

Foreword

The articles presented in this volume are the first part of the results of the “Leaders for Justice Workshop” which took place in Entebbe, Uganda, from the 26th to 27th July 2024. The workshop, which was organised by the Rule of Law Program for Anglophone Sub-Saharan Africa of Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, brought together lawyers from DR Congo, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda to discuss current issues of investments in Africa.

The workshop focused on “Investments in Africa in the 21st Century, Key Legal Issues, Challenges und Prospects”. As in 2023 also this year four post-graduate students from the Tanzanian-German Centre for Eastern African Legal Studies participated and shared their thoughts in this workshop.

In this “Leaders for Justice Workshop” the importance of a reliable legal framework for investments in Africa was debated.

Most of the Participants have professional experience as advocates in private practice, in companies and institutions or as judges and lecturers. Very vivid debates between participants from West African and East African countries and from South Africa helped to identify challenges, possible solutions and best practices.

The discussion that was based on presentations by all the participants and which subsequently enriched the articles herein, sought once again,

- to identify best practices and to learn from different national experiences with investments in Africa;
- to encourage the search for African solutions and to profit from lessons learnt in different African regions towards the attainment of a better framework for investments;
- to discuss measures to reduce corruption.

This volume presents the participants’ insights in written form either as articles or as reports.

Zoe Richard Mauki, Uganda, gave a detailed description of “Sand Mining in Uganda: Strengthening the Legal Framework to Combat Corruption and Environmental Destruction and Attract Better Foreign Investments”.

Theresa U Akpoghome and Nkechinyere H. Worluh-Okolie, Nigeria, present on “Evaluation of the Anti-Corruption Laws and Measures on Investment in Nigeria”.

Rosette Umutohiwase, from Rwanda shared insights on “Strengthening Investment Climates through Governance Reforms: Insights from Rwanda”.

Jackline Asiimwe, Uganda, examines “Investment laws, challenges and prospects in Uganda”.

Violla Nabawanda, Uganda, presented on “Legal issues, challenges and prospects associated with land acquisition for socio-economic development in Uganda”.

Dr. Kweku Ainuson and Prosper Batariwah write on “Towards the establishment of a mineral resource fund in Ghana: A critical review of the Mineral Income Investment Fund in Ghana”.

Josephine Poni John Geri, South Sudan, presented on “Emergency and protection of investment in Africa: exploring human rights approach of investment in Republic of South Sudan”.

The article by *Peter Adolfu Shayo*, is titled “Investment in the Mining Sector: Revisiting the Challenges and Prospects in Tanzania”.

Bwabire Chibembe Daniel, gave his presentation on “Investments in DR Congo, Challenges and Prospects”.

All articles demonstrate the willingness of a young generation of African lawyers to share their thoughts and to engage in the future of their continent.

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