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## Conference on Business, Human Rights and Security

**26-27 January 2017**

**Room B2, The Hemsley, University Park Campus,  
University of Nottingham**

**Thursday, 26 January 2017 (Day 1)**

**11.00 for 11.30    Arrival and tea/coffee**

**11.30 – 13.00    Welcome and Opening:**

Professor David Harris, Co-Director, Human Rights Law Centre (HRLC), School of Law, University of Nottingham

Professor Todd Landman, PVC Social Sciences, University of Nottingham (*tbc*)

**Session I: Locating the authority of state and non-state actors in complex societal and business arrangements**

Chair: Professor Dominic McGoldrick, Co-Director, HRLC, School of Law, University of Nottingham

- Professor Nigel White, Co-Director, Nottingham International Law & Security Centre (NILSC), School of Law, University of Nottingham: '**The responsibility matrix of business, human rights and security at the national and international level**'
- Dr Laurens Bakker, Universiteit van Amsterdam, '**The complexity of authority and rights in community and business land conflicts in Indonesia**'

**13.00 – 14.00    Lunch break**

**14.00 – 15.45 Session II: The roles and responsibilities of MNCs and other business enterprises operating in weak governance states**

Chair: Professor Mary Footer, Co-Director, NILSC, School of Law, University of Nottingham

- Y Wasi Gede Puraka, Inkrisprena, Jakarta and Vincent Kiezebrink, SOMO (Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations), Amsterdam: **'State and MNC responsibility for security-related human rights abuses in the Indonesian paper and pulp sector'**
- Dr Giedre Jokubauskaite, University of Durham and International Institute for Environment and Development, London: **'Land Rights and Accountability: Lessons from West Africa'**
- Andrea Shemberg, or Andrea Saldarriaga, Laboratory for Advanced Research on the Global Economy, Human Rights Centre, LSE: *Title to be confirmed*

*Discussant:* Dr Nicole Janz, University of Nottingham School of Politics and International Relations (tbc)

**15.45 – 16.00 Afternoon tea and coffee**

**16.00 – 17.30 Session III: The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs) and the state-business-security nexus**

Chair: Dr Daria Davitti, School of Law, University of Nottingham

- Dr Radu Mares, Raoul Wallenberg Institute, Lund University: **'Corporate and state responsibility in the state-business-security nexus under the UNGPs'**
- Professor Gabor Rona, Visiting Professor of Law, Cardozo Law School, New York: **'The UN Working Group's approach to Private Security Companies and the UNGPs'**

*Discussant:* Dr Michael Addo, University of Exeter and UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights

**18.00-19.00 Key note conference address and NILSC Annual Lecture**  
(Room B63, Law and Social Sciences Building)

Professor Anita Ramasatry, University of Washington School of Law and UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights: **'Corporate and state complicity for human rights violations in conflict-affected and fragile states'**

**19.30 Conference dinner (for speakers, discussants and chairpersons)**  
Bramleys Brasserie, Orchard Hotel, University Park

**Thursday, 27 January 2017 (Day 2)**

**09.00 – 10.45      Session IV: Business, human rights and security nexus in the agricultural commodities sector**

Chair: Professor Nigel White, University of Nottingham School of Law

- Y Wasi Gede Puraka, Inkrisprena, Jakarta and Mark van Dorp, SOMO: **'Security and human rights in the Indonesian palm oil sector: the case of Asiatic Persada'**
- Professor Mary Footer, co-Director Nottingham International Law & Security Centre (NILSC) and University of Nottingham: **'Towards human rights due diligence in the global supply chain for palm oil'**

*Discussants:* Tom Griffiths or Tom Lomax, Forest People's Programme, UK; Michelle Kelsall, Nottingham and Human Rights Resource Centre, Jakarta

**10.45 – 11.00      Morning tea and coffee**

**11.00 – 13.00      Session V: Access to remedy: a review of business, human rights & security complaints and grievance mechanisms**

Chair: Professor Mary Footer, co-Director NILSC and University of Nottingham School of Law

- Anna-Marie Busatu, DECAF, Geneva: *Title to be confirmed*
- Dr Mirko Sossai, Roma Tre, Rome: **'A critical review of the codes of conduct for PSCs'**
- Jago Wadley or another, Environmental Investigation Agency International, London: **'Assessing the performance record of the Roundtable for Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) Complaints Mechanism'**
- Petra Kjell or another, Bretton Woods Project, London: **'The International Finance Corporation (IFC) CAO Ombudsman Complaints Mechanism and its contribution to the resolution of community-based claims in the natural resource sector'** (*tbc*)

**13.00                  Lunch (The Helmsley)**

**Close of conference**