

# PROGRAM BOOK

## Humphrey Alumni Global Policy Dialogue Advancing Women's Sustainable Development

August 24-26, 2024  
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia



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## ABOUT

### Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program

The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program, a Fulbright exchange, enhances leadership among international professionals who collaborate to address local and global challenges and foster change for the collective good. Through academic study and professional development with U.S. counterparts, this growing global network shares best practices and builds expertise in fields of critical importance to advance societal and institutional capacity, promote human rights and freedoms, ensure sustainable environments, and develop thriving communities.

### Humphrey Alumni Global Policy Series

The Humphrey Fellowship recently launched the Humphrey Alumni Global Policy Series. This policy series will convene Humphrey alumni across world regions to address crucial global concerns and challenges at the national, regional, and local levels.

The Global Policy Series will take place in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from August 24-26, 2024, and will focus on public health, education, economic development, and other critical issues. This event will include roundtable dialogues, engagement with key stakeholders, and collaborative networking.

**Date: August 24-26, 2024**

**Venue: Skylight Hotel, Airport Road, Addis Ababa 1755  
Addis Ababa Ethiopia**





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## HUMPHREY ALUMNI GLOBAL POLICY SERIES: [ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA]

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## HUMPHREY ALUMNI GLOBAL POLICY DIALOGUE: [Addis Ababa, Ethiopia]

### AGENDA

#### FRIDAY, Aug. 23, 2024

All day **Arrival of Humphrey Alumni**  
Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel

9:35-9:45 AM

#### **Opening Remark**

The Honorable Stephanie S. Sullivan  
Ambassador  
United States Mission to the African  
Union

#### SATURDAY, Aug. 24, 2024

8:30-9:15 AM **Registration and Networking**  
Venue: Abay Hall

9:45- 9:55 AM

#### **Keynote Speech**

H.E. Mr. Kora Tushene  
State Minister  
Ministry of Education

9:15-9:20 AM **Introduction**  
MC: Esete Zewdie  
International Outreach and Recruitment  
Specialist • NYU Abu Dhabi  
IIE SSA and Ethiopia

9:55-10:15 AM

#### **Group Photograph**

Participants

9:20-9:25 AM **Welcoming Remark**  
Mrs. Ethiopia Tilahun  
Head of IIE SSA and Ethiopia  
IIE SSA and Ethiopia

10:15-10:45 AM

#### **Tea Break**

Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel

9:25-9:35 AM **Humphrey Program Briefing**  
Dr. Peter Moran  
Director, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship  
Program  
IIE

10:45-11:45 AM

#### **Panel Discussion**

Topic: Gender Mainstreaming and Public  
policy  
Moderator: - Titilope Ojo  
Panelist : - Sialou Madeleine  
Panelist : - Maria Matui  
Panelist : - Edith Mugehu

11:45-12:30 PM

#### **Discussion and Wrap-up**

Moderator and MC



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### AGENDA

**SATURDAY Afternoon, Aug. 24, 2024**

12:30-01:30 PM

**Lunch Time**

Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel

03:00-03:30 PM

**Tea Break**

Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel

01:30-02:30 PM

**Breakout Rooms Discussions**

**Topic: Bridging the Gap: Women in the Digital Economy - Access, Skills, and Strategies**

Venue: **AbaY Hall**

Facilitator: - Anjusha Durbarry

Co-facilitator: - Dianne Wakonyo

Venue: Abay Hall

Facilitator : - Leon Kokou B. Amouzou

Co-facilitator : - Alfred Jusu

03:30-04:30 PM

**Panel Discussion**

**Topic: Women Centered Public Health Initiatives, Interventions and best practices**

Moderator: - Dr. Yakob Seman

Panelist : - Tchakounte Tchatat Mireille

Panelist : - Dr. Teresa Ekaete Nwachukwu

Panelist : - Naigaga Winfred Kyobiika

04:30- 05:15 PM

**Discussion and Wrap-up**

Moderator and MC

02:30-03:00 PM

**Presentation and Wrap-up**

Group reporter



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### AGENDA

**SUNDAY, Aug. 25, 2024**

08:30-08:45 AM **Registration and Networking**

Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel

08:45-10:00 AM **Breakout Rooms Discussions**

**Topic 1: Women, Peace, and Security:  
Building a more inclusive future**

Venue: Abay Hall

Facilitator : - Christina Kamil

Co-facilitator : - Igoye Agnes

**Topic 2: Gender based violence**

Venue: Adey Ababa

Facilitator : - Fatimata Gudino

Co-facilitator : - Musa Baldeh

**Topic 3: The role of women in climate  
change**

Venue: Awash

Facilitator : - Demelash Alem

Co-facilitator : - Semira Mohamed

10:00-10:15 AM

**Presentation and Wrap-up**

Group reporter

10:15-10:45 AM

Tea Break

**Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel**

10:45-11:45 AM

**Panel Discussion**

**Topic: Enlightening educational  
opportunities and learning outcomes  
for women and girls**

Moderator: - Yeshiembet Alemu

Panelist : - Tigist Kassahun

Panelist : - Soulamane Konkobo

Panelist : - Nature Inger

11:45-12:30 PM

**Discussion and Wrap-up**

Moderator and MC

12:30- 02:00 PM

**Lunch Time**

Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel

02:00- 05:00 PM

**Site Visit**

Venue: Addis Ababa Site Locations

05:00- 06:00 PM

**Returning to Skylight Hotel**

07:00- 10:00 PM

**Reception**

Venue: 2000 Habesha Restaurant





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## HUMPHREY ALUMNI GLOBAL POLICY DIALOGUE: [Addis Ababa, Ethiopia]

### AGENDA

#### MONDAY, Aug. 26, 2024

08:30-09:00 AM	<b>Registration and Reflection on the site visit</b> Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel	11:45-11:55 AM	<b>Presenting the Motion and Wrap-up</b> Dr. Yakob Seman Country Director Reach Another Foundation
09:00-10:15 AM	<b>Way Forward: Group Discussions</b> Participants and MC	11:55-12:00 AM	<b>Closing Remarks</b> Mrs. Ethiopia Tilahun Head of IIE SSA and Ethiopia IIE SSA and Ethiopia
10:15-10:45 AM	<b>Tea Break</b> Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel		
10:45-11:20 AM	<b>Way Forward Presentation and Wrap-up</b> Participants	12:00 PM	<b>Lunch and Farewell</b> Venue: Ethiopian Skylight Hotel
11:20-11:30 AM	<b>ECA/Embassy Opportunities</b> Ms. Mezegebua Taddesse Public Engagement Specialist U.S. Mission to the African Union		
11:30-11:45 AM	<b>Humphrey Grant Opportunities</b> Dr. Peter Moran Director, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program IIE		



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## **HUMPHREY ALUMNI GLOBAL POLICY DIALOGUE: [Addis Ababa, Ethiopia]**

### **Panelist's and Moderator's Bio**

#### **Panel Discussion**

**Topic: Gender Mainstreaming and Public policy**

#### **Panelist 1: - Sialou Madeleine**

Dr. Sialou Madeleine is presently working as lecturer at the National Advanced Institute of Arts and Culture (INSAAC) in Abidjan (Cote d'Ivoire). Her research interest concerns cultural development with a specific focus on women role in the emergence of cultural economy and youth involvement in the process. She is also involved in public administration as assistant Director (MCF), regional advisor, municipal Councilor (Kounahiri).

#### **Panelist 2: - Maria Matui**

Maria Matui is a Tanzanian climate justice advocate and gender equality champion. She is particularly focused on empowering marginalized communities, especially women and Indigenous groups, to participate in climate policy discussions. As the founder of the Coalition for Gender and Climate Change Tanzania, she has been instrumental in incorporating gender perspectives into climate policies and ensuring equitable distribution of climate financing. Her leadership has led to the creation of the Gender and Climate Change Coalition and her involvement in developing Tanzania's National Gender and Climate Change Strategy.

#### **Moderator: - Titilope Ojo**

Titi is a project management and business development professional with a focus on non-oil exports and agricultural value chains. She has worked on various projects in Nigeria, funded by international organizations, and has a strong background in trade policy advocacy and women's economic empowerment. Titi's experience includes roles as a National Advisor, Trade Policy Workstream Lead, and Executive Secretary of the Network of Practicing Non-oil Exporters of Nigeria.

#### **Panelist 3: - Edith Mugehu**

Edith is a food security expert with a focus on equitable and gender-responsive agricultural practices. She has experience leading projects that promote climate-smart agriculture and improve the livelihoods of marginalized communities. Edith is currently the Director of Agricultural Programs at the Zimbabwean Women in Conservation and Agriculture.



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### **Panelist's and Moderator's Bio**

#### **Panel Discussion**

**Topic: Women Centered Public Health Initiatives, Interventions and best practices**

#### **Panelist 1: - Tchakounte Tchatat Mireille**

Mireille Laurentine is a senior staff member at the National School of Administration and Magistracy. She has held various leadership positions within the institution, including head of service for admissions and student affairs. A feminist with a focus on women's issues and sustainable development, Mireille is actively involved in several non-profit women's associations. Her work centers around fighting poverty through women's empowerment and promoting mutual aid. Mireille believes that educating women is crucial for fostering positive change in society.

#### **Panelist 2: - Dr. Teresa Ekaete Nwachukwu**

Dr. Teresa Ekaete Nwachukwu is a public health physician with extensive education in medicine, public health, and health management. She has also earned certificates in leadership, research, and project management. After completing the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship program, she founded Steps to the Top Leadership Center, a non-profit organization focused on leadership development. Currently, she serves as the Acting Director of the Department of Health Planning, Research, and Statistics in Abuja, Nigeria.

#### **Moderator: - Dr. Yakob Seman**

Dr. Yakob is a dedicated public health expert with a passion for improving maternal and child health outcomes. As the current country director of Reach another foundation specializing in the prevention, expanding access to quality treatment, enhancing rehabilitation services, and generating evidence-based research on Birth Defects.

#### **Panelist 3: - Naigaga Winfred Kyobiika**

Naigaga Winfred Kyobiika is a Ugandan legal expert and Chief Magistrate with over a decade of experience. She specializes in international criminal law, international human rights, gender and access to justice, and women's leadership. Her passion for policy and legal research drives her work, which is focused on advocating for the rights of vulnerable and marginalized women and girls. She is actively involved in civil society organizations working to improve access to justice and promote development in these communities.



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### **Panelist's and Moderator's Bio**

#### **Panel Discussion**

**Topic: Enlightening educational opportunities and learning outcomes for women and girls**

#### **Panelist 1: - Tigist Kassahun**

Tigist Kassahun is an architect and urbanist, an educator and researcher from Ethiopia. She is a Full-Bright, Humphrey Research Fellow at Massachusetts Institute of technology (MIT), USA; and the Women Research Fellow at Coady International Institute, Canada. She has 15 years of experience in practice and research skills in national & international issues in fields of architecture, construction, urbanism, spatial planning, and gender equity; in private, public, international organizations and UN Agencies in Ethiopia and abroad.

#### **Panelist 2: - Soulamane Konkobo**

Soulamane KONKOBO is a strategy and business consultant and a trainer. He holds a Research Masters (DEA) in Business Management, a Master's degree in Marketing Management obtained at the Higher Institute of Management of Dakar (ISM), Senegal and several other graduate certificates. He is a Hubert Humphrey alumnus of Boston University (2018-2019). Today, Soulamane works mainly through Burkina Business Incubator (chairman of the Board) and Summum Consulting Group (Founder and CEO) to develop the spirit of entrepreneurship among young Burkinabè and sustainable businesses as an answer to unemployment and poverty in Burkina Faso.

#### **Moderator: - Yeshiembet Alemu**

Mrs. Yeshimebet Alemu is a foundation skill trainer and program officer with more than 10 years' experience. She has BA in Economics and MSW in Social Work, Ms. Yeshimebet has more than 5 years' experience in managing programs and projects in the Education sector and more than 5 years as a capacity building trainer to various sector employees and service providers. Coaching, Mentoring and Training Manual development is her major strengths.

#### **Panelist 3: - Nature Inger**

Nature Inger is a dedicated marketing and media professional with a strong background in feminist organizing and campaigning. She has effectively used digital media to raise awareness about gender-based violence, particularly through the #everythreehours campaign. Currently, she is leading the Create Consent Culture project, which aims to educate children, parents, and teachers about consent. Through her work, she aims to foster a culture of safety and respect, contributing to the sustainable development and empowerment of women and children in her community.



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### **Facilitator's and Co-Facilitator's Bio**

#### **Group Discussion**

**Topic: Bridging the Gap: Women in the Digital Economy - Access, Skills, and Strategies**

#### **Facilitator 2: - Leon Kokou B. Amouzou**

Leon Kokou Bleo Amouzou is a technology leader with over 22 years of experience in ICT and digital innovations. He has held various roles in organizations such as the European Development Fund, the United Nations, Plan International, and the National Health Insurance of Togo. Leon has a strong focus on using technology to improve healthcare services, particularly for women. He has developed digital literacy programs, online platforms for women's entrepreneurship, and ICT-driven healthcare solutions. As President of the PMI Togo Chapter, he promotes ICT to enhance women's participation in project management and leadership.

#### **Co facilitator 2: - Alfred Jusu**

Alfred has worked in development finance for 15 years, focusing on using digitalization to promote women's economic inclusion in agriculture and microbusiness. He has held various roles, including Executive Director of Munafa Social Microfinance and Agri Finance Consultant. His work includes digital financial literacy training, digital payment capture, and safeguarding training. Alfred empowers women as agents of social change, using digital tools to build community platforms.

#### **Facilitator 1: - Anjusha Durbarry**

Dr. Anjusha Durbarry is a seasoned professional with over fifteen years of experience in higher education, research management, and strategic planning. She has worked on various high-impact projects aimed at enhancing educational outcomes, such as Technology Enabled Learning and Research for Impact. Dr. Durbarry holds a PhD from the University of Leicester and has completed postdoctoral research at the University of Nottingham. She has also contributed to higher education in Africa through her work at the World Bank and as a rapporteur for the UNESCO Addis Convention. Dr. Durbarry is a strong advocate for women in research and is a member of the Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World.

#### **Co-facilitator 1: - Dianne Wakonyo**

Dianne is a development expert with a strong research background. She specializes in creating sustainable solutions for communities, particularly focusing on women's empowerment. Her experience includes leading international teams, conducting in-depth research, and implementing impactful projects. Dianne has successfully applied her skills at Asphalt and Ink, where she improved women's economic opportunities in Kenya through research and strategic recommendations. She also brings expertise in real estate, providing valuable insights for investment decisions.



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## **HUMPHREY ALUMNI GLOBAL POLICY DIALOGUE: [Addis Ababa, Ethiopia]**

### **Facilitator's and Co-Facilitator's Bio**

#### **Group Discussion**

**Topic: Empowering Women Leaders: Building Bridges for Stronger Communities**

#### **Facilitator 2: - Joyce Nyambura**

Joyce is a Kenyan 2007-2008 Humphrey alumna of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She has since then established an organization called Mwamba Mwamba International, whose main purpose is to empower domestic workers in Kenya. Joyce is also a deputy secretary general of the Association of County Governments of Kenya, whose main mandate is to lobby and advocate for good local governance in Kenya. In line with her position, Joyce serves as a board member of the Kenya Urban Roads Authority, a state corporation that is responsible for the provision of sustainable urban mobility.

#### **Co facilitator 2: - Njowir Mary**

Mary, a married mother of four with a Bachelor's Degree in Law, is the current Chief Registrar of the Supreme Court of Cameroon. She has held various positions at the Audit Bench, including Head of Division and Chief Registrar. Mary has been instrumental in fighting corruption and improving the efficiency of the judicial system. She has received two awards for her contributions and is a leader in organizing International Women's Day activities at the Supreme Court.

#### **Facilitator 1: - Fiona Mawale**

Justice Fiona Atupele Mwale is a highly accomplished judge with a diverse background. She has worked in the judicial sector since 2012, specializing in family and probate law. She has chaired the Child Case Review Board, led programs to enact gender-related laws, and served on the UN Women Ending Violence against Women Task Force. Justice Mwale is committed to training and has conducted gender-responsive judicial training in various countries. She is also a published author and a Ph.D. student.

#### **Co-facilitator 1: - Donah L. Lekwati**

Donah L. Lekwati is a higher education leader with over 13 years of experience in academic and student administration. He is passionate about leadership, student engagement, student success, and strategic partnerships. A Fulbright Hubert Humphrey Alumni, he has implemented initiatives on diversity, equity, inclusion, and access in higher education. His expertise in internationalization has led to strategic partnerships that advance organizational, community, and national goals. Currently, he serves as the Director of Academic Services at Botswana International University of Science and Technology and as the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees for the BIUST Staff Pension Fund.





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### **Facilitator's and Co-Facilitator's Bio**

#### **Group Discussion**

**Topic 1: Gender based violence**

#### **Facilitator 1: - Fatimata Gudino Sidibe**

Ms SIDIBE is a gender expert with extensive experience in NGO management, fundraising, and gender integration in development projects. She has worked for CARE International, USAID, and the Millennium Challenge Account in Mali, focusing on gender policy, child trafficking, agriculture, and access to justice. Ms SIDIBE has contributed to various initiatives aimed at empowering women and girls, including drafting a law against gender-based violence in Mali.

#### **Co-facilitator 1: - Musa Baldeh**

Musa is an advocate for access to quality education for all, particularly for women and girls. He has led initiatives to increase girls' enrollment in school and has participated in the Humphrey Fellowship focusing on Educational Administration, Planning, and Policy. He has interned with The State College Area School District and the Jurarim Organization for Youth Excellence.

#### **Group Discussion**

**Topic 2: Women, Peace, and Security: Building a more inclusive future**

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### **Facilitator's and Co-Facilitator's Bio**

#### **Group Discussion**

**Topic: The role of women in climate change**

#### **Facilitator : - Demelash Alem**

Demelash Alem obtained his PhD in Conservation and Sustainable Use of Forest Systems from the University of Valladolid. He worked for higher learning, Development and research institutes. Currently, he is working as senior researcher and center director at Bahirdar Center of Ethiopian Forestry Development and responsible for coordinating research and administrative activities in the center. With the objective of sharing the knowledge and experience he obtained from his Humphrey fellowship year, he provides training on: The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People, communication skills, building women self confidence in the workplace, personality types and others. He uses affirmative actions to select female workers for such training.

#### **Co-facilitator : - Semira Mohamed**

Semira Mohammed Beyan is a leading advocate for women's sustainable development. She has a PhD in agriculture and has worked in academia and the nonprofit sector. As a development practitioner, she has led programs on women's empowerment, urban agriculture, and gender-sensitive climate-smart agriculture. She is also an educator and mentor. As the founder and director of GO, she has been actively involved in empowering women to take active roles in their community leadership. After completing the Humphrey Program, she is inspired to leverage her experience to spearhead initiatives aimed at uplifting and empowering communities, with a particular focus on women.



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## HUMPHREY ALUMNI GLOBAL POLICY DIALOGUE: [Addis Ababa, Ethiopia]

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# HUMPHREY ALUMNI GLOBAL POLICY SERIES: [Addis Ababa, Ethiopia] Quick City Guide

## Getting There and Around

**Getting around:** Taxis are readily available but be sure to agree on a fare upfront. For a more convenient option, consider using ride-services. Public transportation can be challenging for visitors. Please download the applications: Ride and Feres.

## Where to Stay and Dine

**Accommodation:** Addis Ababa offers a range of hotels to suit different budgets. Popular areas for business travelers include Bole and Kazanchis.

**Dining:** Ethiopian cuisine is flavorful and diverse. You'll find a variety of international restaurants as well. Be sure to try local specialties like injera and doro wat.

## Transportation Safety

**Use reputable taxi services:** Avoid hailing taxis on the street, as this can increase the risk of scams or overcharging.

**Secure your belongings in taxis:** Keep your valuables close to you and avoid leaving them unattended.

**Be cautious when using public transportation:** While generally safe, exercise caution and be aware of your surroundings.

## Hotel Highlights

**Modern Comfort:** Enjoy spacious rooms with contemporary amenities.

**Business Facilities:** Take advantage of the hotel's business center for seamless work.

**Dining Delights:** Savor a variety of cuisines at the hotel's restaurants.

**Relaxation:** Unwind at the swimming pool or indulge in a spa treatment.



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### Quick City Guide

#### Exploring Addis Ababa

While your meetings might keep you busy, there's always time for a bit of exploration. Here are some nearby attractions and amenities:

- **Shopping:**
  - **Le Meridien Shopping Mall:** A short drive away, this mall offers a mix of international and local brands.
  - **Friendship Supermarket:** A short walk away, this mall offers a mix of international and local brands for various uses.
- **Dining:**
  - **Bole Medhani Alem:** This neighborhood offers a variety of restaurants, from international chains to local eateries.
  - **Local Cuisine:** Don't miss the chance to try authentic Ethiopian food at traditional restaurants.
- **Other Amenities:**
  - **Banks and ATMs:** Several banks and ATMs can be found in the vicinity of the hotel.

#### Essential Tips

**Safety:** Addis Ababa is generally safe, but it's always wise to exercise caution.

**Currency:** The Ethiopian Birr is the local currency. You can exchange money at the airport or at banks in the city

**Communication:** English is widely spoken in business circles, but learning a few Amharic phrases can go a long way.

**Time difference:** Ethiopia is three hours ahead of UTC. Be sure to adjust your watch accordingly.

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<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/ethiopia-travel-advisory.html#>





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A nighttime photograph of a city street. On the left, there are palm trees wrapped in warm white lights. In the center, a road with cars and a bus is visible. On the right, there are modern buildings and tall, ornate streetlights with multiple glowing lamps. A large white geometric graphic, resembling a stylized arrow or a series of overlapping triangles, is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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