

LOSING LIBERTY & LIFE: THE IMPACT OF FIREARMS ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN SOUTH AFRICA

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EVENT OUTLINE

11:00 - 12:30 AM

REPORT LAUNCH & MEDIA BRIEFING

Join us to explore the impact of firearm-related domestic violence in South Africa through research and the lived experiences of two women forever changed by it.

12:30 PM

MEDIA INTERVIEWS
LUNCH FOR GUESTS

1:30 - 3:30 PM

DIALOGUE ON STRENGTHENING RESPONSES

A conversation with the criminal justice sector on advancing accountability and greater protection for victims of gun-related domestic violence.

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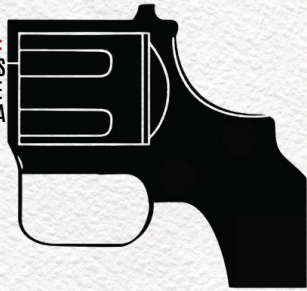


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REPORT LAUNCH & MEDIA BRIEFING

11:00

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Kerryn Rehse, MOSAIC

11:10

RESEARCH FINDINGS

Lisa Vetten

Contextualizing firearm use in domestic violence
Insights into fatal and non-fatal firearm use, institutional
responses & policy gaps

11:30

PANEL DISCUSSION

Bernadine Bachar, National Shelter Movement

- Henrietta Du Preez & Jessica Shah, women who have experienced the use of guns in domestic violence
- Claire Taylor, Gun Free South Africa
- Dr. Naeemah Abrahams, SA Medical Research Council & Lancet Commission on Global Gun Violence and Health

12:10

AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT

12:25

CLOSING REFLECTIONS & THANKS

Kerryn Rehse, MOSAIC

12:30

LUNCH & MEDIA INTERVIEWS

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DIALOGUE ON STRENGTHENING RESPONSES

13:30 WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Adèle Kirsten

13:40 RESEARCH INSIGHTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Lisa Vetten

In-depth discussion of findings, institutional gaps, and policy recommendations

14:00 RESPONDENT REFLECTIONS

Adèle Kirsten

Representatives from the Criminal Justice System, Private Sector, Civil Society

14:45 OPEN DISCUSSION

15:30 CLOSING REMARKS

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