

## **The Domestic Impact of Global and Regional Human Rights Law**

**Place: Auditorium 2, Domus Juridica, Kristian August gate 17, 0164 Oslo**

**Dates: 14 and 15 April 2025**

**14 April**

### **Introduction**

**9.00-9.05** Welcome, Ragnhild Hennum, Dean of the Faculty of Law, University of Oslo

**9.05-9.15** Introduction, Gentian Zyberi, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights

**9.15-10.00 Keynote: Rachel Murray, “The Domestic Impact of Global and Regional Human Rights Law”**

**Moderator: Gentian Zyberi, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo**

**10.00-11.30 Panel 1 UN human rights treaties and human rights standards**

**Moderator: Gentian Zyberi**

- *Michał Balcerzak*, Effective or Ineffective? Assessing the Domestic Impact and Monitoring Mechanisms of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD)
- *Krissi Shaffina Twyla A. Rubin*, A Dream Deferred? Reach, Limits, and Potential of Women’s Human Rights Jurisprudence in the Philippines
- *Katarzyna Sękowska-Kozłowska*, How to implement the CRPD recommendations on abortion in cases of fetal impairments? The clash between disability and women’s rights
- *Yaël Ronen*, Incorporation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child in Israel’s domestic law
- *Natalie Oman*, Change where it matters: The impact of the UNDRIP on legislation, jurisprudence and practice in Canada
- *Victor Lando*, The UN Guiding Principles & Digital Technologies in the Silicon Savannah: The Kenyan Experience

**11.30-11.45 Break**

**11.45-13.30 Panel 2 African system of human rights**

**Moderator: Magnus Killander**

- *Lesline Kouity*, The Integration of African Human Rights Norms into National Legal Systems: Successes, Challenges, and Resistance

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- *Niklas Hultin*, The social impact of the African Commission on Human Peoples' Rights in The Gambia during the Jammeh-era
- *Japheth Biegon*, The Application of Thematic Resolutions of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights by Domestic Courts in Africa

**13.30-14.30 Lunch**

**14-30-15.30 Panel 3 Inter-American system of human rights**

**Moderator: Natalia Torres Zuniga**

- *Kate Murphy*, Impact in the Face of Rejection? Assessing Possible Impacts of Precautionary Measures Issued by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to Protect Detainees in Nicaragua
- *Tainá Garcia Maia*, Shaping Equality: The Inter-American Court of Human Right's Influence on Constitutional Courts in Brazil and Colombia

**15.30-16.30 Panel 4 European system of human rights**

**Moderator: Matthew Saul**

- *Gabriel Toggenburg* (TBC), The Domestic Impact of the EU Fundamental Rights Charter
- *Kasey McCall-Smith*, Bridging International and Domestic Law to End Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment of Children in the UK
- *Cathérine Van de Graaf*, Mapping the Actors in a Human Rights Trajectory before the European Court of Human Rights: How Procedural Openings Enabled the Exceptional Win of a Hijabi Woman in *Lachiri v. Belgium*

**16.30-17.00 Concluding remarks, Gentian Zyberi**

**Dinner with speakers and moderators (18.00-21.00)**

**15 April**

**9.00- 10.00 Keynote: Tomas Midttun Tobiassen, “International Human Rights Law in the Norwegian Legal System”**

**Moderator: Frans Viljoen, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria**

**10.00-11.15 Panel 5 Climate change and the environment**

**Moderator: Nina Reiners**

- *Andre Nollkaemper (TBC)*, The impact of human rights institutions on national climate policies
- *Abhishek Trivedi (online)*, Indian Judiciary and Its Interpretation of International Human Rights Law in Advancing Human Rights Concerns in the Context of Climate Change Discourse in India: A Legal Analysis
- *Elsabe Boshoff*, Domestic application of the right to a healthy environment: Adjudicating Environmental Impact Assessments in Kenya and Uganda

**11.15-11.30 Break**

**11.30-12.30 Panel 6 Transitional justice**

**Moderator: Mekonen Fisseha Gebiremichael**

- *Luis F. Viveros*, On the Dilemmatic and Problematic Interaction of Modern, Rights-Based, Transitional Justice Efforts and the Anti-Impunity Tradition of the Inter-American System of Human Rights Protection: An Analysis of the Colombia Case Study
- *Maike Middeler*, Beyond Prosecution? International Human Rights Law and Legislative Responses to Historical Harms in Spain and the UK
- *Ntokozo Sibanyoni*, Reflecting on mainstream narratives as a hindrance to treaty impact: Focusing on ethnic tensions in Kenya

**12.30-13.30 Lunch**

**13.30-15.00 Panel 7 Human rights and domestic courts**

**Moderator: Frans Viljoen**

- *Magnus Killander*, The influence of normative guidance by human rights treaty monitoring bodies in the higher courts of Kenya, South Africa and Uganda
- *Kushtrim Istrefi* and *Robert Muharremi*, Incorporation of ECHR in Kosovo and its impact on international organisations and courts
- *Jasper Krommendijk (online)*, A community of courts based on a shared judicial culture? Dutch highest court judges and their engagement with the European Court of Human Rights

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- *Gebremeskel Hailu Tesfay, Mekonen Fisseha Gebiremichael, and Mulu Beyene Kidanemariam, The Impact of the African Human Rights System on Ethiopia's Judicial Landscape: A Case Study of the Decisions of the Federal Supreme Court and the House of the Federation*

**15.00-15.30 Closing remarks, Frans Viljoen and Gentian Zyberi**