

## ***International Conference***

# **Women's empowerment through community-based tourism and cultural exchange: chances and challenges of grassroots development projects**

Kigali, Rwanda, 18–20 November 2010, Le Printemps Hotel, Kimironko

### **18 November 2010 (Thursday)**

9.15 to 17.30 **Pre conference event:** Workshop for NWC members and others – conducted by Stroma Cole, PhD

Title: **Ensuring positive socio-economic impacts for community based tourism**

### **19 November 2010 (Friday)**

8.30 to 9.30: **Registration of participants**

9.30 to 10.30: **OPENING CEREMONY**

Moderator: Prof. Vlasta Jalušič, PhD

Speakers:

1. Dr Jeanne d'Arc Mujawamariya (Minister of Gender and Family Promotion)\*
2. Mr Achim Tillessen (Head of Economy and Governance Section at the EU Delegation in Rwanda)
3. Ms Alenka Suhadolnik (Slovenian Ministry of Foreign Affairs)\*
4. Ms Angelina Muganza (President of Rwanda Association of University Women)
5. Prof. George Njoroge, PhD (Rector of Kigali Institute of Education)
6. Ms Jackline Murungi Kisembo (President of Nyamirambo Women's Centre)

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10.30 to 11.00: **Coffee break**

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11.00 to 13.00: **Part One: Perspectives**

Moderation and comments: Stroma Cole, PhD

1. Irena Ateljević, PhD: *Trust yourself: Women's responsibility in creating a sustainable human future*
2. Irena Weber, PhD: *Grassroots tourism in cosmopolitan perspective*
3. Prof. Shirley Randell AO, PhD: *Contribution of tourism to gender equality and women's empowerment in the Great Lakes Region*
4. Prof. Vlasta Jalušič, PhD : *Women's rights, cultural identity and development projects: some critical reflections*

13.00 to 14.30: **Lunch break**

14.30h to 16.00: **Part Two: Empowerment and opportunities**

Moderation and comments: Prof. Shirley Randell AO, PhD

1. Stroma Cole, PhD: *Women's empowerment through tourism – stories from the field*
2. Ms Nelly Bisanda: *A theory of enactment in gender studies of tourism: Capturing the power of human agency of Tanzanian women*
3. Ms Christine Ampumuza: *Women's empowerment through community based and rural tourism: An actor-network perspective*

16.00 to 16.15: **Coffee break**

16.15 to 17.45: **Continuation of Part Two**

Moderation and comments: Irena Weber, PhD

4. Ms Dorothy Forsac: *Community based tourism in Cameroon: Opportunities and Challenges for Women*
5. Mr Edwin Sabuhoro and Ms Ritah Tusabe: *Linking a value chain approach in Rwanda's tourism: a case of women and tourism in Musanze Destination Management Area*
6. Ms Shose Kessi: *Shooting Horizons: Empowering young African women through multimedia*

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## **20 November 2010 (Saturday)**

### **9.30 to 11.00: Part Three: Projects and practices**

Moderation and comments: Irena Ateljević, PhD

1. Ms Rica Rwigamba: *The impact of Responsible Tourism Projects at the local and national level*
2. Ms Jackline Murungi and Ms Maja Ladić: *Nyamirambo Women's Centre – Lessons from the Women's Centre and Urban Responsible Tourism Project in Kigali*
3. Ms Immaculate Owache: *Making a breakthrough – poverty eradication through skills development – women's project in Kampala*

### **11.00 to 11.30: Coffee break**

### **11.30 to 13.00: Continuation of Part Three**

Moderation and comments: Prof. Vlasta Jalušič, PhD

4. Mr Jean Claude Mwitende: *Show Case: Beekeeping Project "Twisungane Widow Cooperative Southern Province of Rwanda." Rwanda Village Concept Project*
5. Mr Miha Logar and Ms Pamela Kanyunyuzi: *Fair trade crafts and cultural tourism: what have we done for – and with – the women at the Lake Bunyonyi - Uganda?*
6. Ms Florence Prudhomme: *In Kimironko women rebuild their future*

### **13.00 to 14.30: Lunch**

### **14.30 to 15.30: General discussion, conclusions, evaluation**

### **15.30 to 16:30: Working meeting – chances and opportunities for further cooperation and partnership**

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