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Irise Annual Gathering 2022

Saturday March 12th 10am-1pm GMT+0 (1-4pm EAT)

Online, RVSP [here](#)

Session	Timing (GMT+0)	Speakers
Introductions	10-10.15am	
<p><i>Session 1: Setting the Agenda- How young people are leading the movement to end period poverty and shame in the UK</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Why is it important that young people lead?</i>- <i>Key successes and stories of impact</i>- <i>Challenges and learning</i>	10.15-10.45am	<p><i>Nketchi Adeboye</i> Empower Period Forum Co-Chair, Software Engineer and Trustee at Women Working Worldwide.</p> <p><i>Terri Harris</i> Empower Period Forum Co-Chair, Menstrual Health Specialist currently working for Bloody Good period to deliver menstrual Health Education and with Fem Tech Lab to develop the global Fem Tech Space.</p>
Comfort Break/networking	10.45-11.00am	
<p><i>Session 2: Period Justice- How IIEA are empowering girls, young women and local leaders to drive the change they want to see</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Why is it important that young women and girls lead?</i>- <i>Key successes and stories of impact</i>- <i>Challenges and learning</i>	11.00-11.30am	<p><i>Lillian Bagala</i> Regional Director at Irise Institute East Africa. Part of the Core Group at the Global Menstrual Health Collective and on the Content Advisory Board for The Global Period Poverty Forum. 15+ years of leadership and youth development work. Previously Director of Ugandan Youth Network and Chair of Africa Youth Trust.</p> <p><i>Patricia Humura</i> Acting Programme Manager, Irise Institute East Africa. Previously Programme Associate at a Regional Pan African Feminist Organisation Akina Mama wa Afrika where she trained young women across East and West Africa. She has also provided consultancy services on critical youth and women's rights issues organisations like AMREF Uganda, Oxfam Uganda, Women of Uganda Network, Advocacy Accelerator - Nairobi, Foundation for Men Engage, FEMNET Nairobi and UNICEF Global.</p>
<p><i>Session 3: Feminist Leadership- what is it and why does it matter?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>What is it?</i>- <i>Why does it matter?</i>	11.30-12.00pm	<p><i>Patti Whaley</i> Patti Whaley has worked with social justice and environmental charities as a senior manager or trustee for over 30 years, including Amnesty International,</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>What are the challenges of feminist leadership?</i> - <i>What are the successes?</i> 		<p>Forum for the Furure, ActionAid, the British Institute for Human Rights, the Food Ethics Council, and Safe Passage International. In 2021 she was appointed an honorary Companion to the Order of St Michael and St George (CMG) for services to international development. In her spare time she is an avid cook, organist and student of Russian.</p> <p><i>Angela Asiimwe</i> Angella Asiimwe is lawyer and transformational feminist leader. She was sexually abused and became pregnant as a young teenager living on the streets of Mbarara and decided to dedicate her life to advocating for the rights of girls, women & other marginalised groups. She is a Mandela Washington Fellowship Fellow 2020 and has spearheaded numerous campaigns to address oppression within Uganda.</p>
Questions & Discussion	12.00-12.15pm	
<p>Roundtable discussion-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>What are the common themes or learning across the other sessions?</i> - <i>What are the take aways from the day?</i> - <i>Based on your expertise or experience what do you see as the key challenges or opportunities on the horizon for the Irise community and the cause it champions?</i> 	12.15-12.45pm	<p>Chair: <i>Lata Narayanaswamy</i>, Irise Advisor, Associate Professor in the Politics of Global Development at The University of Leeds</p>
Wrap up	12.45-12.50pm	