Paris Principles in Action: Independence of African NHRIs

Building strong, independent institutions is key to protecting human rights across Africa.

NANHRI joins GANHRI and other Regional Networks in highlighting how Paris Principles compliance safeguards independence – legal, operational, financial, and through inclusive leadership.

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Anchored in Law

African NHRIs demonstrate resilience when established by the Constitution or Acts of Parliament.

- Kenya National Commission on Human Rights – entrenched in the Constitution.
- South Africa Human Rights Commission – statutory guarantees for autonomy.

A solid legal foundation ensures freedom from political interference.

Diverse Voices for Stronger Impact

Transparent, participatory appointment processes strengthen public trust.

- Ghana CHRAJ's open recruitment for commissioners.
- Malawi HR Commission's balanced representation of gender and expertise.

Pluralistic leadership makes NHRIs relevant to all communities.

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Join us as we unpack the Paris Principles and showcase examples of how they are essential for effective NHRI work across all four regions

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