



HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE COVID19 RESPONSE

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WEBINAR

BIOGRAPHIES OF SPEAKERS

ALLAN MALECHE

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Allan Maleche is the founding Executive Director of Kenya Legal and Ethical Issues Network on HIV and AIDS (KELIN). He serves as a member of the Developing Country NGO Delegation to the Board of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria, and serves on the Board's Audit and Finance Committee. In Kenya, Allan has used the legal framework to safeguard the rights of communities affected by HIV & TB through litigating landmark cases, including *Daniel Ng'etich and Others v The Honourable Attorney General and Others*, which successfully argued against incarceration of persons with tuberculosis as a public health measure; *KELIN and Others v The Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Health and Others*, which seeks to overturn a directive by the President requiring real-name registration of children living with HIV; and Petitions 605 and 606 of 2014 on forced and coerced sterilisation of women living with HIV. A former fellow at the FXB Center for Health and Human rights at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Allan holds a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Nairobi, and a Diploma in Gender and Human Rights from Uppsala University. In 2018, he won the Elizabeth Taylor Human Rights Award, and in 2019 KELIN won the Kochon Prize for contributions to the global response to TB. In 2016, he was named Kenya's Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year.

SHEN TINGTING

HIV/AIDS and Human Rights Expert



Shen Tingting is a prominent HIV/AIDS and human rights advocate based in Beijing, China, and serves as a member of the UNAIDS Reference Group on HIV and Human Rights. From 2012 to 2020, she was the Director of Advocacy, Research and Policy at Asia Catalyst, in which she led Asia Catalyst's advocacy work on the right to health for marginalised communities through research, policy analysis, strategic lobbying and representation. Prior to that, she was the Deputy Director of Dongjien Center for Human Rights Education and Action, where she co-founded the first legal aid project for people living with HIV/AIDS and marginalised groups in China, and established the first outreach program for female sex workers in Beijing. She holds a master's degree in social security from Renmin University of China.

EMILY CHRISTIE

Senior Advisor on Human Rights and Law, UNAIDS



Emily Christie is the Senior Adviser for Human Rights and Law at UNAIDS, the Secretariat to the Joint Programme on HIV/AIDS. Emily works extensively on the rights of key populations and vulnerable groups and the development of policy and guidance. She advises on law, policy reform and programme development with a particular focus on criminal laws. Prior to working at UNAIDS, Emily Christie worked as the Senior Associate for human rights at the law firm DLA Piper where her clients included UN agencies, international and national NGOs, governments and civil society organisations. Her areas of expertise include right to

health, women's rights, gender identity and sexual orientation, child rights and access to justice. Emily has a graduate degree in law and a Masters of International Public Health.

RAJAT KHOSLA

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Rajat Khosla presently works as Human Rights Adviser for Department of Sexual and Reproductive Health Research at the World Health Organization. He is a lawyer by training and specialises on issues related to global development, health and human rights. Over the last twenty years he has worked on these issues with WHO, UNDP, Amnesty International, UNFPA and most recently for the OHCHR. He has worked within the specific context of countries in Asia, Africa and Europe and led development of global and national policies in this regard.

MEG DAVIS (Moderator)

Special Advisor, Strategy and Partnerships, Global Health Centre



Meg Davis, Ph.D., is Special Advisor at the Global Health Centre of the Graduate Institute. She is also coordinator of courses on sexual violence in conflicts and emergencies at the Geneva Centre for Education and Research in Humanitarian Action. Meg was the first senior human rights advisor at the Global Fund; the founder and executive director of Asia Catalyst, a health and human rights NGO; and a researcher on China at Human Rights Watch. She earned her Ph.D. from University of Pennsylvania. Her second book, *The Uncounted: Politics of Data in Global Health* will be published by Cambridge University Press in June 2020.