

JOURNEY JOURNEY TO JUSTICE JUSTICE





Rule of Law Program for
Sub-Saharan Africa

**Konrad Adenauer Foundation,
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(Anglophone Countries)**

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JOURNEY TO JUSTICE

Justice for One is Justice for All

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Journey to Justice seeks to make a contribution to the promotion and advancement of the Rule of Law and Human Rights in Kenya and beyond. It is dedicated to the citizens of Sub-Saharan Africa.

With compliments

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Stefanie Rothenberger'.

Dr. Stefanie Rothenberger

Director, KAS Rule of Law Program
for Anglophone Sub-Saharan Africa

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Production Details

Type of Documentary

Human Stories/Political/ Social/Legal

Name of Documentary

Journey to Justice

Length of Documentary

35 Minutes

Format

Resolution, aspect ratio 16:9



Dr. Stefanie Rothenberger

Director of the Rule of Law Program for Anglophone Sub-Saharan Africa of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation.



“Journey to Justice” was an exceptional project from the start, born out of the passion for law, the love for film and the conviction that you have to address a broad audience in order to create impact with regard to the Rule of Law.

I got the inspiration for this film when I read an article in a German newspaper about a spectacular Kenyan court ruling in an environmental law case where a local community had managed to have their rights successfully enforced.

When I took up my position in Kenya in October 2020, I started asking people about this case and I was surprised that it was hardly known to Kenyan citizens. Soon I found out about more cases of this kind in Kenya and the whole region and I decided that the

brave journey of these citizens towards justice could be an inspiration for others and that an educative documentary film on how to achieve access to justice would be the perfect tool to raise citizens' awareness in this regard. In Ravi Karmalkar I found a wonderful film maker and in Kenyatta University Law School and its committed law students a great project partner in order to embark on our “Journey to Justice”.

It is a journey that is meant to make a meaningful contribution to the promotion and strengthening of the Rule of Law and Human Rights in Sub-Saharan Africa, which is a core mission the Konrad Adenauer Foundation Rule of Law Program has been strongly and successfully committed to ever since.





Dr. Faith Kabata

Ag. Dean, Kenyatta University
School of Law



When KAS approached Kenyatta University School of Law to partner in the film, the idea was fascinating. First for its novelty: educating the public on access to justice through film making.

We often view law as

authoritative and intimidating, while film is viewed as amusing and pleasurable.

The idea that somewhat complex legal principles in environmental and constitutional law could be deconstructed and presented as visual and pleasant representations was worth exploring. In addition, the idea of giving actual communities, ordinary people a voice to tell stories and narrate how they mobilized at grassroots level to achieve justice in the two cases was empowering both to the communities and to other audiences.

Eager to learn and do something new, we immediately embarked on getting ten (10) students to be part of the film making project. The reception of the film project by students was heartening. The students immediately set out conducting background research in the two cases, including meeting and interviewing the communities involved. They also worked with the filmmaker Ravi Karmalker to synthesize legal concepts into every day speak.

This is what “Journey to Justice” has been for us at Kenyatta University School of Law. We are grateful to Dr. Stefanie Rothenberger for having considered us as a partner in the project and for affording us an opportunity to contribute to the KAS Rule of Law Program in Sub-Saharan Africa.



Logline

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Synopsis

As this film project is aimed at addressing citizens not only in Kenya but in the whole region, a subject was chosen that is of major importance to all countries in Sub-Saharan Africa, the enforcement of Environmental Justice. Although many countries in the region recognize the right to a clean and healthy environment as enshrined in Article 24 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights, the region faces grave environmental problems and the continuous exploitation of natural resources keeps on undermining citizens' environmental rights.

Kenya, as many countries in the region, explicitly anchors environmental rights in its Constitution. Journey to Justice follows two major landmark environmental law cases in Kenya, the Lake Turkana case and the Lamu Port case. The film features, among others, people of the affected communities, advocates for the cases, and high ranking representatives of the judiciary.

The project aims to increase citizens' awareness and understanding of their constitutional rights. It aspires to inspire and enable them to become defenders of their rights. Thus, the film focuses on the various measures citizens must take to have access to justice and have their rights enforced.

The film was produced with the assistance of a renowned documentary filmmaker who specializes in educational, behaviour-change filmmaking. Our objective is to screen the film not only in Kenya, but throughout the Sub-Saharan region, in order to address one of the key hurdles to implementing the Rule of Law and Human Rights: citizens' often insufficient awareness of their rights and how to access and achieve justice.

We are of the conviction that positive change with regard to the Rule of Law can only be achieved by getting a broad audience on board not only including citizens but also legal experts and policy makers. Film as a tool bears the unique opportunity of reaching out to these groups at large scale and of conveying a clear and impactful message for the sake of the promotion of the Rule of Law in the region and beyond.



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Meet the Narrators
Meet the Interviewees

Meet the Narrators



Kenyatta University Law School Students

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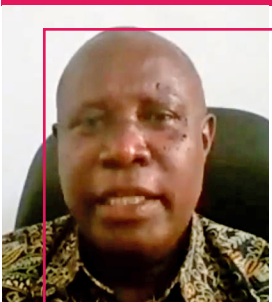
Prince King'ori, Gladys Nyangweso, Martin Kioko, Rafea Mazrui and Peter Kariuki

Meet the Interviewees



Hon. Chief Justice Emeritus David Maraga

Chief Justice Emeritus and former President of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Kenya (2016 to 2021).



Hon. Judge President Nestor Kayobera

President of the East African Court of Justice, Arusha



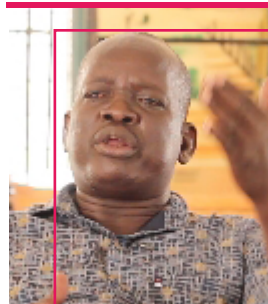
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Founder/Director, Friends of Lake Turkana



Hon. Esther Epetet

Nominated Member of County Assembly (MCA) - Lakezone Lodwar



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Former Chief, Lowarengak (2006)



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Advocate of the High Court of Kenya, Partner ANL Law



Mr. Stephen Ekuwom

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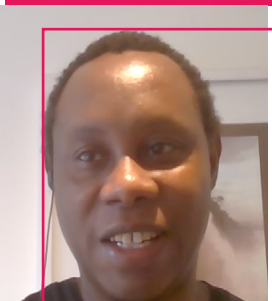
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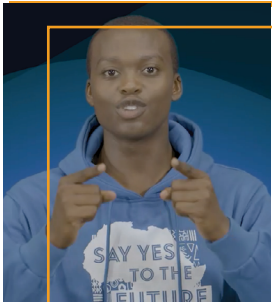
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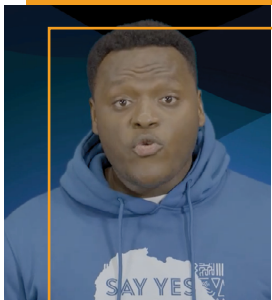
Film Narration

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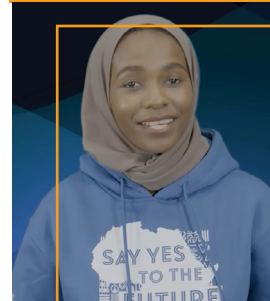
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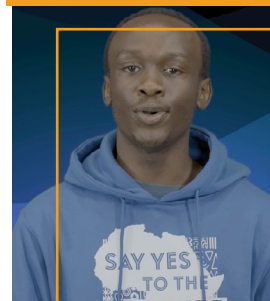
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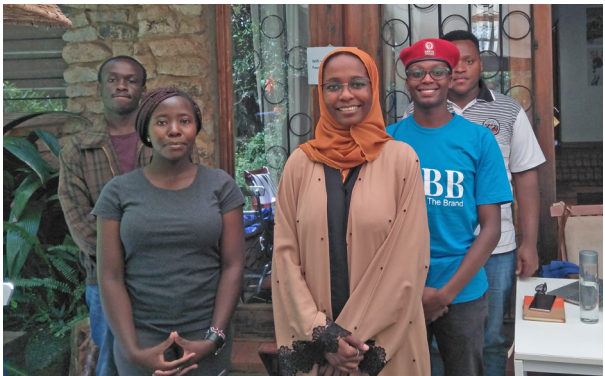
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Director's Statement



Ravi Karmalker

Director, Good Karma Fiction



When KAS approached me with this concept, I was thrilled to learn more about the legal work that went into seeing the cases featured win in court. I enjoyed working on this project to showcase the power of social justice through film.

Journey to Justice is a perfect example of how citizens can take action to fight for their rights and get their government(s) to involve them in projects that affect their livelihoods in the long run.

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