resource Officer - Parliament of Uganda; Senior Personnel Officer - Public Service Commission; Personnel Officer - Ministry of Public Service.



UGANDA

Hon. Lucy Achiro Otim MP

Constituency: Aruu North County
Political Party: Independent

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2016

Political/Parliamentary Career: Member Human Rights Committee; Member, Committee on Gender, Labour and Social Development.

Prior Career: Gender specialist in women empowerment/child protection.



UGANDA

Hon. Joy Atim Ongom MP

Constituency: Lira District
Political Party: Uganda People's Congress

Govt/Opp: Opposition Party
First Elected/Appointed: 2011

Political/Parliamentary Career: Executive Secretary, Uganda Women Parliamentary Association; Member, Human Rights Committee (2011 - 2016).

Prior Career: Managing Director.



UGANDA

Hon. Agnes Kunihira MP

Constituency: Workers Representative

Govt/Opp: Governing Party

Political Party: National Resistance Movement

First Elected/Appointed: 2016



Political/Parliamentary Career: Woman Leader, National Organisation of Trade Unions; Trade Educator - ITF (U); Board Member-National Social Security Fund; Board Member - Uganda Clays limited; Member, Committee on Commission, Statutory Authority and State Enterprises; Member, East African Community Affairs.

Prior Career: Administrator -Uganda Railways Corporation; Community Liaison Officer- Rift Valley Railways U Ltd.

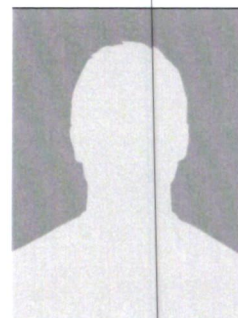
UGANDA

Esther Nadunga

Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



UGANDA

Moses Akena

Clerk/Parliamentary Official

Political/Parliamentary Career: N/A

Prior Career: N/A



UNITED KINGDOM

Dr Roberta Blackman-Woods MP
Shadow Minister for Housing

Political/Parliamentary Career: Roberta Blackman-Woods has been the MP for Durham City since 2005. In 2011 Roberta was appointed Shadow Minister for Communities and Local Government (CLG). Within the Shadow CLG team, she has responsibility for Planning and Local Government Procurement.

Prior Career: Before entering Parliament, Roberta was a Professor of Social Policy at the University of Northumbria, Head of Policy for the Local Government Information Unit and a councillor for Newcastle and Oxford City Councils. Roberta has previously served as Shadow Minister for Civil Society in the Cabinet Office, Shadow Minister for Business, Innovation and Skills and as a PPS. She also served as Chair of the Women's Parliamentary Labour Party and co-chairs a number of all party groups. Roberta is currently the Vice-Chair of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association UK.



UNITED KINGDOM

Ash Denham MSP

Political/Parliamentary Career: Ash has been a Member of the Scottish Parliament for Edinburgh Eastern since May 2016.

Prior Career: She previously worked in advocacy for a think tank and has a BA in International Relations and a MSc in Development Management. She sits on the Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee and the Finance and Constitution Committee and is the political liaison officer for the External Affairs portfolio. She has a particular interest in modern slavery and convenes the Cross Party Groups on both Human Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation. She is working with Scottish stakeholders and international partners to bring in stronger legislation to combat sex trafficking in Scotland and presented and passed a motion to that effect at her party's conference earlier this year.



UNITED KINGDOM

Professor Baroness Lola Young of Hornsey OBE

Political/Parliamentary Career: Baroness Young joined the House of Lords in 2004.

Prior Career: Prior to her appointment, Baroness Young was head of culture at the Greater London Authority (2001 - 2004). Young was a residential social worker in the London Borough of Islington from 1971 to 1973 before working as a professional actress from 1976 to 1984, including a 3 year role in the sitcom 'Metal Mickey'. From 1985 - 1989 she was Co-Director and Training and Development Manager at Haringey Arts Council. Then in 1990 Baroness Young entered the world of academia, first lecturing in media studies at the Polytechnic of West London and going on to be a Lecturer, Senior Lecturer, Principal Lecturer, Professor and in the end Emeritus Professor at Middlesex University. Baroness Young was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 2001 New Year Honours list for 'Services to British Black History'.



SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Eleanor Bird Lenawarungu MBA, BA, FRSA
Senior Technical Advisor; Gender, Peace and Security; Retired Police Officer

Throughout 34 years in policing, Ellie campaigned to maximise the role of women within the service and protect women in communities. Ellie has vast experience in operational and community policing, intelligence and criminal investigation, media and public relations. As the most senior woman Ellie transformed her Command from its sectarian culture to the best performing with highest levels of public confidence in the country. Since retirement Ellie lives in Kenya, working in rural communities and urban townships with adolescent boys and girls and vulnerable women. In Kakuma Settlement Camp Ellie is developing a programme to enable women to define a new normality, establishing peace and security. Ellie is Chair, Strategic Planning, International Association Women Police and works across Africa as Senior Technical Advisor on Gender, Peace and Security.



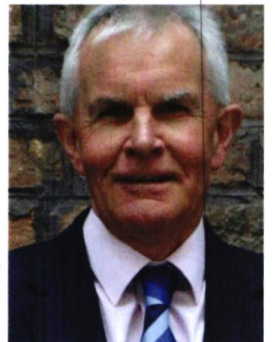
Parosha Chandran
Barrister & UK's Leading Anti-Slavery Lawyer

Parosha Chandran is an award-winning human rights barrister and a world-leading expert on the law relating to modern slavery and human trafficking. She is based in London, at 1 Pump Court Chambers. She represents adult and child victims, is an expert on trafficking for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the Organization for Security and Co-Operation in Europe (OSCE) and the Council of Europe, advises on legal guidance and provides judicial training. In 2008 she received the 'Barrister of the Year Award' from the Law Society of England & Wales' Excellence Awards for her pioneering precedent-setting trafficking cases. In 2009 she advised on the free-standing modern crimes of slavery and forced labour introduced under s. 71 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (now s.1 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015) and between 2013-2015 she advised on trafficking legislation emanating from all the jurisdictions of England & Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, including many key provisions of the Modern Slavery Act 2015. In 2015 she was named "one of the world's leading anti-slavery lawyers" and received the 'Trafficking in Persons Hero Award' from John Kerry at a ceremony in Washington DC in recognition of her ground-breaking work in developing & advancing the rule of law on trafficking in the UK and abroad and her 'unparalleled legal representation of victims of modern slavery'. She is the General Editor of the leading textbook on trafficking, "The Human Trafficking Handbook: recognising trafficking and modern-day slavery in the UK" (LexisNexis, 2011).

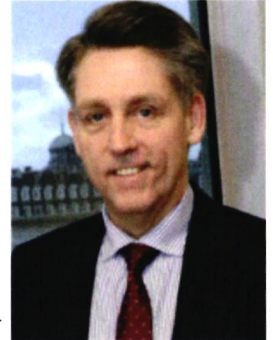


Sir Peter Fahy QPM
Chief Executive Officer, Retrak

Sir Peter Fahy was a police officer for 34 years and spent 8 years as Chief Constable of Greater Manchester where he worked on multi agency initiatives to tackle modern slavery, sexual exploitation and organised crime. He held a number of national responsibilities for counter terrorism but also had a strong commitment to local neighbourhood policing. He has been Chief Executive of the street children charity Retrak since September 2015 working in Uganda, Malawi and Ethiopia with a particular interest in how state agencies, community groups and NGOs work together to protect vulnerable children. In 2012 he was knighted by Her Majesty the Queen for services to policing.



Kevin Hyland OBE
Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner



Kevin Hyland was appointed to the role in November 2014 and acted as 'designate' Commissioner until the UK's Modern Slavery Act received Royal Assent in March 2015, when he became Commissioner.

The Commissioner was appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for "services to Combating Human Trafficking" in the 2015 New Year Honours. Prior to this, he helped to establish the Santa Marta Group, a body comprising international law enforcement agencies, civil society, non-governmental organisations and the Catholic Church. The Group was launched by Pope Francis at the Vatican in April 2014.

The Commissioner was formerly head of the London Metropolitan Police Service's Human Trafficking Unit. As a police officer of 30 years Kevin specialised in investigation of serious organised crime, including homicide, gun crime, anti-corruption and human trafficking and slavery. When working as a senior investigating officer, he was responsible for the convictions of a large number of international organised crime groups which included conducting multi-national joint investigations, and bi-lateral prosecutions of various criminal offences including money laundering, corruption, sexual exploitation and human trafficking.

R. Evon Idahosa
Founder & Executive Director, Pathfinders Justice Initiative



R. Evon Benson-Idahosa is the founder of PJI and currently serves as our Executive Director. She is also a trained English Barrister and an American lawyer who worked as a partner in a national defense law firm in New York for over a decade before venturing full time into activism on behalf of women and girls. As a native of a developing nation (Nigeria), Ms. Idahosa is particularly passionate about addressing the shrouded issues of sex trafficking (modern day slavery) and gender based violence in the developing world because of her compelling commitment to the liberation of women in developing countries. Her passion and compassion are geared towards developing a generation of women who stand confident in who they are, what they bring to the table and what they can achieve. She is a firm believer that if you can empower a woman and engage men as allies for gender justice, you can change any society. Ms. Idahosa is a dynamic speaker and published writer whose voice echoes thousands of young voices via PathFinders' #TakeMeOffMute™ (anti-child sex abuse), #SheSaidNo (anti-rape) and #Not4Sale (anti-sex trafficking) campaigns. She has appeared on multiple news and media outlets including CNN, BBC, Al Jazeera, CCTV-America, ABC, NBC, SiriusXM Radio and The Huffington Post LIVE and has been named one of New York's New Abolitionists (www.newyorknewabolitionists.com). Ms. Idahosa, a regular Huffington Post blogger, has advocated for the return of the abducted Chibok Girls of Nigeria, is a United States White House State of Women "Nominated Changemaker" and been nationally recognized for her efforts in seeking an end to gender based violence in the developing world.

Agnes Igoye
Deputy Chair, National Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Office, Uganda



Agnes Igoye is Uganda's deputy national coordinator Prevention of Trafficking in Persons, and the training manager at the Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control.

Agnes is a 2017 Harvard Kennedy School Mid-Career Master in Public Administration graduate, where she received an award as the most 'Outstanding Fellow of the Edward S. Mason Program; was featured in the commencement issue of the Harvard gazette as one of the Stellar graduating students from across the University and in his address, Agnes was recognized by commencement speaker Mark Zuckerberg for her counter trafficking work.

Agnes has provided her expertise to organizations like the U.N. Office on Drugs and Crime and the International Organization for Migration. In 2011, she made a commitment of action to counter human trafficking with President Clinton and to date has fundraised and delivered over 92,000 text books for the education of vulnerable children in Uganda. Agnes is a 2017 Clinton Global Initiative University (CGI U) Commitment Mentor to 50 students across universities, working on the Criminal Justice category.

Her latest Ugandan passion project is a center she is building for human-trafficking survivors with the \$50,000 DVF International Award prize she received from the United Nations. Agnes is a frequently-invited speaker at international conferences and universities and in addition to several global advisory roles, Agnes has served as Ambassador to "Let Girls Learn" founded by former US first lady Michael Obama.

In 2015, Agnes was named one of 100 most influential people in Africa by The New African Magazine. Other awards include; Distinguished Leadership award for Internationals-University of Minnesota, 2012 and 2014 Inspirational Woman of Uganda Awards. 2013, she was selected as one of 50 emerging Global Women leaders by the Women in Public Service Project, launched by Secretary Hillary Clinton in 2011.

Agnes is a 2010/11 Fulbright/ Hubert Humphrey Fellow, University of Minnesota and studied Forced Migration at the University of Oxford UK. She received a Global Development and Social Justice Certification with a special session with President Jimmy Carter at Emory University in 2011.

Jean-Marie Kagobo
Coordinator, Modern Slavery, Forced Labour and Human Trafficking, Africa Desk,
International Labour Organization



Jean-Marie Kagabo is the Coordinator of the Africa Desk of the International Labour Organisation on Modern Slavery, Forced Labour and Human Trafficking. He provides advisory services to African countries, supervises the implementation of projects in a number of countries, organises workshops and coordinates the research and publications of reports on Modern Slavery, Forced Labour and Human Trafficking in Africa. At the global level, he coordinates the ILO Global Programme to Combat Human Trafficking at Sea (GAPfish).

Jean-Marie Kagabo holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Zurich, Switzerland.

Sir Simon McDonald KMG KCVO
Permanent Under Secretary and Head of the Diplomatic Service,
Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Sir Simon McDonald is the Permanent Under Secretary and Head of the Diplomatic Service at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

Sir Simon joined the British Diplomatic Service in 1982 and has served in Berlin, Jeddah, Riyadh, Bonn, Washington and Tel Aviv, and in a wide range of jobs in London.

Before taking up the role of PUS, Sir Simon served as the British Ambassador to Berlin from 2010 to 2015, the Prime Minister's Foreign Policy Adviser and Head of Foreign and Defence Policy in the Cabinet Office from 2007 to 2010. From 2003 to 2006 he was British Ambassador to Israel.

He was appointed Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George in 2014.



Lydia Namuli
Director, Uganda Association of Women lawyers (FIDA-Uganda Chapter)

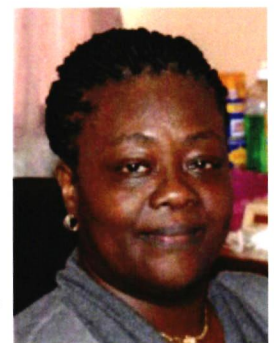
Lydia Namuli is a member of the Uganda Association of Women lawyers (FIDA-Uganda Chapter) 2004 to date and a member of the Board of Directors. She is a duly paid up member of the Uganda Law Society and serves on Professional Development Committee. She is a member of the East African Law Society and the African Bar Association. She seats on the Board of Directors of Legal Aid Service Provider's Network (LASPNET) as General Secretary of the Board. She is trainer in effective Court preparation and presentation under the academy of Justice Advocacy Africa as of 2016.

Lydia has distinguished experience in working with the law to protect rights of victims of Sexual and Gender Based Violence accumulated over ten (10) years of working with Government and Non-Governmental Organizations to enhance access to justice for women and girls including protection from Sexual and Gender Based Violence within the formal and informal systems.



Patience Quaye
Deputy Commandant, Ghana Police Academy

Patience Quaye has diverse professional working experience. She has recruited and vetted Officers for the Special Branch of the Ghana Police Service, currently the Bureau of National Investigations. Some other duties included collecting, collating and analyzing intelligence. Patience has handled a lot of human trafficking cases since 2005 and was part of the team that worked on the Human Trafficking Act. She was also among the eight heroes who won the Human Trafficking Award 2007 for gaining the first conviction in human trafficking for Ghana. She has also worked with National Security, the Criminal Investigation Department and acted as Head of Interpol, Ghana. Patience was the Director of the Anti-Trafficking Unit from 2005-2016 and is currently the Deputy Commandant of the Ghana Police Academy.



Florence Soyekwo
Country Director, Retrak

Florence has worked with child-centred organisations for two decades. A passionate advocate for child rights and in particular for their right to live in safe, family-based care, she has steered a team of dedicated professionals at Retrak Uganda. She has been instrumental in shaping multi-agency co-ordination in family reintegration of street-connected children, working in partnership with government and NGO partners as well as driving forward the prevention of unnecessary child separation from family.

With a professional background in accounting, Florence first worked as a Finance Manager at Retrak Uganda for nine years and is now the Country Director.



Josephine Tusingwire
Child Rights Officer, Retrak

Josephine Tusingwire holds a Masters Degree in Counseling Psychology and has 15 years' experience in Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) programming. She first worked with Retrak as OVC Advisor (2009-2012) and as Street Children Specialist from 2014 to date. Her major strengths lie in planning, management and implementation of state of the art OVC programs, capacity building, advocacy, community development among others.



Moses Wangadia
Programme Team Leader, Retrak

Moses Wangadia is currently the programs Team leader at Retrak Uganda as well as the Technical advisor (Family Reintegration) on a USAID Project, Family Resilience Project (FARE). He has worked with street connected children for over 10 years and reintegrated over 900 children back into safe and secure families/communities. He holds a Bachelor's degree in social work and social administration from Uganda Christian University, Mukono as well as a Post Graduate Diploma in Project planning and Management from Uganda Management Institute.





Neill Wilkins
Programme Manager Migrant Workers, Institute for Human Rights and Business

Neill manages all aspects of the IHRB Migrant Workers programme and helped oversee the development of the Dhaka Principles for Migration With Dignity - a set of human rights based principles that offer a clear framework for understanding the recruitment and employment of migrant workers worldwide. The current focus for the programme is ethical recruitment and in particular the payment of recruitment fees by migrant workers. IHRB are working with others to promote increased due diligence by business and establish the principle of "employer pays" (the cost of recruitment) as the norm across all industry sectors and locations.

Neill previously worked as part of the Campaigns Team at The Body Shop International where he was involved with a number of environmental and human rights campaigns.


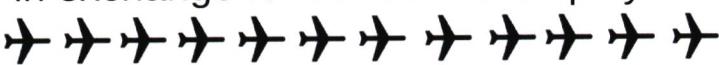



At **15** Maria sold food on the street in West Africa 

 At 17 she began a relationship with an older man & had a son with sickle-cell disease 

AFTER HER PARTNER DIED & WITH INCREASING HOSPITAL BILLS...
...SHE ACCEPTED THE OFFER OF A BETTER LIFE IN EUROPE

Maria took an oath to pay...

£50,000 in exchange for transit and employment 


 She was told that if she didn't pay she would lose her child

IN LONDON SHE WAS MET BY A MAN SHE DIDN'T KNOW AND HE FORCED HER INTO **PROSTITUTION** 



She continued to work to repay her debts afraid of the consequences of breaking her oath

Maria
was trapped



(SEX TRAFFICKING REPRESENTS 2/3 OF THE ESTIMATED \$150 BILLION MADE FROM FORCED LABOUR WORLDWIDE)

It was only after Maria's son faced a medical **EMERGENCY**

 that she escaped

after being abandoned at the hospital.



PROGRAMME

Day 1 - Tuesday 4 July A Day to Introduce and Debate the Topic

Protea Hotel, Entebbe

TIME	SESSION
From 0815	<i>Delegate registration</i>
0900-0930	Welcome and Introduction to the Modern Slavery Project
0930-1045	<p>Session 1 - Defining the Issue: What is Modern Slavery?</p> <p>Without a globally recognised understanding of the term, how do we recognise Modern Slavery? Setting Modern Slavery in an international context – how is it a sustainable development/economic/criminal/human rights issue? What is the role of parliamentarians in implementing, scrutinising and raising awareness of Modern Slavery?</p> <p>During the session there will be a keynote address from Sir Simon McDonald KCMG KCVO, <i>Permanent Under Secretary and Head of the Diplomatic Service, UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office</i>. Sir McDonald will speak about the UK's Government's approach to tackling Modern Slavery.</p> <p>Chair: A UK Member</p> <p>Speakers: Parosha Chandran, <i>Barrister & UK's Leading Anti-Slavery Lawyer</i> Jean-Marie Kagabo, <i>Coordinator - Modern Slavery, Forced Labour and Human Trafficking, Africa Desk, International Labour Organization</i></p>
1045-1115	Refreshments
1115-1230	<p>Session 2 - Human Trafficking</p> <p>Human trafficking is the acquisition of people by improper means such as force, fraud or deception, with the aim of exploiting them. How can traffickers be targeted and stopped? What scope is there for cross-border cooperation and how can we work with those most vulnerable?</p> <p>Chair: Hon. Jovah Kamateeka MP, <i>Chairperson Human Rights Committee, Uganda</i></p> <p>Speakers: Agnes Igoye, <i>Deputy Chair, The National Prevention of Trafficking in Persons office-Uganda</i> Parosha Chandran, <i>Barrister & UK's Leading Anti-Slavery Lawyer</i> R. Evon Idahosa, <i>Founder and Director, Pathfinders Justice Initiative, and leading US lawyer and English Barrister</i></p>
1230-1330	Lunch

1330-1445

Session 3 - Commercial Sexual Exploitation

Commercial Sexual Exploitation (CSE) is the sexual exploitation of men, women or children for the purposes of a commercial transaction for the benefit of another party, be it financially or otherwise. CSE of children is particularly prevalent across Africa, with an estimated 2 million children being exploited every year in the global commercial sex trade. What is the scale of CSE across Africa? What is being done to combat it? How can behaviours and cultures be changed to curtail the trade? How can civil society and parliamentarians work together to stop the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of men, women and children?

Chair: Hon. Isekiel Molde Gusse MP, *Rapporteur, Committee on Constitutional Affairs, Human Rights and Legality, Mozambique*

Speakers:

R. Evon Idahosa, *Founder and Director, Pathfinders Justice Initiative, and leading US lawyer and English Barrister*
Eleanor Bird ~~Lenawarungu~~ MBA, BA, FRSA, *Senior Technical Advisor; Gender, Peace and Security and Retired Police Officer*

Hon. Ash Denham MSP, *Member of Scottish Parliament*

Lydia Namuli, *Director, Uganda Association of Women lawyers (FIDA-Uganda Chapter)*



1445-1600

Session 4 - Forced Labour

Forced labour is the most common element of modern slavery with the International Labour Organization (ILO) estimating that around 3.7 million people in Africa are victims. Africa also has the world's highest incidence rates of child labour; in Sub-Saharan Africa more than 40% of all children aged 5-14, labour for survival. This session will look at forced labour in Africa, particularly with regards to child labour, traditional forms of servitude, and the role of the ILO in helping legislatures combat the issue.

Chair: TBC

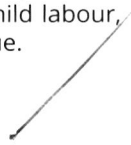
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Neill Wilkins, *Programme Manager Migrant Workers, Institute for Human Rights and Business*



1600-1615

Refreshments

1615-1730

Session 5 - Transparency in Supply Chains

Transparency in supply chains is a cross-border issue. The question is how can states work together to improve business practises to ensure transparency in supply chains and what is the power of the consumer?

Chair: Baroness Young of Hornsey OBE, *Member of the UK House of Lords*

Speakers:

Neill Wilkins, *Programme Manager Migrant Workers, Institute for Human Rights and Business*



1730

END OF DAY 1

Day 2 - Wednesday 5 July

The Legislative Landscape Across the Region

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TIME	SESSION
0830-0900	<p>Session 6 - An Overview of Legislation Within the Region</p> <p>Delegates will be provided with an overview of modern slavery-related legislation across the Africa region, highlighting recent changes or ongoing work and difficult cultural challenges/splits within regional parliaments.</p> <p>Chair: Parosha Chandran, <i>Barrister & UK's Leading Anti-Slavery Lawyer</i></p>
0900-1015	<p>Session 7 - Developments and Challenges: Small Mixed Groups</p> <p>In break-out groups delegates will discuss modern slavery-related developments and challenges across Africa, bringing perspectives and experiences from across the entire region to the table. Groups will then reconvene to present and discuss their findings. This session will provide an opportunity to develop solutions on regional modern slavery issues and identify ways in which legislatures can work together to support each other in tackling cross-border challenges.</p> <p>Facilitators: Baroness Young of Hornsey OBE, <i>Member of the UK House of Lords</i> Parosha Chandran, <i>Barrister & UK's Leading Anti-Slavery Lawyer</i> R. Evon Idahosa, <i>Founder and Director, Pathfinders Justice Initiative, and leading US lawyer and English Barrister</i></p>
1015-1030	<p>Refreshments</p>
1030-1145	<p>Session 8 - Your Role as a Parliamentarian: Workshop Session</p> <p>In break-out groups, delegates will explore how parliamentarians can ensure legislation is as strong and relevant as it can be as well as the tools within the mechanics of parliament to support legislative change. The session will include input from UK MPs who will give examples of the challenges and opportunities in the UK trying to establish the Modern Slavery Act.</p> <p>Facilitators: Baroness Young of Hornsey OBE, <i>Member of the UK House of Lords</i> Dr Roberta Blackman-Woods MP, <i>Member of the UK House of Commons</i> Ash Denham MSP, <i>Member of Scottish Parliament</i></p>



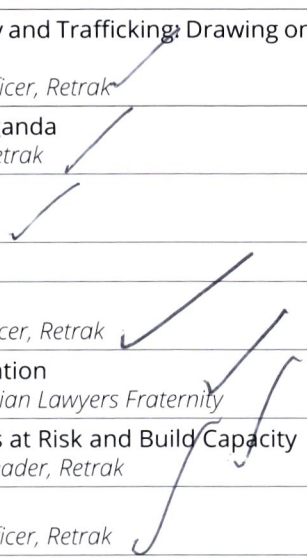
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1145-1315	Session 9 - The Role of Supporting Partners: Workshop Session	
Each participant will have the opportunity to meet with representatives from each of the three prospective supporting groups.		
a. Civil Society	b. Law enforcement	c. Judiciary
A good relationship with civil society can support work of committees and parliamentary reports. How best can they work together?	Laws are only effective through proper implementation and understanding from local and international law enforcement. How can different groups and organisations work together? Can cross-border initiatives work? What training can be provided with limited resources?	An effective judiciary results in consistency in sentencing and appropriate reparation and compensation awards for victims. What needs to be done to ensure the judiciary is fully equipped to penalise modern slavery crimes in the most appropriate way possible?
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1315-1415	Lunch	
Delegate feedback and lessons learnt		
1415-1715	Session 10 - Presentation of the Bulumu Centre	
1415-1430	1. Overview of the Challenge of Modern Slavery and Trafficking: Drawing on Experience from Uganda, Malawi, UK and Ethiopia Speaker: Sir Peter Fahy QPM, <i>Chief Executive Officer, Retrak</i>	
1430-1500	2. Retrak's Experience of Modern Slavery in Uganda Speaker: Florence Soyewko, <i>Country Director, Retrak</i>	
1500-1530	3. The Voices of Survivors <i>Girls from Retrak's Bulumu centre tell their stories</i>	
1530-1600	Refreshments	
1600-1620	4. The Challenges of Rehabilitating Victims Speaker: Josephine Tusingwire, <i>Child Rights Officer, Retrak</i>	
1620-1640	5. The Practical Challenges of Enforcing Legislation Speaker: Eunice Nabafu, <i>Counsel, Uganda Christian Lawyers Fraternity</i>	
1640-1700	6. Working in Communities to Identify Families at Risk and Build Capacity Speaker: Moses Wangadia, <i>Programme Team Leader, Retrak</i>	
1700-1715	7. Question and Answer Speaker: Sir Peter Fahy QPM, <i>Chief Executive Officer, Retrak</i>	
1715	END OF DAY 2	

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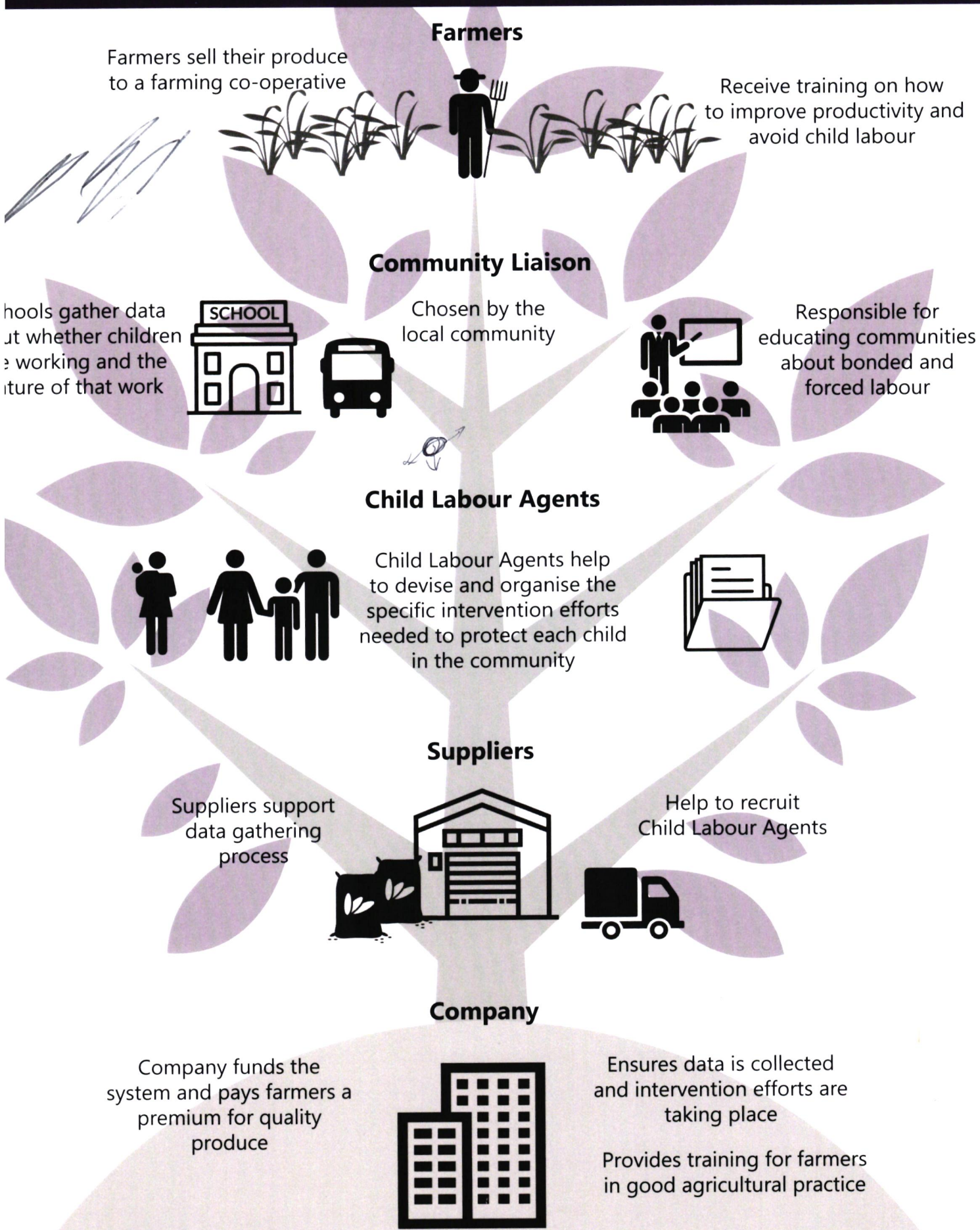
Legislation to Implementation: Law in Action

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TIME	SESSION
0900-1100	<p>Session 11 - Legislation and Difficulties with Implementation</p> <p>A look at practical examples of how legislation could develop for each Nation present. Example scenarios discussed; how would situations be recognised; who are the key reporters; how easy is it to report a suspected problem; what is the process for ending the violation; is there victim support available; how would it be legislated against?</p> <p>Chair: TBC</p> <p>Speakers: Kevin Hyland OBE, <i>UK Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner</i> Patience Quaye, <i>Deputy Commandant, Ghana Police Academy</i> R. Evon Idahosa, <i>Founder and Director of Pathfinders Justice Initiative and leading US lawyer and English Barrister</i></p>
1100-1130	Refreshments
1130-1215	<p>Session 12 - What Next?</p> <p>Feedback from breakout groups leading to agreement on where possibilities for strengthening/creating legislation are? What support can be offered and by whom? How can this be facilitated? Opportunities for taking this forward and follow-up.</p>
1215-1230	Certificate Presentation and Closing Statements
1230-1400	Lunch
WORKSHOP ENDS	

Modern Slavery: Transparency in supply chains

Businesses are doing more to address transparency in their supply chains to combat modern slavery. Below is what one company has done to avoid child labour.



Modern Slavery Act contains a 'Transparency in Supply Chains' clause requiring every company with a turnover of more than £36 million operating in the UK to publish an annual 'slavery and human trafficking statement' setting out what they're doing to address those issues in their supply chains.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Travelling to/from Uganda

Delegates will make their own travel plans to attend the workshop in Entebbe, Uganda.

Hotel

The name and address of the official hotel is Protea Hotel by Marriott Entebbe, 36-40 Sebugwawo Drive, Entebbe Road, Entebbe, Uganda.

If you are staying at another hotel, please make your way to the Protea Hotel where you will be greeted by staff, registered for the workshop and provided with your pass.

Workshop Venue

The official workshop hotel will also be the official workshop venue, with all sessions taking place within the vicinity. The hotel is approximately 5 minutes' drive from Entebbe Airport.

Upon arrival, you will be directed by staff to the conference rooms that will be used for the duration of the workshop.

Security

Please note for security reasons participants are expected to wear their passes at all times. Passes will be provided during registration on the first day of the workshop.

Workshop Attendance

Delegates are expected to attend all sessions of the Workshop programme.

Translation

The official language of the Workshop will be English. There will be no translation available.

Photography and video

There will be an official photographer present during the Workshop and there will be a group photograph. Photographs will be made available after the Workshop via the CPA UK website.

CPA UK staff will also be approaching delegates to partake in short video interviews about the Workshop.

Twitter

CPA UK will be tweeting about the Workshop using @CPA_UK. We encourage delegates to join us. The official hashtag is #ModernSlaveryAf17.

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones should be switched off. Any mobile phone conversations, as well as extended conversations with fellow delegates, should take place outside the workshop.

Smoking

The Workshop is a strictly non-smoking area. Delegates who would like to smoke will be required to do so outside.

Internet Access

WiFi internet is available and access information will be provided on arrival.

Weather

In Entebbe, the month of July is characterized by essentially constant daily high temperatures, with daily highs around 25°C (77°F) throughout the month, rarely exceeding 27°C (80°F) or dropping below 23°C (74°F).

Dress

Delegates should wear business dress throughout the Workshop.

Currency

The official currency is the Ugandan Shilling.

Exchange rates can be found at the following websites:
www.xe.com
www.oanda.com

Currency can also be changed at all international airports, although a commission will be charged. ATMs are available in Entebbe, with both Visa and MasterCard being widely accepted.

Insurance

Delegates have been advised to obtain valid travel and health insurance for travel to London, covering the entire period of the Workshop.

Emergency

In the event of a problem during the Workshop, please speak to a member of staff. In the event of a serious emergency, dial 999 or 112 for the police, fire and ambulance services respectively.

MEET THE TEAM



Andrew Tuggey CBE DL
Chief Executive & Secretary

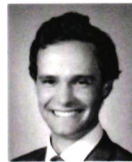
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ABOUT CPA UK

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