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PROGRAMME

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on Human Rights and Business

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CEECA Resource Hub



Day 1 - 25 September 2024 (Wednesday) All times CEST (Warsaw)	
9.00 – 09.15	Opening and welcome by organizers Beata Faracik, LL.M. The Polish Institute for Human Rights and Business (PIHRB) & Dr Olena Uvarova International BHR Lab, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University in Kharkiv, MSCA4UKRAINE Postdoc, Wageningen University
9.15 – 9.35	Key note address by Prof. Lyra Jakulevičienė Professor and the Dean of the Law School of Mykolas Romeris, University in Lithuania, member of the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises
9.35 – 10.30	CEE&CA SA Participants – introductions & expectations. Organizational issues
10.30 – 10.45	Break
10.45 – 11.30	Human rights – setting the stage Beata Faracik PIHRB
11.35 – 12.20	Enterprise, Group and Supply Chains Dr Agata Rudnicka University of Łódź, Faculty of Management
12.20 – 13.20	Lunch break
13.20 – 14.05	Business and Human Rights (BHR) before the United Nations Guiding Principles. How we got to where we are now Beata Faracik PIHRB
14.10 – 14.55	OECD Guidelines for MNEs on Responsible Business Conduct and other guidance. Overview Marian Ingrams OECD Watch
14.55 – 15.10	Break
15.10 – 16.30	Implementing the UNGPs: Global Trends & Current Challenges Dr Nadia Bernaz Wageningen University, LAW group
16.30 – 17.00	End of Day 1 recap. Rule of law and business Dr Olena Uvarova

Day 2 - 26 September 2024 (Thursday) All times CEST (Warsaw)	
9.00 – 09.10	Overview of day 2
9.10 – 10.40	Pillar I State Duty to Protect (NBAs, NAPs, etc.) Prof. Jernej Letnar Čerňič New University (Ljubljana, Slovenia) / European University Viadrina (Frankfurt (Oder), Germany)
10.40 – 11.00	Break
11.00 – 12.15	BHR & Environment. New dimensions and challenges Assistant Professor Chiara Macchi Wageningen University, LAW group
12.15 – 13.15	Lunch break
13.15 – 14.45	Pillar II - Corporate responsibility to respect human rights, with focus on the human rights due diligence in the value chain Julie Schindall Director of Responsible Sourcing and Responsible Investment, Levin Sources
14.45 – 15.05	Break
15.05 – 16.30	BHR in challenging contexts. Heightened HRDD Dr Olena Uvarova
16.30 – 17.00	End of Day 2 recap Beata Faracik

27 September 2024 (Friday) All times CEST (Warsaw)	
9.00 – 09.10	Overview of Day 3
9.10 – 10.25	NCP OECD grievance mechanism - underused or ineffective? Bartosz Kwiatkowski Frank Bold Foundation
10.25 – 10.40	Break
10.40 – 12.15	Pillar III - Access to remedy. State judicial and non-judicial and non-state, operational level grievance mechanisms Dr Claire Methven O’Brien Baxter Fellow and Lecturer in Law at the School of Law of the University of Dundee
12.15 – 13.15	Lunch break
13.15 – 14.00	Meaningful stakeholder engagement Dr Samentha Goethals Assistant Professor in Business and Society at SKEMA Business School
14.05-14.50	Minority & Indigenous peoples rights in the business context. FPIC Dr Dorothee Cambou Assistant Professor of Sustainability Science, Faculty of Law, University of Helsinki
14.50-15.10	Break
15.10-15.55	BHRRC’s work in EECA region: available data and resources Vladyslava Kaplina Research Assistant Eastern Europe & Central Asia, The Business & Human Rights Resource Centre (BHHRRC)
16.00 – 16.45	Grievance mechanisms Mark Wielga Director of Nomogaia
16.45-17.00	Discussion and end of part I

Weekend break
(28-29 September 2024)

30 September 2024 (Monday) All times CEST (Warsaw)	
9.00 – 9.30	Introduction to the practice-oriented part of the Summer Academy. Review of the material from part I Q&A Beata Faracik & dr Olena Uvarova
9.30 – 10.30	BHR and HRDD in practice Maxime Belingheri Human Rights Manager, L'Oreal
10.30 – 10.45	Break
10.45 – 11.45	Being a business practitioner Ron Popper Chief Executive Officer, Global Business Initiative on Human Rights (GBI)
12.00 – 13.00	Supply chain: a case study Ron Popper
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch break
14.00 – 14.45	Role of investors in contributing proactively to the protection of human rights Dr Rebecca DeWinter-Schmitt Associate Program Director, Investor Alliance for Human Rights
14.45 – 15.00	Break
15.00 – 16.30	Human Rights Impact Assessments - methodology and practice Gabriela Factor Chief Advisor on Human Rights and Business, Danish Institute for Human Rights
16.30 – 17.00	End of day recap

1 October 2024 (Tuesday) All times CEST (Warsaw)	
9.00 – 10.30	Workshop - BHR in practice Part I Due diligence: entering a new business venture. (Case studies) Ron Popper & Andrea Shemberg Chair, The Global Business Initiative on Human Rights (GBI)
10.30 – 10.45	Break
10.45 – 12.15	Workshop - BHR in practice Part II Doing business in high-risk areas. (Case studies) Ron Popper & Andrea Shemberg
12.15 – 13.00	Lunch
13.00 – 13.55	Workshop - BHR in practice Part III Human rights risks for business in climate change mitigation. (Case studies) Ron Popper
14.00 – 14.45	TEST
14.45 – 15.00	Break
15.00 – 16.30	Discussion: Next steps for BHR in the CEE&CA region. Speakers: • Dr Siniša Milatović United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) • Dr Jacqueline Kacprzak Counsellor CSR Unit, Polish OECD National Contact Point for Responsible Business Conduct, European Affairs and International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy • Olya Paneva Founder and Executive Director, Bulgarian Foundation on Business and Human Rights • Murat Karypov Project coordinator, The human rights movement Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan
16.30 – 17.00	Official Closing