
HUMAN RIGHTS TALK

Covid-19 & Human Rights: Lessons learned from the pandemic

Thursday, December 10th 2020, 6 pm

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2020 has been a year filled with major challenges. The pandemic raises various difficulties, both on a personal and societal level, and it highlights underestimated human rights issues. What about the right to education when schools are closed? How can the rights to data protection or freedom of assembly be preserved under the current health protection measures? Under which conditions can infringements of human rights be justified and what are the limits? Let us take the opportunity to learn from the crisis.

On the occasion of **Human Rights Day**, a Human Rights Talk will focus on the **consequences of the Covid-19 crisis on human rights**, address how the pandemic has aggravated pre-existing threats on human rights of vulnerable groups, but also shed light on possible avenues for a democratic and human rights compliant recovery.

Following a keynote speech by **Dunja Mijatović**, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, high-level experts will participate in a panel discussion and take questions from the audience.

PROGRAMME

Introduction

Ursula Kriebaum, Professor of Public International Law, Law Faculty, University of Vienna

Keynote speech

Dunja Mijatović, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, Strasbourg

Panel discussion

Werner Amon, Ombudsman, Republic of Austria and Secretary General, International Ombudsman Institute (IOI), Vienna

Rosa Logar, Managing Director, Domestic Violence Intervention Centre, Vienna

Dunja Mijatović, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, Strasbourg

Nils Muižnieks, Regional Director Europe, Amnesty International, London

Chair: Sarah Emler, Journalist, Austrian Broadcasting Corporation, Vienna

Discussion with the audience

PARTICIPATION & INFORMATION

Join us via [Facebook live stream](#) and pose your questions using the live chat. Participation does not require registration or a Facebook account.

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