

Toogdag 2025: Access to Justice

Wednesday 11 June 2025: PhD Workshop

15.30 - 17.00 | Networking for PhDs

[GR -1.060 (Rota 1)]

Speed networking with senior researchers, including members of the Steering Committee and Advisory Board of the NNHRR

17.00 – 18.30 | Meeting of the Steering Committee and Advisory Board

[GR 1.102 (FdR) Alumni Lounge]

17.30 - 19.00 | PhD Drinks

Networking activity for PhD students with drinks @ The Boules Club

19.00 | Dinner

Joint dinner for PhD students and members of the steering Committee and Advisory Board of the NNHRR @ Restaurant Mira

Thursday 12 June 2025: Annual Conference

09.00 - 10.00 | Registration & Coffee

[entrance Grotius; GR 0.100]

10.00 - 10.15 | Welcome and opening

Welcome and opening by prof. dr. Jasper Krommendijk, Chair of the Netherlands Network of Human Rights Research

Introduction to the theme and keynote speaker by prof. dr. Machteld Vonk and Emilia Klebanowski

10.15 – 11.15 | Keynote by prof. dr. Helen Duffy

[GR 0.100]

Lecture by prof. dr. Helen Duffy, Professor of International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law at the Grotius Centre & an experienced practicing international lawyer



11.20 - 12.45 | Parallel Sessions I

Business & Human Rights [Session organized by the Working Group] [GR 1.116]

Justice and Global Business: Sustainability, Due Diligence, and Dispute Resolution

Chair: Nicky Touw (PhD Candidate, Open University)

- Sustainability Due Diligence: Normative Foundations, Operating Principles and Economic Perspectives on Legal Design Silvia Ciacchi (PhD Candidate, Erasmus University Rotterdam)
- Unveiling Local Narratives in Investment Disputes: The Case of Alamos Gold v Türkiye
 Abdurrahman Erol (PhD Candidate, Erasmus University Rotterdam)

Migration & Borders [Session organized by the Working Group] [GR 1.120]

Chair: Nesli Soylu (PhD Candidate, Radboud University)

- Access to justice for stateless persons: to be recognized before the law Gezy Schuurmans (PhD Candidate, Tilburg University)
- Designing access to justice for and with refugee children in Belgian asylum appeal procedures: lessons learned and ways forward Sara Lembrechts (PhD Candidate, Ghent University)
- An LGBTQI+ child rights approach to eligibility for asylum status Elias Tissandier (PhD Candidate, Leiden University)
- The Interplay of Criminal and Human Rights Law in Accessing Justice for Stateperpetrated Harms Against Migrants: Exploring a Multifaceted Approach Irina Fehr (PhD Candidate, Tilburg University)





Human Rights in the Digital Age: Access to Justice in the Digital Society [Session organized by the Working Group] [GR 1.129]

Chair: Anna Smulders (PhD Candidate, Leiden University)

- Non-material damage compensation and the GDPR Sophia Salziger (PhD Candidate, University of Groningen)
- Countering SLAPPs in the Netherlands: a case study with wider lessons

 Gabi Trogrlic, Wisse van der Lelij and prof. dr. Tarlach McGonagle (University of Amsterdam)

Access to justice - mobilisation and litigation [GR 1.133]

Chair: Sandra Arntz (PhD Candidate, Radboud University)

- Legal Mobilisation the death penalty in India Anubhav Shekhar (European University Institute)
- Preventing human harm: Exploring the lack of requests for interim measures by the Inter-American Human Rights System to protect prisoners in El Salvador Kate Murphy (Joint PhD Candidate Ghent University and KU Leuven)
- Why not bring a case before the European Court of Human Rights: A qualitative exploration of factors influencing lawyers in Turkey Rengin Tarhan (Utrecht University)

12.45 - 14.00 | Lunch break

[entrance Grotius; GR 0.100]

14.00 - 15.30 | Parallel Sessions II

Human Rights & the Climate Crisis: Access to Justice for the Climate Crisis [Session organized by the Working Group] [GR 1.116]

Chair: Dr. Julie Fraser

- Climate Change before International Human Rights Courts and Bodies: Towards Procedural Justice
 - Lianne Baars (PhD Candidate, Leiden University)
- Changing the system by entering it: Disadvantages of being an external stakeholder in corporate climate litigation
 Irem Akin (PhD Candidate, Erasmus University)
- Hearing the Outside Voice: The Role of Non-Citizens in Corporate Climate Lawsuits
 - Clara Kammeringer (PhD Candidate, University of Amsterdam)



 Bringing Climate Justice to EU Free Trade Agreements: The Struggle for Access of Civil Society in the Trade and Sustainable Development Chapters dr. mr. Esra Akdogan (Wagenigen University)

Economic, Social & Cultural Rights: Social Rights and Access to Justice in the Netherlands [Session organized by the Working Group] [GR 1.120]

Chair: Lucas Dikkers (PhD Candidate, Radboud University)

- Access to Justice and the Rule of Law: Barriers and Safeguards mr. dr. Nathalie Schnabl (Open University)
- Justiciability of social rights in the Netherlands Insights into housing and poverty Jolanda Andela (College voor de Rechten van de Mens)
- 'Sociale grondrechten proeve' an attempt to review the social rights in the Dutch Constitution
 - prof. dr. Gijsbert Vonk (Groningen University and Maastricht University)

Access to justice - challenges and innovations [GR 1.129]

Chair: Lisa van Roermund (PhD Candidate, Radboud University)

- Beyond the courtroom: Innovative models for advancing access to Justice Dr. Kasim Balarabe (Jindal Global Law School)
- Regulatory sand boxes for LLM-backed legal counselling: Building sandcastles or facilitating access to justice?
 - Dr. Magdalena Brewczynska (Tilburg University)
- Towards a rights of nature approach to uphold the objective dimension of environmental human rights in international law
 Julian Suarez (PhD Candidate, University of Cork)

Access to justice - integration and discrimination [GR 1.133]

- InteGration: Tackling chronic challenges in the field of integration of refugees in Greece
 - Vivi Paschalidou (Radboud University)
- Access to justice for exploited migrant workers on the margin of protection in the European Union
 - Dr. Amy Weatherburn (KU Leuven)
- The chilling effect of systemic discrimination upon access to justice Konrad Turnbull (PhD Candidate, University of Groningen)



15.30 - 16.00 | Coffee & Tea break

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16.00 - 16.05 | Shelter City

[GR 0.100]

Shelter City 10 years & poem - Qader Shafiq

16.05 - 17.15 | Plenary Panel

[GR 0.100]

Chair: dr. Annick Pijnenburg

- Dr. Lisa-Marie Komp, lawyer at Prakken d'Oliveira, Human Rights Lawyers and assistant professor Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- Prof. dr. Liesbeth Lijnzaad*, Judge at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, endowed professor Practice of International Law (part time), Maastricht University & Chair of the Advisory Board of the NNHRR
- Prof. dr. Morten Kjaerum*, professor at Aalborg University, former director of the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) (2008-2015) and the Danish Human Rights Institute (1991-2008) and member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (2002-2008)
- Eduard Nazarski*, former director of the Dutch section of Amnesty International (2006-2019) and the Dutch Refugee Council (2000-2006)

17.15 | Closing and drinks

Closing by prof. dr. Jasper Krommendijk, Chair of the Netherlands Network of Human Rights Research

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