

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
16.00 Registration 16.30 Welcome addresses in the cloister M. NOWAK (Global Campus of Human Rights) V. BADEA (European Parliament)	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 10.15 – 11.15 Group work including 10.45 – 11.15 Coffee break 11.15 – 12.15 Plenary wrap up 12.15 – 13.00 Introduction to hope-based communication Thomas COOMBES	9.30 - 12.00 Starlight Stadium Johannes HEILER Zala CAS including 11.00 – 11.15 Coffee break
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	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		12.00 - 12.30 Wrap up debriefing
18.30 Participants' presentation	13.00 14.30	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	12.30 – 13.30 Lunch break
Group photo 19.00 Welcome aperitif served at the Hotel Mabapa	14.30 17.00	SEMINAR SESSION Video as evidence: introduction to legal principles and filming Dalila MUJAGIC	SEMINAR SESSION OSI: introduction to open source investigative methods for human rights Dalila MUJAGIC	SEMINAR SESSION Preliminary interviewing: documentation and ethical practices when engaging survivors and eyewitnesses Dalila MUJAGIC	SEMINAR SESSION Beyond the institutions: using evidence in alternative pathways to justice, video reviews Dalila MUJAGIC	14.30 – 17.30 Workshop on hope-based communication Thomas COOMBES	DEPARTURE