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**“ACHIEVING THE 2030 AGENDA AND AGENDA 2063: THE RULE OF LAW AS A DRIVER FOR AFRICA’S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”**

**A CONFERENCE CO-HOSTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LAW DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (IDLO) AND THE GOVERNMENT OF TANZANIA**

**June 1-2, 2016**

**Hyatt Regency Dar es Salaam, The Kilimanjaro**

DAR ES SALAAM, May 27, 2016 - African policymakers, government officials, legal experts and civil society leaders will meet in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania from 1-2 June to discuss the rule of law as a driver for sustainable development on the continent.

Co-hosted by the International Development Law Organization (IDLO) and the Government of Tanzania, the meeting will focus on how the rule of law underpins critical development goals and aspirations agreed by the African Union (AU) and the United Nations.

In May 2013, the African Union initiated their 50-year development action plan, Agenda 2063, which lays out the Pan-African vision in seven aspirations. Throughout the continent, as established in Agenda 2063, there is increasing recognition that the rule of law is an indispensable means to promote sustainable development.

In September 2015 the UN General Assembly adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which includes a set of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and 169 corresponding targets. The SDGs will orient the next 15 years of global investment in development priorities, following the Millennium Development Goals.

This Conference, as part of IDLO’s larger Africa Initiative, is intended to provide a platform for participants to engage in strategy and policy discussions, exchange knowledge and experience, and strengthen partnerships within Africa and with the international community.

The meeting will include expert level discussions on:

1. Effective, accountable and inclusive institutions with a focus on the justice sector;
2. Constitution-building and legal reform: strong foundations for sustainable development;
3. Equality and empowerment through access to justice: a view on gender and health;
4. Economic development through the rule of law; and
5. Building partnerships for the future.

The Conference is made possible with the support of the Italian government.

About IDLO

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development and economic opportunity. IDLO works along the spectrum from peace and institution-building to economic recovery in countries emerging from conflict and striving towards democracy. It supports emerging economies and middle-income countries to strengthen their legal capacity and rule of law framework for sustainable development and economic opportunity.

**For media wishing to attend the conference or arrange an interview, please contact Victoria Holdsworth, Media Consultant on +44 773 677 3093 or at [vholdsworth@idlo.int](mailto:vholdsworth@idlo.int).**

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