

# Fellowship Call

Afya na haki invites applications for a fellowship under its Litigating Reproductive Justice in Africa (LIRA) Programme. The Programme aims to create an environment where Africa embraces reproductive justice through progressive, evidence-based and collaborative litigation for access to SRHR at national, sub-regional, regional and international levels.

➤ **Reproductive Justice draws from a social justice approach to highlight the inequalities of the reproductive choice framework such as multiple power relations and the social economic realities that structure women and men's sexual and reproductive lives. Currently, SRHR litigation in Africa is rights and choice-based and majorly centered on negative state obligations in relation to individuals rather than the society.**

## ➤ Objective

**The objective of the LIRA Fellowship Programme is to enhance the capacity of African experts, litigants, students and scholars on practice, theories and trajectories of litigating SRHR using the reproductive justice approach.**

## Fellowship Programme

Fellows will be capacitated on the art of litigating SRHR in Africa using the reproductive justice approach. This approach will inculcate aspects of intersectionality, negative and positive obligations of states, power relations at all levels, combine gains realized through progressive legislation, judicial and social movement activism, as well as academic scholarship.

The LIRA Fellowship Programme is for 12 months and it will be a full-time in-person engagement at Ahaki.

The fellowship is designed to support Ahaki's programmes and provide opportunities for career development in research, litigation and capacity enhancement in reproductive justice using an Africentric lens. Ahaki encourages African researchers, scholars, litigants, activists, academics and practitioners from across the continent to apply.

## Personal Specifications

The candidate should have at least a master's degree or experience of at least five years in the following disciplines: law, public health, social sciences, Gender studies, human rights, or any other discipline relevant to SRHR. The candidate should have experience in either research, litigation and capacity enhancement in the area of SRHR. Experience in project management and implementation will be an added advantage. The candidate should be proficient in either English or French languages.

## Application Criteria

Interested candidates should provide the following documentation:

- Detailed resume
- Motivation letter stating the reasons why the candidate is interested in the fellowship.
- The names and contact information of three reference persons
- Copies of academic documents
- Identification documents including a valid passport and/ or a national identity card
- A reference letter from at least one reference person

## Benefits

Successful applicants will be entitled to a monthly stipend and will engage in all Ahaki research and capacity enhancement initiatives. Special need for accommodation or travel may be considered for successful candidates.

The complete application documents should be submitted to [info@afyanahaki.org](mailto:info@afyanahaki.org) by **10th February 2023.**

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.