

Summer School on Protecting Human Rights through United Nations Mechanisms

28 June – 2 July 2010, University of Nottingham

Programme

Day 1 Monday 28 June 2010

09:30 – 11:00	Welcome and introduction	Professor Michael O’Flaherty , Co-Director of Human Rights Law Centre, University of Nottingham and Member of the Human Rights Committee
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break	
11:15 – 12:30	The Treaty Bodies: Bringing Rights Home A DVD produced by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)	The DVD will be introduced by Susan Mathews , Secretary of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, OHCHR
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 – 14:45	Key Challenges for the Treaty Bodies Today	Susan Mathews , Secretary of the Committee on, ESCR, OHCHR
14:45 – 15:00	Coffee break	
15:00 – 16:15	Human Rights Treaty Bodies: The Reporting Procedure	Professor Michael O’Flaherty , Co-Director of Human Rights Law Centre, University of Nottingham and Member of the Human Rights Committee
16:15 – 18:00	Welcome reception	University Staff Club

Day 2 Tuesday 29 June 2010

09:00 – 10:30	Human Rights Treaty Bodies: NGO Perspectives, Case Study of Ireland at the Human Rights Committee	Tanya Ward , Deputy Director, Irish Council for Civil Liberties
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break	

10:45 – 13:00	Human Rights Treaty Bodies: The Individual Communications Procedure	Marie-Eve Friedrich , Associate Human Rights Officer, Petitions Team, OHCHR
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:30	Human Rights Treaty Bodies: NGO Perspectives, Case Study of Amnesty International	Mervat Rishmawi , Former Legal Adviser for Amnesty International
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break	
15:45 – 17:00	Human Rights in the Field: Human Rights Field Operations	Professor Michael O’Flaherty , Co-Director of Human Rights Law Centre, University of Nottingham and Member of the Human Rights Committee

Day 3 Wednesday 30 June 2010

9:30 – 11:00	Human Rights in the Field: The Professional Identity of the Human Rights Field Officer	Professor Michael O’Flaherty , Co-Director of Human Rights Law Centre, University of Nottingham and Member of the Human Rights Committee
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break	
11:15 – 12:30	Human Rights in the Field: Human Rights and Peacekeeping	Bela Kapur , Conflict Adviser with the UK's Stabilisation Unit; formerly with UN DPKO and OHCHR
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 – 15:15	Ethics for Human Rights Work	Professor George Ulrich , Rector, Riga Graduate School of Law
15:15 – 15:30	Coffee break	
15:30 – 16:30	Case Study: Human Rights Field Work in Afghanistan	Daria Davitti , former Human Rights Officer with the UN Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA)

Day 4 Thursday 1 July 2010

09:30 – 11:00	The UN Human Rights Council	Dr Bertrand Ramcharan , former UN Acting High Commissioner for Human Rights
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break	
11:15 – 12:00	Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council	Dr Bertrand Ramcharan , former UN Acting High Commissioner for Human Rights
12:00 – 12:30	The UN Human Rights Council: Universal Periodic Review (UPR)	Rachel Brett , Human Rights and Refugees Representative, Quaker UN Office, Geneva
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	

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15:15 – 15:30	Coffee break	
15:30 – 16:45	The Role of UN Headquarters Based Organs in the Protection of Human Rights	Dr Bertrand Ramcharan , former UN Acting High Commissioner for Human Rights

Day 5 Friday 2 July 2010

9:30 – 11:00	UN Special Procedures: Case Study, The Special Rapporteur on Torture	Professor Sir Nigel Rodley , Chair of the Human Rights Centre, University of Essex; Vice-Chair UN Human Rights Committee; former Special Rapporteur on Torture
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break	
11.15 – 12:30	Open Topic Panel Discussion	Professor Sir Nigel Rodley, Dr Bertrand Ramcharan, Rachel Brett, Professor Michael O’Flaherty
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:00	Closing ceremony and certificates	Certificates presented by Professor Stephen Bailey , Head of School of Law , University of Nottingham