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5am (New York Time)  
9am (Ghana Time)  
10am (Nigeria Time)  
10am (Tunisia Time)  
11am (South Africa Time)  
11am (Germany Time)  
12pm (Kenya Time)

Presents:

# 2022 International Day of Peace Commemoration

THEME:

“The Relevance of Mediation to  
Youth Peace and Security:  
The Cases of Germany  
and South Africa.”



Moderator:

**Theophilus Ekpon**

Director,  
Centre for Sustainable Development and  
Education in Africa; General Secretary, Africa  
Mediation Association

Guest Speakers:



**Claudia Marile Kuck**

Co-Director of the Consensual  
Dispute Resolution Competition, Vienna  
and Lecturer at the European University  
Viadrina



**David Kabwa**

Prime Minister of the Commonwealth  
Youth Parliament and a Masters Degree  
Student at the Centre for Mediation in Africa  
(CMA), University of Pretoria



**James Mangerere**

President,  
Africa Mediation Association and Distinguished  
Fellow, International Academy of Mediators

Partners





## Opening Remarks:

**James Mangerere** is the President of the Africa Mediation Association (AMA). He is a Distinguished Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators (IAM), President of the Mediation Training Institute, and a Senior Advocate of the High Court of Kenya.

## Guest Speakers:

### **Claudia Marile Kuck**

After having completed her law degree at Bucerius Law School Hamburg, Germany, that included a semester abroad at Washington University in the U.S., Ms. Kuck is currently finalizing her PhD thesis on hybrid dispute resolution mechanisms at the European University Viadrina in Frankfurt/Oder. For her research, she spent several months at Singapore Management University. Beside her PhD, Ms. Kuck is an IMI-qualified mediator and working as a lecturer for mediation at European University Viadrina and at Hochschule Fresenius in Hamburg. While studying, She participated in the ICC Mediation Competition Where her team reached the semi-finals. She coached several Bucerius team afterwards. Furthermore, she is part of the founding team and has continuously been involved in the organization of the Bucerius Mediation Competition – an international learning event for students. Since 2022, Ms. Kuck is Co-Director of the Consensual Dispute Resolution Competition Vienna held under the auspices of the International Bar Association and the Vienna International Arbitration Centre.

**David Kabwa** is currently a student at the University of Pretoria pursuing a Master's Degree in Diplomatic Studies under the Centre For Mediation in Africa. He is currently serving as the Country Ambassador for the South Africa to the UNITE 2030 Initiative. Moreover, he is an inaugural member of the African Union Youth For Transitional Justice (AY4TJ) continental platform where he was trained as a youth expert in African Union Transitional Justice Policy (AUTJP) by the AU Department for Political Affairs, Peace and Security. He has also recently been appointed to the board member of the Africa Africa Entrepreneurship and Investment Forum (AAEIF). In 2019, he was elected as the Prime Minister for the Commonwealth Youth Parliament. He was the first African elected to this position where he would oversee the legislative affairs of young people across 54 countries. He also served for two consecutive terms as the Student Representative Council President of the University of Pretoria as an independent where he would oversee 60,000 students across 7 campuses. He was the first President to complete term as an independent. Mr Kabwa has also served as the Chairperson of Second Commission in the Gauteng Youth Sector Parliament. He has also been inducted into the Mail & Guardian Top 200 Youth South Africans and the Junior Chamber International Top 10 Outstanding Young Persons in South Africa in the category of politics. In 2021, he was an inaugural recipient of the Hope Givers Foundation in Association with Brand South Africa and the National Lotteries Commission Raising Legends Award in the category Academia, Advocacy and Leadership for work done to combat Gender-Based Violence through the Boy-Child Initiative.

## Moderator:

**Theophilus Ekpon** is the Director of the Centre for Sustainable Development and Education in Africa (CSDEA), General Secretary of the Africa Mediation Association, co-Chair of the Knowledge Management Taskforce of the Global Coalition on Youth Peace and Security, and co-Chair of the Nigeria Coalition on Youth Peace and Security. Mr. Ekpon is a former Chair of the Executive Committee of the Global Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS), and presently serves on the Executive Committee of CSPPS. He is a Research Fellow and Chair of the board of the Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs, United States International University. He had previously worked for the UN in New York and Nigeria.



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