Advanced Course on Law, Development and Human Rights
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Course Programme and Faculty

Sisay Alemahu Yeshanew, PhD, Post-Doc Researcher, Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University
  • Using law for development purposes

Koen De Feyter, PhD, Chair of International Law, University of Antwerp
  • Taking stock: where are we now in human rights and development
  • Development through a human rights lens
  • Rights-holders - the individual in the center of development
  • The local relevance of human rights to disadvantaged groups in developing countries
  • States and IGOs as duty-bearers

Thoko Kaime, PhD, Lecturer, University of Leicester
  • Contextuality and participation in interpretation and implementation of human rights
  • Legality, legitimacy and overlegalisation

Maija Mustaniemi-Laakso, Doctoral Candidate, Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University
  • Accountability

Elina Pirjatanniemi, LL.D., Armfelt Professor of Constitutional Law and International Law, Director of the Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University
  • Human rights, development and environmental law

Sirpa Rautio, LL.M., Director of the Human Rights Centre, Finland
  • Panel discussion

Hans-Otto Sano, PhD, Senior Researcher, The Danish Institute for Human Rights
  • Impact and Change
Alessandra Sarelin, PhD, Post-Doc Researcher, Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University
  - Background and history: separate and parallel tracks of human rights and development

Tara Van Ho, PhD, Post-Doc Researcher at the University of Aarhus, Project Associate at Essex Business & Human Rights Project
  - Human rights, development and businesses
  - Human rights, development and trade & investment law
  - Human rights, development and conflict

Panel: Beyond development aid? The role of states, IGOs/IFIs and businesses in contributing to sustainable and equitable development
Elina Pirjatanniemi, Tara Van Ho, Sirpa Rautio, Hans-Otto Sano