

Sussex Centre for Human Rights Research

# CHALLENGING HUMAN RIGHTS DISENCHANTMENT 50 YEARS ON FROM THE ICCPR AND ICESCR

## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Friday 27 January 2017  
University of Sussex, Fulton Building

09:30 – 10:00	Registration and coffee (Fulton Building, Room G15)
10:00 – 11:20	<p><b>Opening plenary: How real is human rights disenchantment 50 years after adoption of the ICCPR and ICESCR?</b> (Fulton Building, Lecture Theatre A)</p> <p>Moderator: Alex Conte, Sussex Centre for Human Rights Research</p> <p>Keynote addresses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pamela Palmater, Ryerson University, Canada</li> <li>• Mona Rishwami, UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights</li> </ul> <p>Moderator's comments, followed by questions from the floor</p>
11:20 – 11:40	Coffee break (Fulton Building, Room G15)
11:40 – 13:00	<p><b>Morning parallel sessions</b></p> <p><i>Group 1: Human rights in international relations and theory</i> (Fulton Building, Room F-112)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Louiza Odysseos, University of Sussex Global Studies</li> <li>• David Karp, University of Sussex (international relations): What is the responsibility to 'respect' human rights?</li> <li>• Jessica Duggan-Larkin, University of Exeter (law): Human rights and the international action of States</li> <li>• Natalie Rose Davidson, Hebrew University Jerusalem (law): The empirical turn in human rights as a challenge to disenchantment</li> <li>• Jana Lozanoska, UN University for Peace (political philosophy): Human dignity as core to human rights through Hannah Arendt's political theory</li> </ul> <p><i>Group 2: Economic, social and cultural rights</i> (Fulton Building, Room F-113)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Gianluca Gentili, Sussex Law School</li> <li>• Jeremie Gilbert, University of East London (law): The right to freely dispose of natural resources – utopia or forgotten right?</li> <li>• Sharifah Sekalala, University of Warwick (law): Can we solve global health problems without rights?</li> <li>• Aristi Volou, University of Leicester (law): Weaknesses in the protection of social and economic rights</li> <li>• Nancy Albhaisi, Canterbury Christ Church University (education): Refugee learners' disenchantment of human rights education in Gaza</li> </ul>

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	<p><i>Group 3: UN human rights mechanisms</i> (Fulton Building, Room F-114)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Alex Conte, Sussex Law School</li> <li>• Jane Cowan, University of Sussex (anthropology): Hope and Disappointment in the Universal Periodic Review</li> <li>• Ioanna Pervou, International Hellenic University (law): ICCPR and CPED: the interplay and common struggle against disappearances</li> <li>• Kevin De Sabbata, University of Leeds (law): Human rights disenchantment and UN Committees – a Case Study</li> </ul>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break (Fulton Building, Room G15)
14:00 – 15:30	<b>First set of afternoon parallel sessions</b>
	<p><i>Group 4: Human rights, society and the rule of law</i> (Fulton Building, Room F-112)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Elizabeth Craig, Sussex Law School</li> <li>• Ian David Turner, University of Central Lancashire (law): A communitarian approach to human rights – a re-engagement with fundamental freedoms</li> <li>• Alban Krasniqi, University of Texas at Austin and University of Pristina (law): Impact of the ICCPR and ICESCR in the constitutional framework of countries in Southeast Europe</li> <li>• Vivek Bhatt, University of Edinburgh (political philosophy): A legal politics of human rights</li> <li>• Ilaria Zavoli, University of Leeds (law): In absentia proceedings and international human rights law – compatibility or clash?</li> </ul>
	<p><i>Group 5: Discrimination and marginalization</i> (Fulton Building, Room F-113)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Stephanie Berry, Sussex Law School</li> <li>• Katarzyna Sekowska-Kozłowska, Poznan Human Rights Centre, Institute of Law Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences (law): Re-internalizing women’s human rights in the UN mainstream</li> <li>• Frederick Cowell, Birkbeck University of London (law): Understanding disenchantment over cultural divergence in international human rights law</li> <li>• Wiebke Ringel, Max Planck Foundation for International Peace and the Rule of Law: ICCPR, ICESCR and the CRPD: challenging human rights paradigms in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century</li> </ul>
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break (Fulton Building, Room G15)
16:00 – 17:30	<b>Second set of afternoon parallel sessions</b>
	<p><i>Group 6: Challenges in human rights protection</i> (Fulton Building, Room F-112)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: David Karp, University of Sussex Global Studies</li> <li>• Valentina Azarova, Koç University, Istanbul (law): The road to hell is paved with good intentions – The need for IHRL protection against ‘structural violations’ and ‘unlawful regimes’</li> <li>• Edward Guntrip, University of Sussex (law): A sociological perspective on investment arbitrators and human rights</li> <li>• Allwell Uwazuruike, University of Central Lancashire (law): Human rights protection in Africa – Stagnation of the African Court</li> </ul>

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	<p><i>Group 7: Human rights in the digital age</i> (Fulton Building, Room F-113)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Alban Webb, Sussex Humanities Lab</li> <li>• Judith Townend, University of Sussex (law): Protecting the identity of confidential sources – legal and technological vulnerabilities</li> <li>• Joseph Latimer, Tallinn University (law and politics): A Marxian analysis of surveillance and the right to privacy</li> <li>• Asaf Lubin, Yale University (law): Mass surveillance and the myth of a universal right to privacy</li> <li>• Maria Bjarnadottir, University of Sussex (law): Who is responsible for protecting human rights on the internet?</li> </ul>
17:40 – 18:20	<p><b>Closing plenary: Where to now? How can we challenge human rights disenchantment?</b> (Fulton Building, Lecture Theatre A)</p> <p>Moderator: Charlotte Skeet, Sussex Centre for Human Rights Research</p> <p>Keynote address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Andrew Clapham, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland</li> </ul> <p>Moderator’s comments, followed by questions from the floor</p>
18:30 – 19:30	<p>Cheese and wine reception (Fulton Building, Room G15)</p>

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