

Workshop

Exploring the 'Human' of the European Court of Human Rights

5 – 6 September 2024, University of Zurich

THURSDAY 5 September

From 12:15: *Welcome Snacks* (RAA-E-30)

13:00 – 13:15: Dean's Welcome, [Thomas Gächter](#) (RAA-E-8)
Opening by Alice Margaria and Cathérine Van de Graaf

Panel 1: Who Counts as Human?

13:15 – 15:00 (RAA-E-8) – chaired by [Tilmann Altwicker](#) (University of Zurich)

- *Does the ECHR System Envisage Children as Humans to Be Served by the ECtHR? Searching for the Best Interests of the Child at the ECtHR*, [Kateřina Šimáčková](#) (ECtHR)
- *Revisiting the Subject of Human Rights in the Anthropocene*, [Corina Heri](#) (University of Zurich)
- *Apropos Legal Status: Civic Stratification, Differential Exclusion, and the Human Rights of Migrants*, [Moritz Baumgärtel](#) (University College Roosevelt, Utrecht)
- *The 'Human' in European Human Rights Law with a United Nations Human Rights Law Counter-point*, [Başak Çalı](#) (Hertie School & University of Oxford)

15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee break*

Panel 2: Humans on and Before the Bench

15:30 – 16:45 (RAA-E-8) – chaired by [Daniel Moeckli](#) (University of Zurich)

- *Humans on the Bench: The Changing Profile of the Strasbourg Judges (1959-2019)*, [Mikael Rask Madsen](#) (University of Copenhagen)
- *Who Are the Humans Behind Human Rights in Eastern Europe and Russia?*, [Agnieszka Kubal](#) (University College London)
- *Juggling Justice: Views from the Strasbourg Bench*, [Alice Margaria](#) (University of Zurich)

16:45 – 17:30 *Snacks / Aperó*

17:30 – 19:00 **KEYNOTE CONVERSATION** (RAA-G-15)

Judges' Responsibility for the 'Visible' and the 'Invisible' in Front of the Court

[Kateřina Šimáčková](#) (ECtHR Judge) and [Angelika Nußberger](#) (former ECtHR Judge and Director, Academy of European Human Rights Protection, University of Cologne)

19:00 *Dinner at UniTurm* (invitation only)

FRIDAY 6 September

Panel 3: Mobilising Before the Court

9:00 – 10:45 (KOL-E-13) – chaired by [Elif Askin](#) (University of Zurich)

- *The ECtHR's Case-law Seen Through the Lens of Intersectionality*, [Maya Hertig Randall](#) (University of Geneva)
- *To Review, or Not to Review the Discrimination Complaint. A Study of the Patterns in the European Court of Human Rights' Examination of Article 14*, [Cathérine Van de Graaf](#) (University of Cologne)
- *"Call Me by My Name": Why Do Minorities Mobilize to Change Their Names Before the Courts?*, [Kadir Eryilmaz](#) (MPI for Social Anthropology)
- *Activists in International Courts: Lawyers, Human Rights Advocates, and War*, [Freek van der Vet](#) (University of Helsinki)

10:45 – 11:15 *Coffee break*

Panel 4: The Court in Context (1)

11:15 – 13:00 (KOL-E-13) – chaired by [Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou](#) (University of Liverpool)

- *The Protection of the Individual under International Law. Is the ECtHR at the Forefront?*, [Marie-Claire Foblets](#) (MPI for Social Anthropology)
- *Normative Assumptions About Human, Society, and State in the Jurisprudence of the ECtHR*, [Esra Demir-Gürsel](#) (Hertie School)
- *Living in and with the Rule of Law: An Anthropological Perspective*, [Jessica Greenberg](#) (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign)

13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch break*

Panel 5: The Court in Context (2)

14:00 – 15:30 (KOL-E-13) – chaired by [Sarah Trotter](#) (LSE)

- *Judicial Review by the European Court of Human Rights: Between the Margin of Appreciation and 'Convention Constitutionalism'*, [Roland Pierik](#) (Maastricht University)
- *Zooming in and Zooming out: The European Court of Human Rights Between Inclusive Humanity and Concrete Humans*, [Eva Brems](#) (University of Ghent)
- *Assessing the Vulnerability of Applicant: The Practice of Awarding Legal Aid*, [Ezgi Özlü](#) (University of Luxembourg)
- *The Human and the Implementation of the ECtHR Judgments: From Distance to Instrumentalization*, [Élisabeth Lambert](#) (Nantes University)

15:30-16:00 *Concluding Remarks – Future Plans*

18:30 *Informal dinner*

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