

Venice School for Human Rights Defenders 15 – 21 June 2025

Academic Coordination: Training and Project Department

Sunday 15 June		Monday 16 June	Tuesday 17 June	Wednesday 18 June	Thursday 19 June	Friday 20 June	Saturday 21 June
ARRIVAL	9.30 11.00	Engaging with UN mechanisms: treaty bodies and special procedures Part I Manfred NOWAK	Equality, non- discrimination and SOGIESC in international HR law Part I Marjolein VAN DEN BRINK	Rights of indigenous peoples Felipe GOMEZ ISA	Introduction to gender-based violence: definitions, forms, theoretical and analytical perspectives Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHIDES Antónia BARRADAS	Engaging with human rights narratives George ULRICH 9.30 – 10.15 Introductuion	9.30 - 12.00 Starlight Stadium
	11.00 11.30	Break	Break	Break	Break	Group work (including break)	
	11.30 13.00	Engaging with UN mechanisms: treaty bodies and special procedures Part II Manfred NOWAK	Equality, non- discrimination and SOGIESC in international HR law Part II Marjolein VAN DEN BRINK	Environmental and climate rights Susana BORRÀS-PENTINAT	The women, peace and security agenda and conflict-related sexual violence Kalliope AGAPIOU- JOSEPHIDES Antónia BARRADAS	11.15 – 12.15 Plenary wrap up 12.15 – 13.00 Introduction to hope-based communication Thomas COOMBES	12.00 - 12.30 Wrap up debriefing
	13.00 14.00	Lunch box	Lunch box	Lunc box	Lunch box	Lunch box	12.30 – 13.30 Lunch box
16.00 Registration 16.30 Welcome addresses 17.00 Keynote speech Lorent SALEH followed by Q&A Group photo 18.00 theatre performance "La Caja de concreto" – preview by Alessandro lenzi with Lorent Saleh 19.00 Welcome aperitif	14.00 16.30	SEMINAR SESSION Video as evidence: introduction to legal principles and filming Dalila MUJAGIC WITNESS	SEMINAR SESSION OSI: introduction to open source investigative methods for human rights Dalila MUJAGIC WITNESS	SEMINAR SESSION Preliminary interviewing: documentation and ethical practices when engaging survivors and eyewitnesses Dalila MUJAGIC WITNESS	SEMINAR SESSION Beyond the institutions: using evidence in alternative pathways to justice, video reviews Dalila MUJAGIC WITNESS	14.00 – 17.00 Workshop on hope-based communication Thomas COOMBES	DEPARTURE