While the law can be a powerful tool to improve the lives of people living with HIV, bad laws – like those criminalising HIV non-disclosure, exposure and transmission – can lead to stigma, discrimination and violence, hindering global HIV response efforts.

In this session, speakers will discuss how to ensure that the law is a tool for advancing effective HIV responses, rather than a weapon against people living with HIV.

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Panellists:
- Lisa Power, Chair of Supervisory Board, HIV Justice Network, The Netherlands
- Allan Maleche, Director, KELIN Kenya
- Zione Ntaba, Judge, High Court of the Republic of Malawi
- John Jeffery, Deputy Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development, South Africa

Closing remarks:
- Kene Esom, Policy Specialist, HIV, Health and Development Group, UNDP

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