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Dr Musimbi Kanyoro is a social activist and theologian who is globally recognised for her leadership and initiatives that advance human rights, and philanthropy for women and girls.

Musimbi is an accomplished and distinguished leader with 30 years of experience managing international non-governmental organizations at global as well as grassroots level, global programmes, and ecumenical agencies in cross-

cultural and development contexts. She has demonstrated visionary leadership and effectiveness in managing key relationships among diverse stakeholders at the national, regional and global levels to promote human rights.

Musimbi has been widely recognised for her work, and received many awards and honours throughout the years. In 2015, *Forbes* magazine named her one of 10 women "power brands" working for gender equality. In 2016 she was named in the list of "Forty over 40 — women who are reinventing, and disrupting and making an impact". More recently, she was named among the 100 people <u>making a difference in gender policy</u> and alongside Bill Gates as one of the <u>9 powerful people changing the planet</u>