

Time line	Activity
8.30- 9.00 am	Arrival & registration of participants
9.00 – 9.15 am	Opening address by Assoc. Prof. Sarah Ssali, SWGS
9.15-9.30	Welcome remarks by Prof. Eric Awich Ochen, Deputy Principal CHUSS
9.30 – 10.00 am	Keynote address 1 by Commissioner Angela Nakafeero, MoGLSD
10.00 – 10.30 am	Plenary discussions
10.30 – 11.00 am	COFFEE BREAK
THEME: Improving Evidence on Women’s Economic Empowerment	
11.00 – 12.30 am	<p>PANEL PRESENTATION 1: Chaired by Fred Luganda</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The National Policy Regulatory Program Support (NPRPs) as model for evidence-based policy development by Edton Babu, Programme Director CARE International 2. Methodology on the Evaluation of Women Economic empowerment outcomes in SACCOS and Saving Groups by Assoc. Prof. Fred Matovu, School of Economics, Makerere 3. The Role of the National Operation Guidelines on SGs in paving way for women's economic empowerment by Nelson Mutatiina, Directorate of Supervision, Uganda Microfinance Regulatory Authority, UMRA 4. The graduating to resilience project by Derrick Nsibirwa and Innocent Cwinyai (AVSI-Uganda)
12.30 – 1.00 pm	Plenary discussions
1.00-2.00 pm	LUNCH
THEME 2: Measuring women economic empowerment: some new directions	
2.00- 3.30 pm	<p>PANEL PRESENTATION 2: Chaired by Dr. Ann Ninsiima</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scoping study on the Evidence Synthesis of Women Groups in Uganda by Dr. Eve Namisango, the Africa Centre 2. The role of Evidence Consortium on Women Groups in fostering evidence-based research on WEE and SGs. Some new methodological directions, By Dr. Thomas de Hoop, Managing Economist, the American Research Institutes, key note address 2 3. The Role of the National Policy Framework on SGs in strengthening pathways for women's economic empowerment by Prof. Isaac Nkote Nabeta, Makerere University Business School, MUBS 4. Improving Evidence on Women’s Economic Empowerment: the VSLA Women and Leadership Brac Methodology by Christine Nabulumba, Senior Research Associate, Brac-UG
3.30 – 4.30 pm	Plenary discussions
4.30 – 4.45 pm	Way forward: Measuring women’s empowerment: is it Time to Change our Methods? By Tabitha Mulyampiti, School of Women and Gender Studies, Makerere University
4.45 – 5.00 pm	Closing address (CARE)
5.00-6.00 pm	Networking Happy Hour