



Programme AHRI conference 2021: Human Rights Strategies

Timings in Central European Summer Time (UTC+2)

Thursday, 26th August 2021 - PhD Workshop & side event

- 11:00 - 11:15 Welcome
- 11:15 - 12:45 **Breakout session A1** (Chair: Ingrid Westendorp)
- Anzhelika Savchuk, *Celebritization in Ukrainian media and journalism after 2014*
 - Brenda Nanyunja, *Obligational Challenges? Uganda's Response to Bashir's Arrest Warrants' to 'An Obligation Challenge: Uganda's Response to ICC's Warrants of Arrest for Bashir.'*
 - Kenan Kadusic, *(In)tolerance of intolerance in educational institutions in B&H: approaches for combating shaming on the basis of socio-economic status, sexuality, and gender*
- Breakout session A2** (Chair: Fons Coomans)
- Alessandra Michela De Tommaso, *Corporate accountability through strategic litigation: an assessment of over twenty years of case law on Shell's activities in Nigeria*
 - Valerie Svobodova, *Implementation of the SG's Call to Action for Human Rights: engaging with human rights mechanisms to advance the protection of affected populations in emergency settings*
 - Rodrigo Tonél, *The violation of the human right to health within the context of the COVID-19 pandemic in Brazil*
- 12:45 – 13:15 Break
- 13:15 – 14:45 **Breakout session A3** (Chair: Laura Visser)
- Kris van der Pas, *Strategic litigation on statelessness: the 'Denny'-case*
 - Maëlle Noir, *Fostering transnational feminist solidarities: a decolonial methodological approach to research in post-colonial countries*
 - Ayetekin Kaan Kurtul, *Private regulation of freedom of expression on social media platforms and public policies addressing this matter*

**Breakout session A4** (Chair: Lisa Waddington)

- Danai Delipetrou, *Intersectionality and representation: can fiction become reality?*
- Fatma Alakbarova, *Naming and shaming the human rights violations in Azerbaijan: does it work?*
- Sara Miellel, *Human rights cities and the language of rights: between potential and populism*

14:45 – 16:00

Side event: Seeding Change for a Human Rights Economy: Lessons from OHCHR's Surge Initiative by: (Chair: Alejandro Fuentes)

- Dr Jyoti Sanghera, Senior Adviser/Consultant on Outreach and Partnerships for the Surge Initiative of the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and RWI
- Dr Marcella Favretto, Chief of the Sustainable Development Section at the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Dr Savi Bisnath, Senior Economist, Surge Initiative of the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Pradeep Wagle, High Commissioner's Representative at OHCHR Country Office in Cambodia

16:00 – 18:00

AHRI Executive Committee meeting

Friday, 27th August

09:00 – 09:20

Opening: **Prof. Jan Smits**, Dean, on behalf of the Faculty of Law, Maastricht University**Dr Kasey McCall-Smith**, Chair AHRI, on behalf of AHRI**Dr Ingrid Westendorp**, on behalf of the Maastricht Centre for Human RightsWord of welcome by **Prof. Rianne Letschert**, Rector, on behalf of Maastricht University

09:20 – 09:40

Keynote address by **Prof. Stephan Parmentier**, Leuven University on Naming & Shaming

09:40 – 10:00

Discussion (Moderator: Fons Coomans)

10:00 – 10:10

Break



- 10:10 – 10:30 Keynote address by **Prof. Jutta Joachim**, Radboud University, Department of Political Science on Information Politics
- 10:30 – 11:00 Discussion (Moderator: Gustavo Arosemena)
- 11:00 – 11:20 Break
- 11:20 – 12:50 **Breakout session B1** (Naming & Shaming) (Chair: Jennifer Sellin)
- Felipe Carvalho, *Advocacy for Freedom of Religion or Belief: An assessment of the emerging accountability-seekers*
- Kasey McCall-Smith, *The Potential Opportunities Offered by Reservations*
- Rhona Smith and Conall Mallory, *Finding Its Voice: The OHCHR in the Digital Age*
- Breakout session B2** (Information Politics)
(Chair: Gustavo Arosemena)
- Antoine Buyse and Kushtrim Istrefi, *Early adapters: Bosnia and Kosovo binding themselves to the ECHR before ratification*
- Dejana Radisavljevic, *Fighting post-conflict hate speech in Serbia through humour*
- Saori Murakami, *Complex unity: An exploration of the use of the concept of human rights in a movement against gender injustice in rural West Bengal*
- Breakout session B3** (Human rights protection distorted: the case of Poland) (Chair: Ingrid Westendorp)
- Katarzyna Sekowska-Kozłowska, *How to survive in Gilead: pursuing access to abortion in Poland*
- Aleksandra Gliszczynska-Grabias and Anna Wójcik, *The decline of the rule of law and the rise of Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation (SLAPP) in Poland*
- Łukasz Szoszkiewicz, *Access to public information in Poland: the right to know, or the right to no?*
- Joanna Grygiel, *A long story about (non) electing a Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Poland*
- 12:50 – 13:00 Break



- 13:00 – 15:00 Networking (those who do not attend the General Assembly)
General Assembly meeting (representatives of AHRI institutes)
- 15:00 – 15:10 Break
- 15:10 – 15:30 Keynote address **Prof. Michael Stein**, Harvard Law School Project on
Disability, on Strategic Litigation
- 15:30 - 15:50 Discussion (Moderator: Lisa Waddington)
- 15:50 – 16:00 Break
- 16:00 - 17:30 **Breakout session B4** (Naming & Shaming) (Chair: Jennifer Sellin)
- Ainsley Krone, *The Limits of “Naming and Shaming”: Building Relationships to Further the Rights of Children in Manitoba, Canada*
- Maria Lundberg and Yong Zhou, *The Effectiveness of ‘Knowing and Showing’ or ‘Naming and Shaming’ Strategies: The practice of the Beijing-Oslo Recommendations and beyond*
- Jake Okechukwu Effoduh, *Using ‘Public Morality’ to Overreach the Right to Freedom of Association in Nigeria*
- Breakout session B5** (Strategic Litigation) (Chair: Fons Coomans)
- Lucia van der Meulen, *Strategic litigation for human rights in the European Union: using the preliminary reference procedure for the purpose of contesting arrest warrants*
- Nikolas Feith Tan and Adel-Naim Reyhani, *Strategic litigation on EU border control at a crossroads: origins, implications and future directions*
- Nikolaos Papadopoulos, *Strategic litigation before the European Committee of Social Rights: fit for purpose?*
- Breakout session B6** (Information Politics)
(Chair: Kasey McCall-Smith)
- Maria Varaki, *Of moderation and other virtues*
- Jobair Alam and Ashbarul Bari, *How do governments respond to the human rights reports of the INGOs? An example of ‘information politics’ from the global south*
- Lena Muhs, *Between adapting and defending: contested human rights narratives in the Philippines*



Breakout session B7 (Human Rights Practices: protection and social mobilisation from below) (Chair: Peris Jones, Steffen Bo Jensen and Toby Kelly)

- Ermiza Tegal and Thiagi Piyadasa, *Protecting survivors of torture: Lessons from Sri Lanka*
- Peris Jones and Gacheke Gachihi, *Decolonising human rights: The rise of Nairobi's Social Justice Centres*
- Wangui Kimari, *To retreat or to confront? Navigating everyday torture in Nairobi.*
- Karl Hapal, *Hiding in plain sight? The torture situation in the Philippines during the Duterte administration*

17:30 – 17:40

Break

17:40 – 18:40

Picking the brains of the four keynote speakers

Saturday, 28th August

09.10 – 09.30

Speech by **Adam Bodnar**; former Ombudsman Poland

09:30 – 11:00

Breakout session C1 (Naming & Shaming) (Chair: Felix Peerboom)

- Sandra Fabijanic Gargo, *“Naming and shaming” – An (in)effective means of combating human rights violations of women and children in armed conflicts*
- Ciara Hackett and Ciarán O’Kelly, *Naming, Shaming, and the Search for Remedy in OECD National Contact Points*
- Mehmet Özyürek, *Disclosure, Human Rights and the Companies in the Occupied Palestinian Territories*

Breakout session C2 (Strategic Litigation) (Chair: Fons Coomans)

- Rosa Freedman and Nicolas Lemay-Hebert, *‘Lawfare’ and the fight for accountability: advancing human rights in Haiti*
- Peter Johansson and Johan Karlsson Schaffer, *Sámi legal mobilization to protect indigenous land rights in Sweden*

Breakout session C3 (Information Politics)

(Chair: Ingrid Westendorp)

- Marie Juul Petersen, *Lost in translation? Religious framings of human rights*
- Ivona Truscan, *Capacity-building and the promotion of human rights*
- Cristiano d’Orsi, *Ubuntu: use and abuse*



- 11:00 – 12:30 Networking
- 12:30 – 14:00 **Breakout session C4** (Naming & Shaming) (Chair: Laura Visser)
- Jacinta Maweu, *Online Viral Injustice: Naming perpetrators and shaming women Victims of Intimate Partner Violence in Kenya*
- Lorena Sosa and Alexandra Timmer, *The Glass Ceiling of Anti-Stereotyping: A Critical View Based on ECtHR Case Law*
- Bukola Ochei and Deborah Adeyemo, *The Janus Face of Shame in Nigeria*
- Breakout session C5** (National Human Rights Institutions)
(Chair: Stéphanie Lagoutte)
- Domenico Zipoli, *The role of national human rights systems in the implementation of international human rights law*
- Sébastien Lorion and Nora Götzmann, *National human rights institutions' remedy mandate: comparative case studies of three African NHRIs*
- Jonathan Liljeblad, *Exploring International Actions for NHRIs that Fail: Observations on the Silence of the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission Under a Coup*
- Breakout session C6** (Information Politics)
(Chair: Alejandro Fuentes)
- Michiel Hoornick, *Achieving the sustainable development goals through human rights*
- Ernesto Zelayandia-Gonzalez, *Framing Intersex demands. A Scoping Review*
- Fernando Dias Simões, *The WHO and 'framing'*
- 14:00 – 14:30 Break
- 14:30 - 16:00 **Breakout session C7** (Naming & Shaming) (Chair: Felipe Gómez Isa)
- Brandon Garrett, Laurence Helfer, and Jayne Huckerby, *Closing International Law's Innocence Gap*
- Eduardo Arenas Catalán, *Naming and Shaming: deconstructing and reconstructing the notion*
- Idil Isil Gul, *Domestic NGO Engagement in International Human Rights Monitoring Mechanisms: The Case of Turkey*

**Breakout session C8 (Strategic Litigation) (Chair: Fons Coomans)**

- Corina Heri, *Strategic litigation and the climate catastrophe: a human rights narrative for climate change and the potential of the ECtHR*
- Brianne McGonigle Leyh, *Strategic litigation for serious international crimes accountability: the role of civil society actors in advancing accountability efforts*
- Nurina Ally, Demichelle Petherbridge and Tarryn Cooper-Bell, *Legal mobilisation and an incapable state – successes and challenges in the struggle for scholar transport in South Africa*

Breakout session C9 (Information Politics) (Chair: Suzanne Egan)

- Elizabeth Salmón, *Negative stereotypes against Venezuelan immigrants: some recommendations to confront prejudice in the public discourse in Perú*
- Elaine Webster, *Can talking about ‘dignity’ support the growth of human rights culture?*
- Sara Miellet and Barbara Oomen, *Solidarity, pity thee or the CRC: the framing of local refugee relocation in the Netherlands*

16:00 – 16:15	Break
16:15 – 16:35	Keynote address by Prof. Rashida Manjoo , former UN Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women
16:35 – 17:00	Discussion (Moderator: Magnus Killander)
17:00 – 17:30	Closing: Fons Coomans