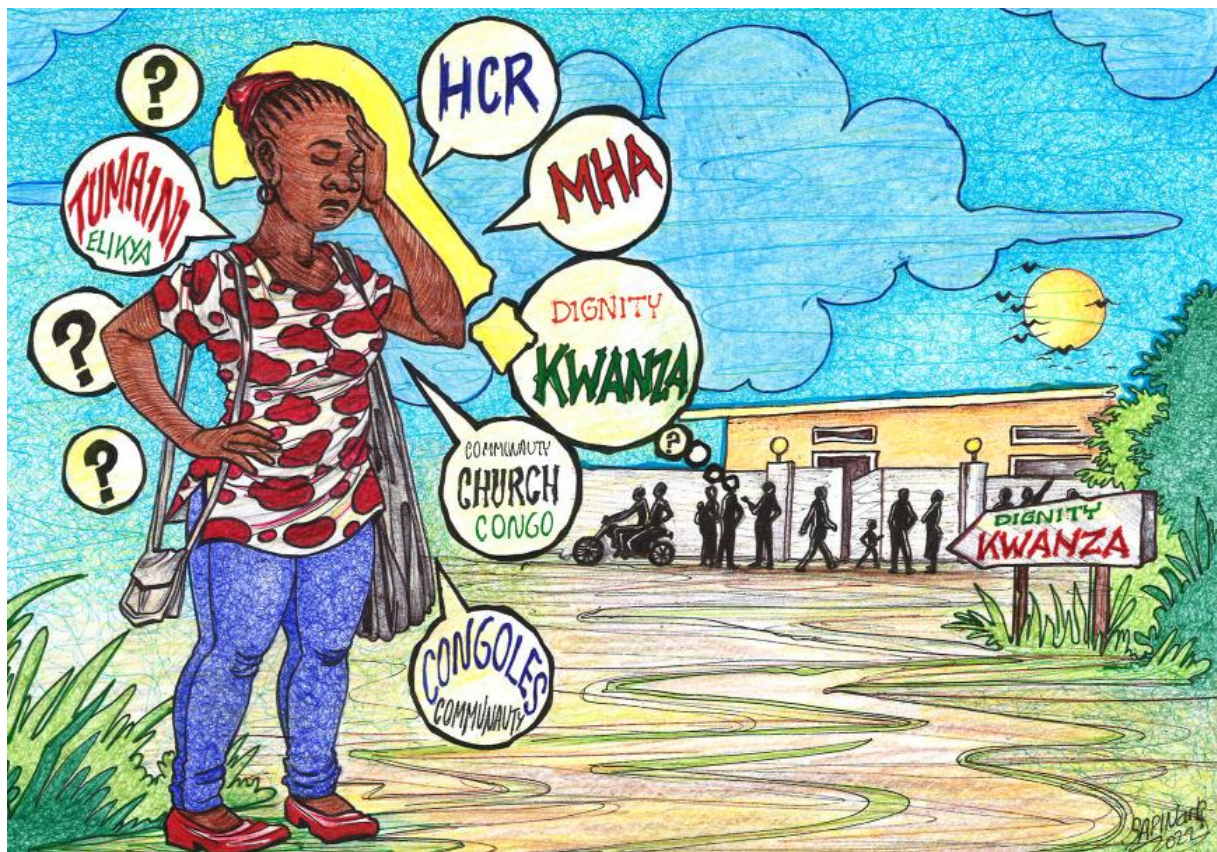


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Transnational Figurations of Displacement



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In the shoes of a Congolese refugee

Do you want to get a better understanding of the challenges urban refugees in Africa face? Learn more about them? Are you interested in thinking about possible solutions for these refugees? Do you like gaming? Come and attend our workshop!

As part of the research project [TRAFIG](#) (Transnational Figurations of Displacement), Leiden University has been working on displacement in Tanzania and the Democratic Republic of Congo, together with local partners DIGNITY Kwanza and KUTAFITI. In this workshop, we will present some of the findings of our work *and* play a challenging game with you.

In the DIGNITY Kwanza method (game) we read and see the stories of Congolese urban refugees living in Dar es Salaam. In a first instance, this game provides international and local NGO workers, and other practitioners, working with these refugees with tools to guide them in the process of regularizing their legal status. Yet the game can be played by anyone who is interested. By placing oneself in the shoes of the refugees, the player better understands the challenges urban refugees face and is invited to think of possible solutions. More than just fostering empathy, this game is an invitation to reflect on current practices and lived realities. Its goal is to trigger critical discussion. Even if this game is based on real facts, names and places are fictional so that the stories do not correspond one on one to the stories of real people. In this way we guarantee the anonymity of DIGNITY Kwanza's clients.

When? Monday, 14 March, 14-16.00h, followed by drinks

Where? Leiden Law School, Steenschuur 25, room B0.31

By whom? Jochem Scheelings (former MA African Studies), Sapin Makengele (Congolese artist), Dr. Catherina Wilson, Institute for History, and Dr. Carolien Jacobs, Leiden Law School

For whom? Students and colleagues who are interested in refugee studies and stories

How? We have limited seats available. You can register by sending an e-mail (with the heading TRAFIG event) to vollenhoven@law.leidenuniv.nl. First comes, first serves!