

## Hearing on “The Unfolding Conflict in Ethiopia”

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### Ms. Tsedale Lemma Biography

Ms. Tsedale Lemma started journalism in 2000 and worked until 2005 with three different local newspapers, including as a senior reporter at the now defunct but prominent newspaper, *Addis Tribune*. In 2005, in the wake of the post-election uncertainties, she left journalism to join the Israeli Embassy in Addis Abba until 2010. Ms. Lemma first worked as a communication expert then as regional political affairs and media advisor to the Ambassador. In 2010, Ms. Lemma left the Israeli Embassy to research future engagement in practicing journalism. After a year of research in February of 2011, she established *Addis Standard* monthly magazine. For the last ten years Ms. Lemma has played a crucial role in turning *Addis Standard* magazine into one of the most influential magazines in the history of independent media in Ethiopia. In 2014, Ms. Lemma was named one of the 50 Rising Stars in the continent Africa by the leading pan African magazine *The Africa Report*. In 2015, she became a member of the International Advisory Board of the Bandung: Journal of the Global South. Ms. Lemma holds a Diploma in Teaching Foreign Language from Jimma University, a BA degree in Print Journalism from Addis Ababa University, and a Diploma in Online Journalism from Stockholm University of Journalism.