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Guest Lecture by Stefanie Lemke

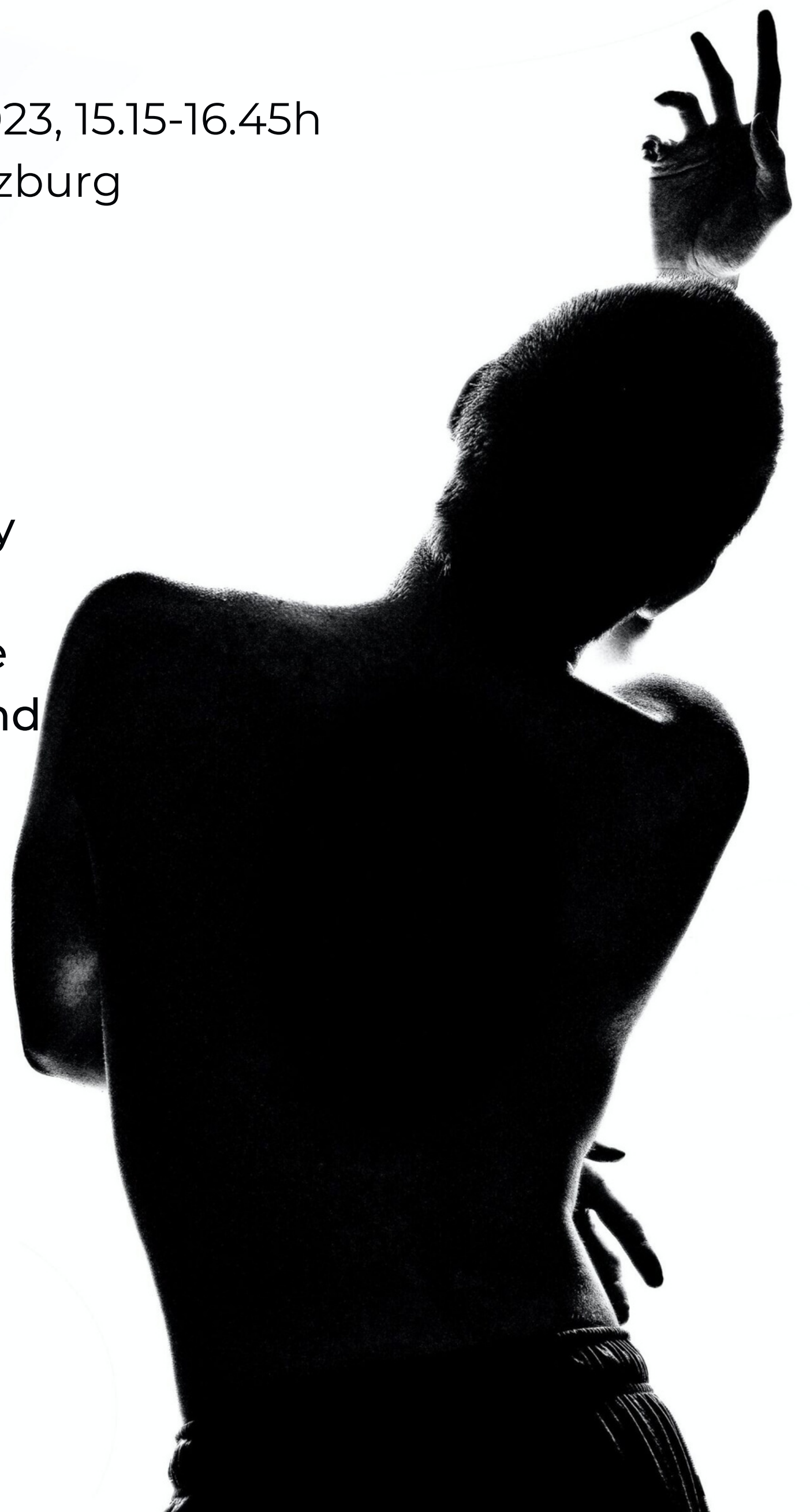
# Securing Women's Right to Communal Land through Dialogue and Advocacy

Experiences from East and West Africa

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**Topic.** The talk presents insights from the participatory action research project “Women’s Right to Communal Land” that started 2020 with four grassroots organizations in East and West Africa, in collaboration with Coventry University and University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna. Most development actors promote land titling and individual land ownership for more gender equality. Our project highlights the importance of protecting and recognising communal land ownership, securing access to land for women and youth within these systems. This requires participation of and opening spaces for a diversity of women and youth. It also requires ending gender-based violence to ensure full participation of women. Supporting more horizontal and transparent communal land governance institutions and community cohesion is key to secure access to land, the right to adequate food, and future livelihoods, in the wake of the climate crisis and new waves of land grabbing.



**About the Lecturer.** Stefanie Lemke is professor and head of the Institute for Development Research, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna. Areas of work include the human right to adequate food/nutrition, sustainable food systems, gender, intersectionality, women’s rights.

