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Technical Advisors Joseph Schechla and Ademofe Oye-Adeniran with participants at the Stakeholders' workshop.

TECHNICAL ADVISOR MISSION

SSA had the privilege of hosting Technical Advisors Joseph Schechla from Habitat International Coalition (HIC) and Ademofe Oye-Adeniran from the Canadian Centre for Housing Rights (CCHR) from 2nd–6th February, 2026 for a focused engagement on International Housing and Land Rights. During their visit, the Technical Advisors met with technical staff, paralegals, and members of the Municipal Development Forum of Entebbe Municipality, where discussions focused on international human rights standards, state obligations and commitments, and the criteria for adequate housing. They also toured Kyigungu to gain first-hand insight into the lived realities within informal settlements. The TAs also participated in a four-day stakeholders' workshop that fostered in-depth dialogue on international human rights legislative frameworks, policy environments and culture, state accountability, the development of policy briefs, and comparative reflections from the Canadian context.

PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING IN JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

From 23 to 27 February, the Project Steering Committee of the Women Spaces Project was hosted by the Social Economic Rights Institute (SERI) in Johannesburg. The gathering brought together partner organizations, including Mazingira Institute based in Kenya, Shelter and Settlements Alternatives (SSA) based in Uganda, the Social Economic Rights Institute (SERI) based in South Africa, and Development Workshop based in Angola. For this year's PSC, Abahlali baseMjondolo and the Inner City Federation were also in attendance, along with a representative from the Human Settlements Department of the Government of South Africa and a representative from the Canadian High Commission in South Africa. A key focus of the meeting was to reflect on the implementation of the project over the past four years in relation to women's rights to land and housing in sub-Saharan Africa.



SSA Programmes Officer (left) and Executive Director (right) during the PSC meeting.

PARALEGAL VISITS

SSA conducted monthly review meetings in the project areas of Entebbe, Mityana, Kayunga, and Kamuli to disburse monthly stipends, verify the disaggregated data submitted the previous month, and monitor paralegals' progress.



Kamuli paralegals (left) and Entebbe paralegals (Right) during February review meetings.

MDF EXCHANGE VISIT

SSA facilitated a learning exchange between the Kamuli Municipal Development Forum (MDF) and the Entebbe Municipal Development Forum (MDF).
During the exchange, the Entebbe MDF showcased their community engagement initiatives, including addressing right-of-way issues for road construction, governance, monitoring of road projects, mediation, and waste management. They highlighted their monthly community clean-up activity, “Bulungi Bwansi”, and community barrazas focused on waste recycling, noting that all their activities are guided by a structured work plan.
The Kamuli MDF also shared their ongoing initiatives, notably the “Keep Kamuli Clean” campaign, which forms part of their waste management strategy.
Key takeaways from the exchange included: Joint proposal development between Entebbe and Kamuli MDFs for resource mobilization and Kamuli MDF to initiate quarterly meetings with their technical staff.
This exchange provided a platform for knowledge sharing, strengthening collaboration and best practices between the two municipal forums.



Entebbe MDF and Kamuli MDF at the Municipal Development Forum exchange in Entebbe

LAUNCH OF THE MUNYONYO LAKE FRONT DETAILED PLAN

The Kampala Capital City Authority (KCCA) has developed a detailed plan for the Munyonyo Lakefront (2025–2030) to modernize the area, focusing on tourism, infrastructure improvement, and improved land use. The plan includes enhancing the Munyonyo Martyrs Shrine—a major Catholic Minor Basilica—and upgrading road networks, including Wavamuno Road and access routes from Entebbe. SSA, as a member of KCCA’s Physical Planning Committee, was represented at the meeting.

STAKEHOLDERS MEETING LAUNCHING THE SECOND PHASE OF CCO ISSUANCE IN KAMULI

SSA under the Women Spaces Project, convened a stakeholders' meeting in the last week of January in Kamuli. The meeting brought together both technical and political leaders from the Kamuli Municipal Council, including representatives from the Area Land Committee, the District Land Board, and the Physical Planning Committee, among others. The purpose of the meeting was to present progress on the implementation of the Women Spaces Project, especially the component of issuance of Certificates of Customary Ownership (CCOs) and the scaling up to 700 CCOs in Kamuli municipality.



SSA staff at the PSC meeting in Johannesburg, South Africa

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Monitoring community paralegals in the women's spaces project areas.
- Radio talk shows
- commemoration of International women's day

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