



## Summer School Business and Human Rights

I Edition (A.Y. 2017/2018) 18-22 June 2018

Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa, Italy

### The Course

The rise of contemporary economic globalisation has changed the traditional view on the duties of businesses, leading to an intense international debate about their global role and their human rights responsibilities. The *Business and Human Rights Summer School* intends to provide an understanding of the main challenges concerning the connection between business activities and human rights, with particular attention to some crucial issues: the role and obligations of States; the recent and emerging human rights-related legislation regulating corporate activities worldwide; the access to effective remedies for victims of corporate-related human rights abuses.

The Summer School will provide participants with up-to-date insights into the business and human rights international debate from a variety of legal, regulatory, and policy perspectives. A specific focus will be afforded to the content and impact of the 2011 UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, to the process of their implementation at national and international level, as well as to the ongoing discussion of an international treaty on Business and Human Rights.

In line with the polycentric structure of the UN Guiding Principles, the Summer School is organized around three Modules concerning, respectively, the State duty to protect human rights (I), the corporate responsibility to respect human rights (II) and the victims' access to remedy (III).

The Summer School aspires to provide students, researchers, NGO workers, lawyers, CSR experts and other public- and private-sector practitioners with comprehensive knowledge of the legal mechanisms and tools applicable in the field of business and human rights while keeping up with current relevant developments at national, regional and international level.

**Deadline**  
**23 April 2018**

### Programme

Module I – The State Duty to Protect Human Rights  
Module II – The Corporate Responsibility to Respect Human Rights  
Module III – Victims' Access to Remedy

The final detailed programme will soon be available for download on the course's website.

**Confirmed speakers:** PAULO PINTO DE ALBUQUERQUE, NADIA BERNAZ, FLAVIANO BIANCHINI, ANGELICA BONFANTI, MARTA BORDIGNON, JERNEJ L. ČERNIČ, MARCO FASCIGLIONE, DANIEL LEADER, SHELDON LEADER, CHIARA MACCHI, MADDALENA NEGLIA, FABRIZIO PETRI, DEBORAH RUSSO, ELENA SANTIEMMA, ALESSANDRA STABILINI, TARA VAN HO, CLODIA VURRO.

### Teaching activities

The course consists of 35 hours of teaching activities, organized in morning and afternoon sessions, including traditional lecture-style instruction, interactive sessions and case-study analyses. Lectures will be delivered by leading scholars and practitioners. The course includes a keynote workshop and a final workshop with stakeholders and policy makers.

### Scientific Directors

- **ANGELICA BONFANTI**, University of Milan 'La Statale'
- **MARTA BORDIGNON**, Human Rights International Corner (HRIC)
- **MARCO FASCIGLIONE**, Institute for Research on Innovation and Services for Development, National Research Council of Italy
- **CHIARA MACCHI**, Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies

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## Organizing and Host Institutions

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The Summer School on Business and Human Rights is jointly organized by the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies (Dirpolis Institute), the University of Milan 'La Statale', the Institute for Research on Innovation and Services for Development of the National Research Council of Italy (IRISS-CNR), and Human Rights International Corner (HRIC). The course will be held at the premises of the Sant'Anna School, in Pisa, Italy.

The Chair of the first edition (A.Y. 2017/2018) is **ANDREA DE GUTTRY**, Full Professor of International Law at the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies and head of the Dirpolis Institute.

The Summer School also enjoys the support of the Italian Interministerial Committee on Human Rights (CIDU).

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## Scientific Committee (in alphabetical order)

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The Committee is composed of external experts who kindly agreed to supervise the quality of the course's programme and structure.

- **JOANNE BAUER**, Senior Researcher, Business and Human Rights Program, Institute for the Study of Human Rights, Columbia University.
  - **NERINA BOSCHIERO**, Full Professor of International Law, Dean of the Law Faculty, University of Milan.
  - **KARIN BUHMANN**, Professor with special responsibilities in Business & Human Rights, Copenhagen Business School.
  - **GIUSEPPE CATALDI**, Professor of International Law and International Human Rights Law, University of Naples 'L'Orientale'.
  - **CARMEN MARQUEZ CARRASCO**, Full Professor of International Law, Department of International Law and International Relations, University of Seville; Founder of the Observatory on Human Rights and Business.
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## Language

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**English** (working knowledge is required).

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## Participants

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The Summer School is open to anyone with an interest in the business and human rights field area, such as students, lawyers, researchers, NGO workers, CSR specialists, private and public sector practitioners or similar.

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## Fees

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The Summer School fee is **550,00 EUR** and includes attendance costs, tutorship, reference material, lunch at the canteen of the *Scuola Sant'Anna* for the entire duration of the course, access to the library of the *Scuola*, and free access to the Wi-fi within the *Scuola* premises.

A discounted early-bird registration fee, amounting to **450,00 EUR**, will apply to all applications received before March 8th, 2018.

Accommodation in Pisa is the responsibility of the participants, as any other additional expenses such as visa and travel costs, etc.

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## Application & deadline

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**The application deadline is 23 April 2018.**

Applications have to be submitted online at:

**<http://www.santannapisa.it/bhr/application>**

Applications must include the following:

**1. Application form**, specifying: a) Surname, name, place and date of birth, citizenship; b) address and contact details for any communication; c) knowledge of English; d) motivation statement.

**2. Applicant's CV/résumé.**

The maximum number of participants is 30 persons. The Summer School course will be activated with a minimum of 10 participants.

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