

**Pan African Lawyers Union Annual Conference Programme**  
**26 – 29 September**  
**Ramada Plaza Hotel, Tunis, Tunisia**

**Conference Theme:** One continent, One People, One Economy: Developing Africa through Continental Free Trade and Movement

[Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2018](#)

- Executive Committee Meeting, Day 1

[Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018](#)

- Executive Committee Meeting, Day 2
- *Registration of Delegates (throughout the day)*

[Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018](#)

- *Registration of Delegates (throughout the day)*

	<b>PALU Governance</b>	<b>Women Lawyers Forum</b> • <i>With the support of UN Women</i>	<b>Other Side-Events</b>
Session 1: 9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	PALU Council Meeting		Illicit Financial Flows (IFF) Task Force Working Meeting (Closed door)
Session 2: 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.	PALU Council Meeting	Panel on Women in the context of Continental Free Trade with following discussion areas:  1. Women in business and socio-economic development 2. Women and cross border trade	Illicit Financial Flows (IFF) Task Force Working Meeting (Closed door)

		<p>3. Devolved governments in the continental free trade area</p> <p>4. Status of women in legal profession in Africa</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Ms. Banu Khan, UN-Women</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms. Rafika Amira, Coordinator – Regional Integration North Africa, Africa Development Bank (AFDB);</li><li>• H.E. Susan Kikwai, Deputy Governor, Kericho County, Kenya;</li><li>• Ms. Kany Diakite</li><li>• Ms. Jane Mukangira</li></ul>	
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<p>Session 3: 2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.</p>	<p>PALU General Assembly, Part 1</p>	<p>UN Women “Study on opportunities for women entrepreneurs in the context of the African Continental Free Trade Area”: Background, Objectives and Methodology</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Mr. Chris Muthuri</p> <p><b>Presenter:</b> Ms. Talumba Banda, UN Women Consultant</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hon. Esther Muthoni Passaris, Member of Parliament, Kenya</li> <li>• Prof. Kotin Marie Therese, Mali</li> <li>• Me Narjes Bouallegue, Tunisia</li> </ul>	
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**6.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. – Opening Ceremony**

*Mistress of Ceremonies: Mrs. Gigi Reid-Miles, Deputy Secretary General, Pan African Lawyers Union (PALU)*

- **Welcome Remarks:** Mr. Ameer Meherzi, Bâtonnier, Ordre national des avocats de Tunisie (ONAT), Tunis, Tunisie
- **Opening Remarks:** Mr. Elijah Chola Banda SC, President, Pan African Lawyers Union (PALU)
- **Brief Remarks:**
  - President of the National Order of Advocates of Algeria
  - President of the National Order of Advocates of Morocco
  - President of the Arab Lawyers Union
- **Guest of Honour:** Hon. Mr. Ghazi Jeribi, Minister of Justice of the Republic of Tunisia
- **Continental Dialogue on Free Trade and Free Movement**  
**Moderator:** Me Lamia Mansouri

**Panel:**

- Ms. Maureen Achieng, Head of the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) Liaison Office to the African Union (AU)
- Dr. Francis Mangeni, Director - Trade, Customs and Monetary Affairs Common Market for Eastern & Southern Africa (COMESA)
- Mr. Abdourahmane Diaw, Officer-in-Charge, Regional Development and Business Delivery, African Development Bank (AfDB)

**8.00 p.m. – Opening Reception, hosted by the Tunisian Bar**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

- *Registration of remaining Delegates (throughout the day)*

	<b>Section on Business Law (SBL)</b>	<b>Section on Legal Practice (SLP)</b>	<b>Section on Public Interest and Development Law (SPIDEL)</b>
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Co-hosted with the East Africa Law Society (EALS), with support from the Raoul Wallenberg Institute for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (RWI)</i></li> </ul>
Session 1: 9.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	<p>The African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Agreement: provisions, prospects, challenges and the Way Forward</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Mr. Abdeljelil Bouraoui, Former President, National Order of Advocates of Tunisia (ONAT)</p> <p><b>Keynote Presenter:</b> Dr. Francis Mangeni, Director - Trade, Customs and Monetary Affairs</p>		<p><b>Session Chair:</b> Mr. Abdessattar Ben Moussa, Former President National Order of Advocates of Tunisia (ONAT)</p> <p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Elijah Chola Banda (SC), President, PALU</li> <li>• Mr. Richard Mugisha, President, EALS</li> <li>• Representative from the RWI</li> </ul>

	<p>Common Market for Eastern &amp; Southern Africa (COMESA)</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Nicole Kears, Knowledge and Strategic Development Advisor, African Legal Support Facility (ALSF)</li> <li>Prof. Abdulla Idriss, Associate Professor of Law, University of Khartoum</li> </ul>		<p><b>Presentation on:</b> Recent developments in the African Human Rights System (AHRs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Don Deya, Chief Executive Officer, PALU</li> </ul> <p><b>Q and A</b></p>
<p><b>10.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. Health Break</b></p>			
<p>Session 2: 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.</p>	<p>The Freedom of Movement (FOM) Protocol: provisions, prospects, challenges and the Way Forward</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Ms. Paulette Oyane-Ondo, Vice Chairperson, African Court Coalition (ACC)</p> <p><b>Keynote Presenter:</b> Dr. Olabisi Dare, Head, Humanitarian Migration and Refugee Division, Department of Political Affairs, African Union Commission (DPA AUC)</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Maureen Achieng, Head of International Organisation for Migration (IOM) Liaison</li> </ul>	<p>Combatting Illicit Financial Flows (IFFs) from Africa: State-of-play</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Convened by the PALU IFF Task Force</i></li> <li><i>With financial support from the Financial Transparency Coalition (FTC) and the Open Society Foundations – Africa Regional Office (OSF-AfRO)</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Mr. Jean Mballa Mballa, Director – CRADEC Cameroon</p> <p><b>Presenters:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hon. Irene Ovonji-Odida, Member of the High-Level Panel on IFFs from Africa</li> </ul>	<p>A brief overview of the system of execution of the European Court of Human Rights' Judgments</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Ms. Brenda Kombo, Senior Programme Manager - RWI</p> <p><b>Keynote Presenter:</b> Prof Attila Teplan</p> <p><b>Q and A</b></p>

	<p>Office to the African Union (AU)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Ibrahima Kane, African Union Advocacy Director, Open Society Foundations (OSF)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Asha Ramgobin, Executive Director – Human Rights Development Initiative</li> <li>Mr. Charles Goredema, Consultant – Informed Solutions to Economic Crime in Africa (ISECA)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>1.00 p.m. – 2.00 p.m. Lunch Break</b></p>			
<p>Session 3: 2.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.</p>	<p>The Single African Air Space Agreement (SAATAM): provisions, prospects, challenges and the Way Forward</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Ms. Aicha Boudiaf  <b>Keynote Presenter:</b> Mr. Peter Amaleboba, Legal Adviser, African Civil Aviation Commission (AfCAC)</p> <p><b>Discussant:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. David Kajange, Head, Transport and Tourism Division, Infrastructure and Energy Department, African Union Commission (AUC)</li> </ul>	<p>Scaling up the fight against corruption and illicit financial flows (IFFs) from Africa: Importance of effective oversight in moving lawyers from enablers to champions</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Mr. Michael Otieno, Chair – Tax Justice Network Africa (TJNA)</p> <p><b>Presenters:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Chawki Tabib, Chair of Tunisian Anti-Corruption Commission</li> <li>Mr. Selemani Kinyunyu, African Union Advisory Board on Corruption (AU-ABC)</li> <li>Ms. Rachael Yvonne Mendy, President, Gambian Bar Association</li> </ul>	<p>Implementation of Decisions of the East African Court of Justice (EACJ)</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Hon. Justice Dr. Emmanuel Ugirashebuja, President, EACJ  <b>Keynote Presenter:</b> Mr. Hannington Amol – CEO, EALS</p> <p><b>Q and A</b></p>
<p>Session 4: 4.00 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.</p>	<p>Stakeholders' Consultation: Towards the next Strategic Plan of PALU</p>		<p>Implementation of Decisions of Community Court of Justice of the</p>

	<p><b>Chair:</b> Mr. Elijah Chola Banda SC, President, Pan African Lawyers Union (PALU)</p> <p><b>Presenter:</b> Mr. Francis Aywa, Lucid Options Consulting</p>	<p>Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS CCJ)</p> <p><b>Session Chair:</b> Hon. Athanase Atannon, Deputy Chief Registrar, ECCJ</p> <p><b>Keynote Presenter:</b> Anita Alfred Kyaruzi, - PALU</p> <p><b>Q and A</b></p>
<p><b>5.30 – 6.00 p.m.: Conference Closing Ceremony</b></p> <p><b>Presided over by Hon. Mr. Zied Ladhari, Minister for Development, Investment and International Co-operation of the Republic of Tunisia</b></p>		
<p><b>7.00 p.m. Gala Dinner, at Sidi Bou Said, hosted by the Tunisian Bar</b></p>		

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

<p>9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. PALU General Meeting</p>
<p>1.00 p.m. – 2.00 p.m. Lunch</p>
<p>2.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. Working Session between the outgoing and incoming Executive Committee (Closed door/ invitation only)</p>
<p>2.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. The touristic options</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Golf Tournament</b>, at a PGA-accredited golf course.</li> </ol>

2. **Bardo National Museum**, one of the most impressive museums in the world for Roman mosaics, and second only to the Cairo Museum in Africa for the richness of its collection, and the **Medina of Tunis**, to contemplate centuries of Mediterranean splendours.
3. **Ruins of Carthage**, which will give you a glimpse of the past grandeur of this millennial civilization; combined with a visit of **Sidi Bou Said**, the city of white and blue, which will leave you mesmerised.

**7.00 p.m. – Young Advocates' Night Out**