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## INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION DIRECTORATE

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Venue: Rabat, Morocco

### MEDIA ADVISORY

#### The 7<sup>th</sup> Edition of the African Transitional Justice Forum

#### INVITATION TO THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA

**WHAT:** The Department of Political Affairs and Peace and Security (PAPS) at the African Union Commission (AUC), the Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation (CSVr) and the National Human Rights Council of Morocco (CNDH), will be hosting the Seventh Edition of the African Transitional Justice Forum from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2023 in Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco.

Since the inaugural African Transitional Justice Forum in 2017, the TJ Forum has probed the state of transitional justice in Africa. It aims to foster comprehensive reflections and discussions on the continent's advancements, innovations, shortcomings, and challenges in addressing the diverse range of obstacles faced by African people. As a multi-stakeholder platform that brings about African states, TJ experts and practitioners, NHRIs, CSOs, RECs, AU organs, and victims' networks.

In line with the AU Theme of the Year and the Commemoration of 20 years of the Maputo Protocol and the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the OAU, the 7<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Forum will focus on Inclusive and Participatory Governance, Gender Equality and Socio-Economic Justice in Africa. It will also pay particular attention to other emerging issues, progress, and best practices in addressing these issues, thus further pushing the boundaries of transitional justice to provide solutions, shape approach(es) and build tools to address them.

**WHEN:** 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**TIME:** 09:00am (WEST) | 08:00am (WAT) | 10:00am (SAST) | 11:00am (EAT)

**WHERE:** Palais Des Congrès, Rabat, Morocco (All sessions will also be hosted on virtually)

Register in advance to attend virtually:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_IQVljLj1T8ahrQzUFTwFSg](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_IQVljLj1T8ahrQzUFTwFSg)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



## OBJECTIVES:

The Seventh Edition of the African TJ Forum aims to reflect on the state of transitional justice within the ambit of this year theme of “Inclusive and Participatory Governance, Gender Equality and Socio-Economic Justice in Africa” to achieve the following broad objectives of such a multi-stakeholder convening:

1. To provide a multi-stakeholder platform for identifying holistic solutions to the common challenges related to TJ, gender equality and socio-economic justice as well as other emerging issues, and proffering solutions that are rooted in collective and national experiences and reality.
2. To share best practices, Africa’s success TJ experiences on specific themes of the Forum highlighted above, and generate new knowledge to advance a Pan African transitional justice discourse and transform its practice; and
3. To facilitate ongoing interaction and collaboration between policymakers at national, regional and continental levels, civil society, national government stakeholders (at implementation level), the academia and transitional justice experts and practitioners on specific themes of reflection and discussion during the Forum, to aid effective implementation of the AUTJP in Africa.

## PARTICIPANTS:

The Forum will bring together scholars, researchers, practitioners, policymakers, representatives of national human rights institutions, civil society organizations and other interested participants working on TJ issues in Africa

**Hashtag: #TJinAfrica #ATJF2023**

***Journalists are invited to cover the opening session both physically and virtually on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September 2023 at 09:00 AM (WEST)***

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