

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN HUMAN RIGHTS LAW AND PRACTICE

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In the UK, and with Brexit looming, the challenges for human rights are mounting. From counter-terrorism to migration, policing to poverty, human rights are facing significant challenges. Further afield the refugee crisis expands, women's reproductive rights and bodily autonomy are devalued and western businesses take advantage of loose governance in poorer countries. It has been said that we are now living in a world of "stealth authoritarianism" (Varol) and "democratic degeneration" (Taylor), with many states facing an overemphasised majority principle and crisis-ridden, even collusive, constitutional courts, unable or unwilling to protect the minority's fundamental rights. This conference brings academics, researchers, activists and practitioners together in a one-day conference to discuss all of these contemporary challenges to human rights law.

To register for this conference please go to:

The conference fee includes refreshments (tea / coffee), lunch and the wine reception.

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Schedule

9 – 9.15	Registration
9.15 – 9.30	Welcome by Professor Toni Hilton
9.30 – 10.15	Keynote address Professor Helen Fenwick
10.15 – 10.30	Coffee Break
10.30 – 11.30	Parallel Session 1
11.40 – 12.40	Parallel Session 2
12.45 -1.30	Lunch
1.30 – 2.30	Parallel Session 3
2.40 – 4.00	Parallel Session 4
4.00-4.15	Coffee Break
4.15-5.00	Keynote Address Professor Paul Hunt
5.00	Closing, Presentation of Best PhD Paper and Wine Reception

9.30 – 10.15 **Keynote address:**
Professor Helen Fenwick, University of Durham
Title: Terrorism and the Control Orders / TPIMs saga as a vindication of the Human Rights Act.

10.15 – 10.30 **Coffee Break**

10.30 – 11.30 **Parallel Session 1**

Group A: Realising Human Rights: Actors and Roles

Room:

Chair: Dr Darren McStravick

Dr David Barrett, University of Exeter

Title: Creating a Futile Environment for the Growth of New Modes of Human Rights Enforcement

Dr Azadeh Chalabi, University of Liverpool

Title: Four Value Orientations Inhibiting the Realisation of Human Rights

Richard Heald, BPP University

Title: A Future for Common Law Constitutional Rights

Pam Laidman, University of Brighton

Title: Human Rights and protective paternalism for those on the fringes

Group B: Theoretical and Philosophical Approaches to Human Rights

Room:

Chair: Dr Richard Lang

Dr Mark Devenney, University of Brighton

Title: Human Rights after Personhood

Chris Griffin, University of Brighton

Title: The right not to have rights, dispossession in fiction and philosophy

Viktoria Huegel, University of Brighton

Title: Appropriating Human Rights, Arendt and Ranciere

Dr Clare Woodford, University of Brighton

Title: The Language of the Birds: human rights, authority and democratic law

11.40 – 12.40 **Parallel Session 2**

Group C: Human Rights in the Domestic Context

Room:

Chair:

Preethi Lolaksha Nagaveni, Lancaster University

Title: A Livelihood with No Life

Anit Anand, Lancaster University

Title: Honour Killings and Structural Violence in India

Hasret Cetinkaya, NUI Galway

Title: Human Rights at its Limits: Sexual Property in Kurdish Culture

Dr Claire-Michelle Smyth, University of Brighton

Title: Repealed the Eighth: Women's Battle for Bodily Autonomy in Ireland.

Group D: Socio Economic Rights: Health, Housing and Family Rights

Room:

Chair: Dr Jack Thompson

Luke Graham, Lancaster University

Title: Using a Human Rights Framework to Tackle Destitution.

Dr Claire Lougarre, University of Southampton

Title: Refugees' and asylum seekers' access to mental healthcare in the UK: From Human rights monitoring to human rights implementation

Dr Katya Alkhateeb, University of Essex

Title: Human Enhancement Drugs in the Military and Protection of Soldier's Rights in Armed Conflict

Mary O'Connor, Queens University Belfast

Title: Article 8, Family Life and International Surrogacy

12.45 -1.30

Lunch

1.30 – 2.30

Parallel Session 3

Group E: Human Rights, Criminal Law and Criminal Justice

Room:

Chair:

Sara Birch, University of Brighton

Title: Stripped of Citizenship and Facing the Death Penalty: The Legitimacy of Executive Measures in post 9/11 UK.

Lewis Graham, University of Cambridge

Title: Closed Trials and secret evidence in the United Kingdom: Three worrying trends for human rights

Dr Darren McStravick, Kingston University

Title: Victim's rights and victim's wrongs: how police led restorative justice processes are tackling the problem of victim disengagement

Sarah Field, University of Brighton

Title: Corporate Manslaughter and Human Rights: Plus ca change?

Group F: Human Rights, Business and Technology

Room:

Chair: Dr Claire-Michelle Smyth

Luis F Yanes, University of Essex

Title: Investment and Human Rights: Mutually Supportive or Equally Destructive

Steven S Nam J.D, University of Stanford

Title: The Decentralisation of Human Rights

Mary Cosgrove, NUI Galway

Title: Tax Sovereignty v Economic, Social and Cultural Rights: A new battleground for an old conflict.

Sinead Hall, In House-Lawyer

Title: The Evolving Role of Business in Human Rights and Human Rights in Business

2.45 – 4.00

Parallel Session 4

Group G: Enforcement of Human Rights: Compliance with International and Regional Bodies

Room:

Chair: Dr David Barrett

Clarissa Valli Buttow, University of Lausanne

Title: Human Rights, Due Diligence and the Exercise of Extraterritorial Jurisdiction

Maria Delia Sanchez del Angel, University of Essex

Title: International Human Rights Adjudication: Are we facing the challenges but sacrificing justice?

Dr Patricia Palacios Zuloaga, University of Essex

Title: Judging Human Rights: The Riddle of Compliance with the Inter-American Court of Human Rights

Samira Alliouj, University of Strasbourg

Title: New Public Management Within Regional Human Rights Courts: A Response to Budgetary Challenges?

Dr Narissa Ramsundar, Canterbury Christ Church

Title: Human Rights in the Context of International Criminal Justice: The ICC Case Study

Group H: Human Rights and The European Union

Room:

Chair: Sarah Field

Dr Johanna Hoekstra and Dr Olga Martin Ortega, University of Greenwich

Title: Non Financial Reporting and Human Rights: Assessing the EU and National Normative Developments

Aleydis Nissen, Cardiff University

Title: The European Union as a manager of global 'Business and Human Rights' regulation: County by Country Reporting Rules

Dr Michelle Coleman, Middlesex University

Title: Stretching the Golden Thread: The Impact of Brexit on the Presumption of Innocence

Dr Ozgur H Cinar, BPP University

Title: A journey into the unknown: Brexit and the implications for the freedom of religion and belief in the UK

Dr Richard Lang, University of Brighton

Title:

3.45 – 4.00

Coffee Break

4.00 – 4.45

Keynote Address

Professor Paul Hunt, University of Essex