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# DRAFT PROGRAMME

II CEE&CA Summer Academy on Human  
Rights and Business

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| <b>Day 1 - 25 September 2024 (Wednesday)</b><br>All times CEST (Warsaw) |   |
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| 9.00 – 09.20  | <b>Opening and welcome by organizers</b><br>Beata Faracik, LL.M.   The Polish Institute for Human Rights and Business (PIHRB)<br>& Dr Olena Uvarova   International BHR Lab, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University<br>in Kharkiv, MSCA4UKRAINE Postdoc, Wageningen University |
| 9.20 – 10.00  | <b>CEE&amp;CA SA Participants – introductions &amp; expectations</b>  |
| 10.00 – 10.30   | <b>Organizational issues</b>  |
| 10.30 – 10.45   | <b>Break</b>  |
| 10.45 – 11.30   | <b>Human rights – setting the stage</b><br>Beata Faracik, PIHRB   |
| 11.35 – 12.20   | <b>Enterprise, Group and Supply Chains</b><br>Dr Agata Rudnicka   University of Łódź, Faculty of Management   |
| 12.20 – 13.20   | <b>Lunch break</b>  |
| 13.20 – 14.05   | <b>Business and Human Rights (BHR) before the United Nations Guiding Principles.<br/>           How we got to where we are now</b><br>Prof. Peter Muchlinski   International Commercial Law, the School of Oriental and<br>African Studies (SOAS), University of London         |
| 14.10 – 14.55   | <b>OECD Guidelines for MNEs on Responsible Business Conduct and other guidance.<br/>           Overview</b><br>Marian Ingrams   OECD Watch (TBC)  |
| 14.55 – 15.10   | <b>Break</b>  |
| 15.10 – 16.30   | <b>Implementing the UNGPs: Global Trends &amp; Current Challenges</b><br>Dr Nadia Bernaz   Wageningen University, LAW group   |
| 16.30 – 17.00   | <b>End of Day 1 recap. Rule of law and business</b><br>Dr Olena Uvarova   |

| Day 2 - 26 September 2024 (Thursday)<br>All times CEST (Warsaw) |  |
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| 9.00 – 09.10  | Overview of day 2  |
| 9.10 – 10.40  | <b>Pillar I</b><br><b>State Duty to Protect (NBAs, NAPs, etc.)</b><br>Prof. Jernej Letnar Črnič   New University (Ljubljana, Slovenia) / European University Viadrina (Frankfurt (Oder), Germany)                |
| 10.40 – 11.00   | Break  |
| 11.00 – 12.15   | <b>BHR &amp; Environment. New dimensions and challenges</b><br>Assistant Professor Chiara Macchi   Wageningen University, LAW group  |
| 12.15 – 13.15   | Lunch break  |
| 13.15 – 14.45   | <b>Pillar II - Corporate responsibility to respect human rights, with focus on the human rights due diligence in the value chain</b><br>Julie Schindall   Senior leader and advisor on business and human rights |
| 14.45 – 15.05   | Break  |
| 15.05 – 16.30   | <b>BHR in challenging contexts. Heightened HRDD</b><br>Dr Olena Uvarova & Dr Siniša Milatović   United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)  |
| 16.30 – 17.00   | <b>End of Day 2 recap</b><br>Beata Faracik   |

| 27 September 2024 (Friday)<br>All times CEST (Warsaw) |  |
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| 9.00 – 09.10  | Overview of Day 3  |
| 9.10 – 10.40  | <p><b>Pillar III - Access to remedy. State judicial and non-judicial and non-state, operational level grievance mechanisms</b></p> <p>Dr Claire Methven O’Brien   Baxter Fellow and Lecturer in Law at the School of Law of the University of Dundee</p> |
| 10.40 – 11.00   | <b>Break</b>   |
| 11.00 – 12.15   | <p><b>NCP OECD grievance mechanism - underused or ineffective?</b></p> <p>Bartosz Kwiatkowski   Frank Bold Foundation</p>  |
| 12.15 – 13.15   | <b>Lunch break</b>   |
| 13.15 – 14.00   | <p><b>Meaningful stakeholder engagement</b></p> <p>Dr Samentha Goethals   Assistant Professor in Business and Society at SKEMA Business School</p>   |
| 14.05-14.50   | <p><b>Minority &amp; Indigenous peoples rights in the business context. FPIC</b></p> <p>Dr Dorothee Cambou   Assistant Professor of Sustainability Science, Faculty of Law, University of Helsinki</p>   |
| 14.50-15.10   | <b>Break</b>   |
| 15.10-15.55   | <p><b>BHRRC’s work in EECA region: available data and resources</b></p> <p>Ella Skybenko   Senior Researcher &amp; Representative, The Business &amp; Human Rights Resource Centre (BHHRC)</p>   |
| 16.00 – 16.45   | <p><b>Corruption as a BHR issue</b></p> <p>(TBC)</p>   |
| 16.45-17.00   | <b>Discussion and end of part I</b>  |

***Weekend break***  
***(28-29 September 2024)***

| 30 September 2024 (Monday)<br>All times CEST (Warsaw) |  |
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| 9.00 – 9.10   | <b>Introduction to the practice-oriented part of the Summer Academy</b><br>Beata Faracik & dr Olena Uvarova                    |
| 9.10 – 10.30  | <b>Review of the material from part I   Q&amp;A</b>  |
| 10.30 – 10.45   | <b>Break</b>   |
| 10.45 – 11.45   | <b>Being a business practitioner</b><br>Ron Popper   Chief Executive Officer, Global Business Initiative on Human Rights (GBI) |
| 12.00 – 13.00   | <b>Supply chain: a case study</b><br>Ron Popper  |
| 13.00 – 13.45   | <b>Lunch break</b>   |
| 13.45 – 14.45   | <b>BHR and HRDD in practice</b><br>Maxime Belingheri   Human Rights Manager, L'Oreal   |
| 14.45 – 15.00   | <b>Break</b>   |
| 15.00 – 16.30   | <b>Human Rights Impact Assessments - methodology and practice</b><br>(TBC)   |
| 16.30 – 17.00   | End of day recap   |

| <b>1 October 2024 (Tuesday)</b><br>All times CEST (Warsaw) |   |
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| <b>9.00 – 10.30</b>  | <b>Workshop - BHR in practice Part I</b><br><b>Due diligence: entering a new business venture. (Case studies)</b><br>Ron Popper & Andrea Shemberg   Chair, The Global Business Initiative on Human Rights (GBI)   |
| <b>10.30 – 10.45</b>                                       | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>10.45 – 12.15</b>                                       | <b>Workshop - BHR in practice Part II</b><br><b>Doing business in high-risk areas. (Case studies)</b><br>Ron Popper & Andrea Shemberg   |
| <b>12.15 – 13.00</b>                                       | <b>Lunch</b>  |
| <b>13.00 – 13.55</b>                                       | <b>Workshop - BHR in practice Part III</b><br><b>Human rights risks for business in climate change mitigation. (Case studies)</b><br>Ron Popper   |
| <b>14.00 – 14.45</b>                                       | <b>Role of investors in contributing proactively to the protection of human rights</b><br>Dr Rebecca DeWinter-Schmitt   Associate Program Director, Investor Alliance for Human Rights  |
| <b>14.45 – 15.00</b>                                       | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>15.00 – 16.30</b>                                       | <b>Discussion: Next steps for BHR in the CEE&amp;CA region.</b><br><b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Olya Paneva   Founder and Executive Director, Bulgarian Foundation on Business and Human Rights</li> <li>• Murat Karypov   Project coordinator, The human rights movement Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan</li> <li>• 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</li> </ul> |
| <b>16.30 – 17.00</b>                                       | <b>Official Closing Ceremony</b>  |