

## TRAINING COURSE FOR NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS ON THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS SYSTEM

Online, April 26–13 May 2021

**(all times indicated CET)**

<b>Monday, April 26, 2021</b>		<b>ONLINE</b>
Topic: Opening of the Course		Chair: <i>Salome Lienert, FES</i>
<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>	
<b>14:00–14:15</b>	<b>Welcoming Remarks</b> <i>Hajo Lanz, FES / Katharina Rose, GANHRI / Vladlen Stefanov, OHCHR / Viviana Mojica-Aurelio, UNITAR</i>	
<b>14:15–15:20</b>	<b>Self-Introduction of the course-participants</b>	
<b>15:20–15:35</b>	<b>Introduction to the course: The international human rights system and national human rights institutions</b> <i>Katharina Rose, GANHRI</i> NHRIs and the international human rights system	
<b>15:35–15:50</b>	<b>Introduction to OHCHR and its National Institutions and Regional Mechanisms Section</b> <i>Vladlen Stefanov, OHCHR</i> Work of OHCHR Section on National Institutions and Regional Mechanisms	
<b>15:50–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure</b>	

**Tuesday, April 27, 2021**

**ONLINE**

Topic: UN Treaty Bodies

Chair: *Salome Lienert, FES*

<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:15</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b> of the previous day
<b>14:15–14:40</b>	<b>Cooperation among NHRIs: The Role of GANHRI</b> <i>Katharina Rose, GANHRI Geneva Representative</i> GANHRI: Mandate and functions
<b>14:40–15:00</b>	<b>The Paris Principles and the Accreditation Process</b> <i>Vladlen Stefanov, Chief, National Institutions &amp; Regional Mechanisms Section, OHCHR</i> The Paris Principles and the GANHRI accreditation process
<b>15:00–15:05</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>15:05–15:50</b>	<b>The Treaty Body System: Overview</b> <i>Felix Kirchmeier, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights</i> Core and supplementary human rights treaties and their development. The mandate and functions of UN human rights treaty bodies and NHRI contribution opportunities
<b>15:50–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure</b>

**Wednesday, April 28, 2021**

**OFFLINE**

Review of NHRIs' accreditation process, their role at the UN & Introduction to torture prevention

<b>2 hours</b>	Instructions on homework will be given on the previous day
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**Thursday, April 29, 2021** **ONLINE**

Topic: Convention against Torture Chair: *Katharina Rose, GANHRI*

<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:15</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b> of the previous day
<b>14:15–15:50</b>	<b>The treaty body system: Activity session on torture prevention</b> <i>Ben Buckland, Audrey Olivier Muralt, APT</i> Strategic measures on torture prevention thorough engagement with treaty bodies and domestic actions
<b>15:50–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure</b>

**Friday, April 30, 2021** **OFFLINE**

Review of NHRIs' contributions to the UN Treaty Body system, with a focus on torture prevention

<b>2 hours</b>	Instructions on homework will be given on the previous day
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**Monday, May 03, 2021** **ONLINE**

Topic: Introduction to Charter-based bodies Chair: *Katharina Rose, GANHRI*

<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:15</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b> of the previous day
<b>14:15–15:00</b>	<b>Example of the Human Rights Committee</b> <i>Patrick Mutzenberg, CCPR Centre</i> Specificities of the Human Rights Committee and NHRI contribution opportunities
<b>15:00–15:05</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>15:05–15:45</b>	<b>The Human Rights Council: The Three Pillars</b> <i>Adrien-Claude Zoller, Geneva for Human Rights</i> Overview of the three pillars of the UN and its bodies: peace (Security Council); development (ECOSOC); human rights (Human Rights Council)
<b>15:50–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure</b>

Tuesday, May 04, 2021

**ONLINE**

Topic: Introduction to Charter-based bodies

Chair: *Salome Lienert, FES*

<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:15</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b> of the previous day
<b>14:15–15:00</b>	<b>The Human Rights Council: The Mechanisms</b> <i>Adrien-Claude Zoller, Geneva for Human Rights</i> The Human Rights Council: Mechanisms, sessions, agenda and program of work, decision-making, its system of Special Procedures, and NHRI contribution opportunities as well as information technology
<b>15:00–15:05</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>15:05–15:50</b>	<b>The Human Rights Council: Contribution Opportunities for NHRIs</b> Sharing of experiences of NHRIs at the HRC: challenges, solutions, and collaborative problem solving
<b>15:50–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure</b>

Wednesday, May 05, 2021

**OFFLINE**

Review of NHRIs engagement at HRC &  
Introduction to UN Special Procedures

<b>2 hours</b>	Instructions on homework will be given on the previous day
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Thursday, May 06, 2021

**ONLINE**

Topic: UN HRC Special Procedures

Chair: *Katharina Rose, GANHRI*

<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:15</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b> of the previous day
<b>14:15–15:00</b>	<b>Charter-based bodies: Special Procedures – An Overview</b> <i>Federica Donati, Human Rights Officer, OHCHR</i> Special Procedures: independent experts appointed by the Human Rights Council
<b>15:00–15:05</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>15:05–15:45</b>	<b>Charter-based bodies: Special Procedures – An Overview</b> <i>Federica Donati, Human Rights Officer, OHCHR</i>

	Thematic and country mandates and functions: research, country visits, studies, consultations, urgent appeals, and cooperation with NHRIs
<b>15:50–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure</b>

<b>Friday, May 07, 2021</b>	<b>OFFLINE</b>
Introduction to the Universal Periodic Review	

<b>2 hours</b>	Instructions on homework will be given on the previous day
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<b>Monday, May 10, 2021</b>	<b>ONLINE</b>
Topic: The Universal Periodic Review	Chair: <i>Katharina Rose, GANHRI</i>

<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:15</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b> of the previous day
<b>14:15–14:35</b>	<b>Charter-based bodies: The Universal Periodic Review</b> <i>Mona M'Bikay, UPR Info</i> The UPR: Mandate, objectives, and the UPR cycle
<b>14:35–15:50</b>	<b>Charter-based bodies: Case study &amp; activity</b> Facilitation of UPR consultations – with government, parliamentarians, CSOs, and local communities
<b>15:50–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure for whole group</b>
	<b>Group Work for Regional Groups 1 &amp; 2 (Americas, Africa, MENA &amp; Europe)</b>
<b>16:00–16:10</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>16:10–16:50</b>	<b>Preparation of a UPR Report</b> Group work to prepare and present a report
<b>16:50–17:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure for Regional Group</b>

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

**ONLINE**

Topic: The Universal Periodic Review

Chair: *Katharina Rose, GANHRI*

	<b>Group Work for Regional Group 3 (Asia/Europe)</b>
<b>08:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>09:00–09:10</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b>
<b>09:10–09:50</b>	<b>UPR activity</b> Group work
<b>09:50–10:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure for Regional Group</b>
	<b>Regular Whole Group Session</b>
<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:10</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b> of the previous day
<b>14:10–14:55</b>	<b>UPR activity</b> Sharing and debriefing on activity
<b>14:55–15:55</b>	<b>UPR Group Activity</b>
<b>15:55–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure for entire group</b>
	<b>Group Work for Regional Groups 1 &amp; 2 (Americas, Africa MENA &amp; Europe)</b>
<b>16:00–16:10</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>16:10–16:45</b>	<b>Finalization of Exercise and preparation of Presentation</b>
<b>16:45–17:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure for Regional Group</b>

**Wednesday, May 12, 2021**

**ONLINE**

Topic: The Universal Periodic Review

Chair: *Salome Lienert, FES*

	<b>Group Work for Regional Group 3 (Asia/Europe)</b>
<b>08:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>09:00–09:10</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b>
<b>09:10–09:45</b>	<b>Finalization of Exercise and preparation of Presentation</b>
<b>09:45–10:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure for regional Group</b>
	<b>Regular Whole Group Session</b>
<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:10</b>	<b>Recapitulation</b> of the previous day
<b>14:10–15:05</b>	<b>Sharing and debriefing on activity</b>
<b>15:05–15:50</b>	<b>Experience Sharing Café</b>
<b>15:50–16:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Closure</b>

**Thursday, May 13, 2021**

**ONLINE**

Topic: Closing of the Course

Chair: *Katharina Rose, GANHRI*

<b>13:45</b>	<b>Zoom Meeting Room Open</b>
<b>14:00–14:30</b>	<b>Wrap-up of the Training</b>
<b>14:30–15:15</b>	<b>Feedback Discussion</b>
<b>15:15–15:40</b>	<b>Evaluation</b>
<b>15:40–16:00</b>	<b>Closing Ceremony</b>