



Centre for the Study of
Human Rights



A working conference for research students

Advancing Inter-disciplinarity in Human Rights Research:

Problems and Possibilities

Tuesday 20 March 2007

The day includes three sessions of workshops: one in the morning and two in the afternoon. For each of these sessions, participants will choose between two workshops. Each workshop will include two presentations from PhD candidates, chaired and commented by leading academics.

SESSION 1 11.30AM – 1.00PM

Human Rights and Wartime Abuses

‘The placement of wartime rape in international criminal law: legal gains and political losses’ – Jessica Gunhammar

‘When international and national laws collide: an examination of forced marriage in post conflict Sierra Leone’ – Chiseche Mibenge

Chair: Professor Christine Chinkin
Commentator: Dr Gerd Oberleitner

or

Rights-based Social Mobilisations

‘Transnational mobilisation of minority groups: reforming international minority rights to achieve domestic change’ – Corinne Lennox

‘Rights discourses in transition: examining human rights as a tool for the advancement of women in transitional Northern Ireland’ – Catherine O’Rourke

Chair: Dr Claire Alexander
Commentator: Professor Michael Welch

SESSION 2 2.00PM – 3.30PM

The Redefinition of Sovereignty

‘Substantiating the right to democratic governance: internal self-determination as a means of empowerment’ – Vasiliki Germanakou

‘The construction of sovereignty as responsibility: an interdisciplinary approach’ – Theresa Reinold

Chair: Professor Michael Cox
Commentator: Dr Leslie Vinjamuri

or

Interpreting Law from a Human Rights Perspective

‘The child’s right to be heard in court and its influence on best interest decisions of judges’ – Aoife Daly

‘Reconciling freedom of religion and freedom from religion: the emerging approach of EU law’ – Ronan McCrea

Chair: Dr Jenny Kuper
Commentator: Professor Conor Gearty

SESSION 3 4.00PM – 5.30PM

Changing Dimensions of Human Security

‘Interpreting the right to health under the International Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Racial Discrimination’ – Dabney P. Evans

‘Achieving human security through UN human rights law: prospects and challenges’ – Emma McClean

Chair: Dr Chaloka Beyani
Commentator: Dr Margot Salomon

or

The Sociology of Human Rights Actors

‘Advancing human rights in industrial relations scholarship’ – Jeff Hilgert

‘Which universalism? human rights and humanitarianism in conflict’ – Monika Krause

Chair: Professor Lydia Morris
Commentator: Dr Nicholas Guilhot

The full agenda is available at www.lse.ac.uk/humanrights