

**‘YOU WANT TO DEAL WITH POWER WHILE
RIDING ON POWER’
VISUALISING THE SOCIAL ECOLOGY OF
POWER IN POLITICS AND POLICY IN HEALTH
SYSTEMS**

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AGENDA



- Social Ecology of Power – Kim Ozano
- Navigating the politics of health in informal settlements in Freetown – Abu Conteh
- Social ecology of power in politics and policy in health systems - Emily Wangari
- Dealing with power in participatory research - Bachera Aktar
- Live interview with Linet Okoth on power in her work in informal settlements in Kenya
- Table discussion on power
- Group feedback
- Closing remarks – Sally Theobald

ACTIVE PARTICIPATION



We want this to be an interactive, thought-provoking session

Your role:

- Listen actively to each presentation / interview
 - Note down power aspects you identify as the speakers present onto post it notes you will find on your tables
 - Add these post it notes to the chart in the middle of your table at the appropriate power level as you go
 - For online participants, note observations of power and their level in the chat box
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- These will be used to facilitate group discussions at each table / online about power at different levels, and each table will be asked to feedback key reflections to the group at the end of the session

TABLE DISCUSSION



- Looking at your notes on the chart, have a discussion about where each power aspect has been placed, and if as a group you agree with this placement
- Add in power aspects not already captured that you have come across in your own work / experience
- Identify three overarching themes that you have uncovered during your discussions
 - Is this as you expected?
 - Are there any surprises about where power falls at different levels?
 - Has the framework been useful in guiding your discussion?
- Please pick a rapporteur to feedback to the group

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