

# 2<sup>nd</sup> nalafem SUMMIT

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## REPORT

1st - 2nd July 2023  
Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya



THEME

JUSTICE. TRUST. ACCOUNTABILITY



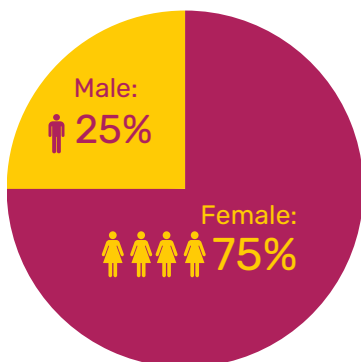


The Nalafem Summit established itself as one of the key young-feminist-led strategic conferences on the frontlines of women and girls liberation. Politicians, government officials, parliamentarians, diplomats, policy-makers, and activists gathered in **Nairobi 1-2 July 2023** to reflect on the theme of **Justice, Trust and Accountability for Gender Commitments**

**2nd Nalafem Summit** was co-hosted by the **Judiciary of Kenya and Nala Feminist Collective**



While specific recommendations differed in detail, the conference delivered a unified message of end the pandemic of Sexual and Gender Based Violence. Similarly, policymakers and activists expressed their strong condemnation to the push back on sexual reproductive health and rights, Maputo Protocol and the need for more young women into politics to legislate and protect progressive policies



**Audience**

Age 18-75

**52** speakers

**219** participants

**37** countries

**7** side events/workshops

**14** partners





# JUSTICE

## BRIDGE POLICY & IMPLEMENTATION



# Keynote

## Hon Justice Martha Koome, EGH

Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya

**Moderator:** Janet Mbugua, Founder and CEO of Inua Dada



The opening Keynote Address echoed the grounding of the Summit, young women want progress, they want to own their narrative and they want to be in partnerships and spaces which celebrate intergenerational greatness. This session mobilized for better understanding of SGBV courts which were created to ensure the dignity of survivors. These courts were piloted in Shanzu, and 10 other counties, an SGBV Strategy was additionally launched.

Justice should be felt and be a tool to enable us to be treated and treat everyone in a way that empowers them to know they matter. In order for this to happen everyone must be empowered to know their rights, to claim their rights, to defend their rights, to stand for their rights and enjoy the full potential of their life and the promises in their Constitution.

During this dialogue with Chief Justice, SGBV survivors were able to ask questions, raise challenges and propose solutions and pathways for the effective implementation of SGBV courts.

Some of the challenges raised is that moving through the legal system for SGBV cases is expensive and re-traumatizing. Laws are not enough without implementation and awareness. Implementation and awareness must work together to dismantle the conditioning of men to believe when they see women or girls that they are sexual objects.



# Sexual & Gender Based Violence Courts, How do we Access Justice?

**Moderator:** Rosebell Kagumire, Nala Council member (Uganda)

Justice means healing, it means having a safe space so processes need to be safe. This session zoomed into Kenya and highlighted SGBV courts as a structure to make Justice more accessible. These courts are proposed to be mindful of the sensitivity of the issue and to center the women’s healing as part of justice. It brought together judges, Survivors, Community Organizations and the Office of the President.



“It is about time our countries declare SGBV a pandemic so that we can all take dealing with it very seriously”.

**Hon Lady Justice Agnes Murgor, JA - President of International Association of Women Judges**



“Are we even engaging with survivors? where are the resources? We have the laws but they are not enough.”

**Wangu Kanja - Founder of Wangu Kanja Foundation**

### Take Aways:

- SGBV is a crime! It is a violation!
- Survivors at the center and forefront, communities involved to prevent SGBV
- A coordination mechanism needs to be established to work for the survivors at Health, Security and Justice and ensure they are treated with respect at all the stems leading to the courts.
- At every stage from reporting at hospitals or police stations to judgment, all actors need to be held accountable
- Justice is ensuring the structural causes that existed that permitted the sexual violence to take place should be dealt with

“Justice is ensuring that the conditions that permitted the sexual violence to take place should be dealt with.”



**H.E Betty Murungi - Professor of Practice and Transitional Justice Expert**

“ There is a really long journey before we get to the courtroom full of gender based discrimination”



**Christine Alai, Co-Founder, Utu Wetu Trust**



“The Office of the Women’s Rights Advisor is going to bring coordination, see the gaps within the different agencies, and call them to action.”

**Florence Machio, Office of President’s Advisor on Women’s Rights**



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**INTERGENERATIONAL  
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it's time for co-leadership

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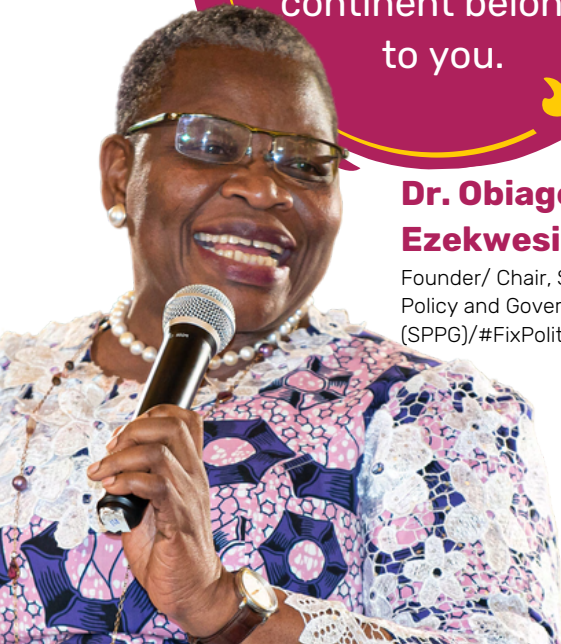


# Fireside Chats

“The handover has happened, the stage of the continent belongs to you.”

## Dr. Obiageli Katryn Ezekwesili

Founder/ Chair, School of Politics, Policy and Governance (SPPG)/ #FixPolitics



● **Moderator:** Oluwaseun Ayodeji Osowobi, Nala Council member (Nigeria)

The discussion unpacked the Governance gap is due to the hijacking of the decision making spaces which are not inclusive. In these spaces there is no accountability. To achieve quality of growth and development, we need soundness of policies; institutions and the rule of law; quality of prioritization of basic goods and services that are invested in human capital and development. Women are needed in these spaces because the decisions that arise from them when they are there are progressive. We need to urgently design pathways that will take women into politics. There needs to be more women in parliament and in executive authority.

### Call to Action:

We need to be deliberate about designing systematic ways and pathways for women to come into politics with the power that those positions provide.

● **Moderator:** Aya Chebbi, Founder & President of Nalafem Collective

The discussion unpacked the multinational spaces are relevant but not in the current format. There is growing exploitation of smaller countries even with processes put in place that are meant to make it equal. Africa is more than a quarter the number of member states in the UN but doesn't have the power in the system. Those with money always win even if they are the minority.

SGBV is in every aspect of life, women in politics, school, home, place of work, church. GBV is a pandemic that requires that level of seriousness to put everything aside to eradicate it. Unless we eradicate GBV any progress achieved with gender equality will not be sustainable. The language around SGBV needs to be reframed to center perpetrators. It is violence of men against women. Number of men who rape.

“Calibrate yourself so you are someone who stands for society but also someone that belongs to society”

## Dr. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka

Former Deputy President of South Africa, former UN Women Executive Director



### Call to Action:

Be part of institutions that are problem-solving. Be part of something that doesn't give you a payback but you enjoy.



# Building Trust: Young Women Rising into Politics

**Moderator:** Hon. Emma Inamutilla Theofelus, Nala Council member (Namibia)



“On average you have to ask a woman 12 times to run for office before she runs for office. Every single one of us deserves to be in those spaces of power and those rooms that decide what happens to our bodies and our communities”.

**Rana Abdelhamid,**  
2022 New York congressional candidate,  
Nala Council member (USA/Egypt)

Bridging the generational leadership gap means building trust. Multigenerational approach can ensure continuity and inclusion. Young feminists need to engage in politics to be disruptors and shake tables. People are losing trust in government, leadership, and in their communities’ ability to sustain themselves.

## Take Aways:

- We no longer have the luxury to not be in politics as young feminists. Keep asking women to run for office
- Invest in young women’s campaigns to be financially independent and avoid being controlled.
- Dismantle charity model when advocating for disability inclusion in politics
- Recognize and acknowledge when you are speaking from a point of privilege.

“We need to deliberately move from advocacy into politics”.

**Aisha Yesufu,**  
Founder Citizen’s Hub, (Nigeria),  
Nala Council member



“There is an attitude towards disabled people as charitable model, let’s go help them! So it is hard to disassociate from someone who is seen as weak, aspiring to take up public leadership and holding resources”

**Wanja Maina,**  
Kenyan Disability Rights  
Activist & Politician (Kenya)



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# ACCOUNTABILITY

BRIDGE GRASSROOTS &  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL



# Accountability for sexual and reproductive health and rights; Why the Push Back?

**Moderator:** Rosebell Kagumire, Nala Council member (Uganda)

We curated this timely conversation because women's bodies are being debated and concerted effort is being made to take away their autonomy over their bodies. Imposed politicization of bodies of women and use of 'African values' to justify the regression in laws and their implementation. This agenda which is being funded and pushed by anti-rights individuals and organizations from outside the continent needs to be openly addressed.



“We are at a war. Our bodies are at war right now. A war that has to be fought using every single breathe that we have for bodily autonomy”.

**Saoyo Tabitha Griffith**  
Lawyer, health & human rights activist (Kenya)

“In Malawi every month 1000 girls are dying from unsafe abortions. It is unnecessary. It can be prevented.”



**Hon. Dr Mathew Ngwale,**  
Member of Parliament (Malawi)

## Take Aways:

- Speak up about young people's rights and agency in accessing contraception and other sexual and reproductive health services
- Feminist and women's rights organizations need to be in solidarity with queer women
- Highlight the wins and celebrate them to ensure they remain
- Work with and in government and other allies, get organized and strategic, as those that are working to remove SRHR
- The conceptualization and implementation of accountability should be at all levels, within our organizations and communities, and at intergovernmental institutions.

“Majority of the data around SRHR were either produced by multilateral institutions or academics, without the voices of adolescent girls at the core of it”.



**Olaoluwa Abagun,**  
Executive Director, ATHENA NETWORK (Nigeria)



“Exclusive capitalism is toxic and patriarchy is acidic and our silence collectively or individually will not keep any one of us safe.”

**Irungu Houghton,**  
Executive Director, Amnesty International Kenya



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# I AM NALA SPOTLIGHT

“Femicide is deeply rooted in the tragic manifestation of misogyny. Tunisia is experiencing an alarming surge of this crime”

**Ikram Ben Said (Tunisia)**



“It’s not enough for policies to change. Oppressive systems need to change, people need to change in order for justice to be achieved.”

**Zulaikha Patel (South Africa)**



“Grassroot feminist women are always the first respondents to sexual and gender based violence but sometimes they are threatened. Their lives are in danger. They end up running away from home because they are living in the same community and the perpetrators can easily access them.”

**Rose Mbone (Kenya)**



“You are a cub of a lion. You are a gift. You are Nala. So if you ever feel like, you, your ideas are not good enough. Remember all you have to do is Roar.”

**Maryam Bukar Hassan (Nigeria)**



“As parents we can not wait for institutions to catch up with us. In our homes that is where the power is. Our kids must be educated and empowered and it starts with us parents agitating for that change.”

**Zainab Nasser & Cedric Nzomo (Kenya)**



“Be you. Do you. Go shine because its your right and its your time.”

**Dahabo Guracha (Kenya)**







# Nalafem Learning Village



“Explore the things that you value and care about as a women and make sure that you are pushing those agendas within those spaces no matter what your age is”.

**Valerie Wiggett,**  
Director of Career Programs , African Leadership Academy (South Africa)



“There are those who have walked the feminist path before not only from a place of theory and concept but also actually living it and testing it.”



**Shuvai Busuman Nyoni,**  
Executive Director of the African Leadership Centre



“The university is a very male dominated space, very patriarchal, very challenging. we have to start thinking how do we as feminists make this a space for us. ”



**Dr Njoki Wamai,**  
Assistant Professor United, States International University-Africa



“The messages shared during the summit have encouraged us to trust ourselves, trust each other and have trust in the change that we can bring”



**Sunita Caminha,**

UN Women Kenya, Policy Specialist - Ending Violence against Women • UN Women East and Southern Africa Regional Office



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# Side Events/Workshops



**Demand 2**  
CRIMINALIZE GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

## Criminalising Gender Based Violence - Hosted by UN Women

The workshop on the prevention of gender-based violence created a learning platform for participants to deepen their understanding of the diverse and growing evidence-based prevention and interventions taking place throughout Africa. It provided an opportunity to access resource materials, share experiences, and discuss advocacy strategies to foster increased investments in prevention efforts across the region.



**Demand 10**  
INTERGENERATIONAL CO-LEADERSHIP

## Intergenerational Co-Leadership - Hosted by the African Leadership Academy

This side event was a workshop set up that provided a safe space for discussion about the challenges and opportunities for young people. Participants shared their experiences and heard interventions by elders. They discussed ways to integrate intergenerational spaces and platforms for co-leadership.



**Demand 6**  
MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

## Mental Health & Well Being - Hosted by The Girl Generation

The session led by activists explored wellness, collective care and practical sessions (exercises and development of individual self-care plans). Participants were introduced to a number of wellbeing tools and a solidarity space to enable participants to rebuild and strengthen their wellness and wellbeing.



**Demand 8**  
DIGITAL JUSTICE

## Digital Justice - Hosted by Siasa

The digital clinic deepened the participants' understanding of the Digital Ecosystem, Digital Rights in the Kenyan Context, Cyber Security and Dealing with trauma among other issues related to women's safety online. The Digital Clinic increased awareness, developed knowledge skills, fostered collaboration, empowered individuals to influence policy discussions.



**Demand 9**  
SILENCING THE GUNS

## Silencing the Guns - Hosted by UN Women

The workshop provided Participants with a platform for young women to showcase their contributions to promoting peace and security in Africa and garner policy makers commitment through advocacy efforts. The dialogue had the participation of representatives from Member States, the AU, young women peacebuilders, and youth advocates



**Demand 4**  
ACCESS TO JUSTICE & PROTECTION

## Access to Justice and Protection - Hosted by Action Aid

The workshop provided a platform to unpack access to justice and protection and pathways for diverse stakeholders engagement.



# Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights (Africa Regional Consultation)

Hosted by **ATHENA & Nalafem**



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It was a multilingual, hybrid space with interpretation to French and English.

**22** participants

**6** African countries



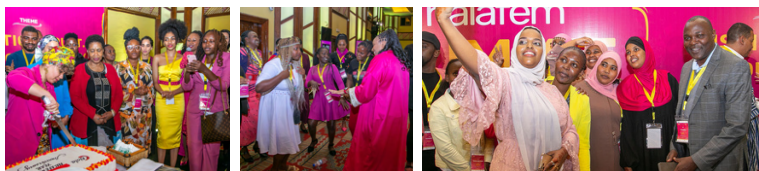
## OUTCOME

- GEF for most grassroots and community organizations is not relevant as they either do not know about it or understand how they can use it and to access the commitments made especially finances
- There is a need for Africa specific indicators that take into consideration the context in the continent
- Accountability data needs to be incorporate stories which unpack the lived experiences of women and girls that are not included in statistical data
- Government commitments need to be framed as state commitments to prevent commitments being dismissed due to power change
- The gap between UN Women and feminist organizations needs to be bridged and the accountability process needs to be more transparent





# 2nd Nalafem Anniversary Celebration



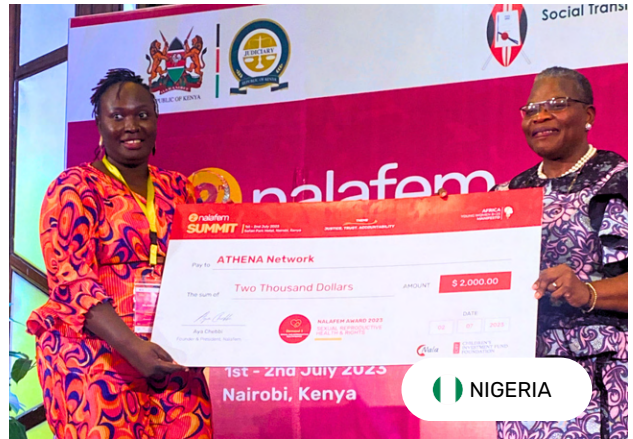


# Nalafem Award Ceremony & Gala Dinner



**NIGERIA**

**Dr. Obiageli Katryn Ezekwesili** receives NALAFEM AWARD 2023 for her commitment to Intergenerational Co-leadership



**NIGERIA**

**ATHENA Network** receives NALAFEM AWARD 2023 On Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights



**SOUTH AFRICA**

**Dr. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka**, Former UN Women Executive Director receives NALAFEM AWARD 2023 for her commitment to Intergenerational Co-leadership



**SOUTH AFRICA**

**The Amazon Leadership Initiative** receives NALAFEM AWARD 2023 on Ending Gender Discrimination



**WENDY KAY**  
Live Performance



**AKOTH**  
Live Performance





# Nalafem Award Ceremony & Gala Dinner



KENYA

**Hon Justice Martha Koome, EGH**, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya receives NALAFEM AWARD 2023 for her leadership on advancing Access to Justice & Protection



KENYA

**Siasa Place** receives NALAFEM AWARD 2023 on Intergenerational Co-leadership



MALAWI

**Hon. Dr Mathew Ngwale**, Member of Parliament of Malawi receives 2023 NALAFEM AWARD for his leadership in advancing Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights



MALAWI

**Young Women's Consortium** receives 2023 NALAFEM AWARD On Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights



NALAFEM Partner of the Year Award  
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**JUDICIARY TO ESTABLISH SPECIALIZED SGBV COURTS ACROSS COUNTRY**

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**GOVERNMENTS ASKED TO HELP SGBV VICTIMS TO EASILY ACCESS JUSTICE**

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**CJ KOOME URGE COURTS TO SPEED UP SEXUAL AND GBV OFFENSES CASES**

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**ACTIVISTS AT THE FOREFRONT FOR JUSTICE FOR SGBV VICTIMS**

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**LOBBY GROUPS URGE AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS TO DECLARE GBV CASES A NATIONAL PANDEMIC**

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“Women should be in public office because we constitute half the population, We vote and pick our leaders, We pay taxes, and we need determine how that money is being spent”

**Keynote: Hon Lady Justice Njoki Ndungu,**  
Judge of the Supreme Court of Kenya







## TWITTER

**Oby Ezekwesili** @obyzezeks

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Kenya @CJMarthaKooome, former Deputy President of South Africa and Executive Director of UNWomen @phumlambongcuka and I were awarded by the incredible young women of the continent @\_Nalafem at their #NFS2023 #iamnala and got us to shuffle 🥰🥰

Besides the irreplaceable Chief Justice, another woman on Kenya Supreme Court, Hon. Lady Justice @NjokiNdungu\_LJ got us all super excited at some of their remarkable collective strides in their determination to turn their judiciary into a strong and independent institution. Iconic women. 🙌🙌🙌

**Grace Kitoti** @KitotiGrace

It's been two days at the #NFS2023 truly amazing organizing #iamnala. Great work @TheALIOrg for believing in YFLs and giving us an opportunity to be in such spaces.

**Nyaboth Paska** @NyabothAkwoch

Being in such spaces gives me life! The intergenerational excellence of African Women and wisdom is everything i need to refill my cup 🥰🙌

Thanks @\_Nalafem @unwomenafrica

#nfs2023

**Sunita Caminha** @SunitaCaminha

Grateful to be part of #NFS2023 today and the inspiring discussions on growing collective power for #genderequality through justice, trust, and accountability. #iamnala #GenerationEquality



**The Girl Generation** @Th... · 02/07/2023 Beyond physical scars, #FGM leaves deep emotional wounds. In our breakout session, we discuss the psychological impact and explore trauma-informed approaches to support survivors on their healing journey. Together, let's restore dignity and empower survivors. #iamnala #NFS2023



**Maryam Wangeshi** @WangeshiMaryam

Thrilled to have attended the impactful 2nd @\_Nalafem summit where change-makers unite to empower African women and girls! 🌍 ✨ It's always lovely sharing a room with impactful women! @aya\_chebbi Thank you ❤️ #NalafemSummit #NFS2023 #AfricanWomen #iamnala @siasaplace



**Taifa Boke** @TaifaBoke

"Character is not complete until it is consistent" @obyzezeks Such a privilege to have attended the 2nalafem summit where women exercise their power. @\_Nalafem @TheGirlGen #NFS2023 #iamnala

**Dr. Njoki Wamai, PhD.** @Njokiwamai

Congrats @\_Nalafem for the inspiring #NFS2023. Great weekend holding intergenerational dialogues with the feminists before us @obyzezeks @phumlambongcuka @CJMarthaKooome and the #iamnala feminists for hosting us & creating this space. Asante sana @DrReem @aya\_chebbi @RosebellK

**Hon. Hummingbird** @wanjaah

Just learnt from @CJMarthaKooome that people with disabilities are given special priority in the courts...so that their matter moves fast...same case for kids and people in small claims courts... #iamnala #nalafemsummit2023 #nfs2023 @\_Nalafem

**Shujaa\_Sadia Hussein (HSC)** @SadearH

Great moment with @CJMarthaKooome, @aya\_chebbi and @obyzezeks at the #NFS2023 FGM survivors have been given a platform to talk about mental health and wellbeing including access to justice! @TheGirlGen @Amref\_Worldwide @EsmaelOmarN #iamNala



**Gears for Change Initiative** @G4C\_Initiative

It's been an honour to be part of the #NFS2023 #iamnala

**Siasa Place** @siasaplace

We are starting off the week on a high note 🚀

We were awarded the Young Feminist Award for Inter-generational co-leadership at the NalaFem summit 🥰. A big thank you 🙏 to @\_Nalafem and the people we work with that have continuously believed in us and what we do. #NFS2023





## INSTAGRAM



ddkhalifa mentioned you in a post: had the privilege to attend the 2nd @nalafem summit that took place at safari park hotel.

It was a learning and fun session trying to figure out African solutions in justice, Trust and accountability.

Also great to have meet incredible @aya\_chebbi

1. Hon Lady Justice Agnes Murgor, JA-President of International Association of Women Judges (Kenya),

2. Obiageli Katryn Ezekwesili, Founder/ Chair, School of Politics, Policy and Governance

3. E. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, former UN women Executive Director and former South African vice president

4. H.E Betty Murungi, Professor of Practice and Transitional Justice Expert (Kenya).

5. Hon Justice Martha Koome, EGH, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya

Thank you @leylahusseinuk @thegirlgen for giving me this opportunity. @thegirlgen aya\_chebb 1w



wesley.irene mentioned you in a post: It's so exciting to share a feminist space with men in leadership who are so intentional about women issues. Glad that I was able to meet and chat with @Hon. Dr. Matthews Ngwale, Member of Parliament Malawi



athena.initiative mentioned you in a post: The ATHENA team attended the 2nd @nalafem Summit in Nairobi, Kenya this passed weekend. Our Executive Director @theolaoluwa co-hosted the African Regional Consultation #SRHR and access to the existing data #GEF accountability framework.

Some key takeaways:

1. Center local knowledge in the GEF process
  2. Prioritize alignment & accountability across global & regional frameworks on #SRHR & #GenderEquality
  3. Lack of Transparency
- #iamnala #NFS2023 #WhatGirlsWant #WhatWomenWant #FeministFuturesHIV #GenerationEqualityForum 1w



rosebellk mentioned you in a post: What a beautiful night! Basking in greatness of our foremothers, recognizing and holding up our elders, learning to be relentless from women that have paved the way for us and surrounding ourselves with feminist joy! ay we be greater indeed! Thank you for your courage and bringing forth generations in your leadership of this continent



Mma Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka is the Former UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN Women from August 2013 to August 2021. From 2005 to 2008, she served as Deputy President of South Africa. @nalafem 1w



mujizagrace mentioned you in a post: Delighted to have partnered under @one\_ with @nalafem on the 2nd Nalafem Summit. Such an excellent platform providing unmatched opportunities for Africa's young women leaders from political spheres and the activism platform to connect, confer and foster public civil society partnerships.

All geared towards accelerating the realization of gender commitments and inclusivity. 1w



playroom.ke mentioned you in a reel: Spent the weekend at the 2nd @nalafem summit, learning, connecting and later representing @playacademy.africa to speak on Accountability to the next generation and our role as caregivers.

It was a powerful space to be. Launched in 2022 in Abuja, The summit provides a multi-track diplomacy platform and an unmatched opportunity for Africa's young women leaders from politics and activism to connect, confer, exchange best practices, foster public-civil society partnerships and accelerate the realization of gender commitments through accountability.

Congratulations to the entire Nalafem team. Looking forward to the next one! 1w

## LINKEDIN



Ireen Chikatala · 2nd  
Girls and Women Empowerment Specialist | Feminist | Activist | Educator | Wannabe wri...  
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Congratulations to you and the team for the success [Aya Chebbi](#). I love everything you do and I'm truly inspired by it.

When I joined [LinkedIn](#) last year, after customising my profile according to interests, passion, ambition etc and with only one connection at the time. LinkedIn suggested your profile to me.

I clicked follow, and so my journey as one of your followers began. I followed you closely to learn more about you and I could resonate with your work to a greater extent.

After that, I desperately wanted to meet you, to draw inspiration. I felt meeting you would complete a part of me.

I was yet to figure out how, and then Athens happened!

You are amazing Aya!  
[#wcw](#) [#team](#) [#success](#) [#work](#) [#motivation](#)

**THE AMAZON LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE (T...**  
837 followers  
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Exciting News! Three of our amazing young female leaders (YFLs) from [THE AMAZON LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE \(TheALI\)](#) recently attended the [Nala Feminist Collective Summit](#) over the weekend. We are thrilled to announce that TheALI has been awarded the prestigious title of "Young Feminist Organization for Ending Gender Discrimination" at the summit!

This recognition highlights the incredible efforts and dedication of all the young female leaders, TheALI Associates, TheALI PANYFL Regional Caucus leaders, and our phenomenal founder [Mary Izobo](#), who together, have been working tirelessly to promote gender equality and empower young women across Africa. We are incredibly proud of this accomplishment!

In addition to the award, TheALI has been granted a generous sum of \$2000USD, which will further support our initiatives in fighting gender discrimination. With this grant, we will be able to continue creating positive change, fostering inclusive spaces, and empowering women to rise above societal barriers. [#blackgirlyourdreamsarevalid](#)



Obiageli "Oby" Ezekwesili · 2nd  
Chairperson @TheSPPG.Org , Founder @Human Capital Africa & Senior Fellow @y...  
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Great vision powered by exceptional young African women roaring to success! Amazing [Aya Chebbi](#) and her sisters across the continent giving us all the renewed energy to trust that Africa shall triumph against all odds. Was a huge delight to accept your deeply meaningful award! Love you all



Hadale Saru · 3rd+  
Secretary general for She leads Kenya  
2w · Edited ·

As the exhilarating journey of our [Nala Feminist Collective Leaders Summit](#) comes to a close, I find myself overwhelmed with gratitude and a profound sense of inspiration. These past few days have been an incredible testament to the power and resilience of women from every corner of the globe, united by a common vision of progress and empowerment.

Witnessing the enthusiasm, energy, and unwavering determination of all the remarkable women I had the privilege to meet has rekindled my commitment to advocate for gender equality and amplify the voices of women in every sphere. [#iamnala](#) stories of triumph over adversity, innovative approaches to problem-solving, and unwavering dedication to the champion of the cause have left an indelible mark on my heart and mind.



Val Wiggert · 3rd+  
Senior Director of Career Programs at the African Leadership Academy. Multipotentialite & MBA graduate,...  
2w · Edited ·

So thrilled to be listening to the inimitable Dr. Obiageli "Oby" Ezekwesili speaking at the 2nd Nalafem Summit on governance and justice. Her words to the women of the continent at [#Nalafem23](#).

"Unlock all the Networks of women"  
"Create an umbrella for the continent".  
"The people you are fearing are afraid of you. Be fearless"



Maryam Wangeshi · 3rd+  
Gender-Inclusive Architect | SDG 4, 5, 11 Advocate | Driving Innovation for Social Impact | Tech Enthusiast  
2w · Edited ·

A breathtaking experience at the 2nd [Nala Feminist Collective Summit](#), where inspiring African Women Leaders converged at Safari Park Hotel in Nairobi, Kenya! 1-2 July 2023.

Uniting minds from politics, activism, and justice, Nalafem aimed to foster knowledge exchange, share best practices, empower and take action towards liberation of African women and girls. Together we strived towards rewriting the narrative to create a brighter future for all.

In the forum, we stood firm against femicide and child marriage, advocating for change and justice. The journey doesn't end there! Let's continue to take a stand against Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) and Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) ensuring the safety and well-being of women and girls.

I take this opportunity to urge all who'll view this post to join us -within your capacity- in our call to action as we work towards a world free from SGBV and other global crises as mentioned in the Africa young women B+25 manifesto (find picture below). Change starts with you



Mujiza Grace · 3rd+  
Award Winning Peace Ambassador | ONE Champion (East Africa) | International Relations Honorary Graduate | Virtu...  
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Delighted to have partnered under [The ONE Campaign](#) with [Nala Feminist Collective](#) Collective on the 2nd Nalafem Summit. Such an excellent platform providing unmatched opportunities for Africa's young women leaders from political spheres and the activism platform to connect, confer and foster public civil society partnerships.

All geared towards accelerating the realization of gender commitments and inclusivity. [#iamnala Nala Feminist Collective](#)

Such an honor interacting with Lady Justice [#NjokiNdungu](#) at the 2nd Nalafem Summit



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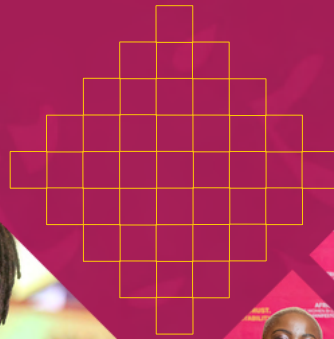


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