

ADVANCED TRAINING COURSE ON INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS MECHANISMS

Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung
Geneva, 31 October - 4 November 2011

Please make sure to have your passport with you at all times!

Sunday, October 30, 2011

Until 17:00 **Arrival** and individual check-in at Hotel Drake-Longchamps

17:45 **Meeting** in the Lobby of Hotel Drake-Longchamps

18.00 – 19:00 **Introduction** and Welcome to the Training Course
Felix Kirchmeier (Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung)

Restaurant **Mamounia**, Boulevard Georges-Favon 10
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Introduction of the course participants

19:00 Welcome **Dinner**

Monday, October 31, 2011

Venue: Room RS-181, Palais Wilson, 52 Rue des Paquis

7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast
9:00	Meeting at Venue (Palais Wilson, 52 Rue des Paquis) and Registration of the participants at the United Nations
10:00 – 10:30	Opening of the Course Felix Kirchmeier (Senior Program Officer, FES)
	Introduction to the aims and pedagogy of the course Nazar Abdelgadir (Executive Director, GIHR)
10:30 – 11:00	Activities of the OHCHR , Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in the MENA Region Frej Fenniche (Chief, MENA Region, Field Operations, OHCHR)
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee / Tea Break
Theme I: THE INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION SYSTEM – Treaty Bodies	
11:30 – 13:00	The International system of protection and promotion of human rights: The nine core human rights Conventions and the eight main human rights Treaty Bodies Presentation by Nazar Abdelgadir (GIHR)
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch Break
14:30 – 16:00	The International system of protection and promotion of human rights: The purpose of reporting, the preparation and drafting of a national report Presentation by Nazar Abdelgadir (GIHR)
16:00 - 16:30	Coffee / Tea Break
16:30 – 17:30	The Committee Against Torture within the system of Treaty Bodies Workshop led by TBD Nazar Abdelgadir and Mais Nawaiseh

Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Venue: Room RS-181, Palais Wilson, 52 Rue des Paquis

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

9:00 – 09:30 **Recapitulation** of the previous day
Presentation by participants

Theme II: OHCHR AND PARTICIPATION AT TREATY BODY SESSIONS

10:00 – 13:00 **Participation** at the 47th session of the Committee Against Torture
Consideration of Morocco: Questions by the Committee
Palais Wilson 1st floor – Conference Room

13:00 – 14:30 Sandwich **Lunch Meeting** with Geneva based NGO representatives
Room RS-181

14:30 – 15:30 The **Universal Periodic Review** of the Human Rights Council
Presentation by Mohamed Abouharthia, Universal Periodic Review Section,
Human Rights Council Branch, OHCHR

15:30 - 16:00 Debriefing on the session by Nazar Abdelgadir

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee / Tea Break

16:30 – 18:30 Workshop on **national reporting**
Parallel Reports to Treaty Bodies; Complaint Procedure
Led by Nazar Abdelgadir (GIHR) and Mais Nawaiseh

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Venue: Room RS-181, Palais Wilson, 52 Rue des Paquis

7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast
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9:00 – 9:30	Recapitulation of the previous day Presentation by participants
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Theme III: MECHANISMS of the Human Rights Council	
9:30 – 10:30	The Mandate of the Civil Society Unit at OHCHR Presentation by June Ray (OHCHR)
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10:30 – 11:00	Coffee / Tea Break
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11:00 – 12:00	The Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council Presentation by TBD (Special Procedures Division, OHCHR)
12:00 – 13:00	Discussion with UN Special Procedure mandate holder on possibilities of interaction for NGOs – Facilitated by Mais Nawaiseh Professor Osman El Hajée, Member of the Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances (WGEID)
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13:00 – 15:00	Lunch Break
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15:00 – 18:00	Participation at the 47 th session of the Committee Against Torture Consideration of Morocco: Replies by Morocco Palais Wilson 1st floor – Conference Room
18:00 – 18:30	Debriefing on the CAT session by Nazar Abdlegadir
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19:30 – 22:00	Dinner meeting with CAT Vice-Chairperson Essadia Belmir and the Delegation of Morocco (tbc)

Thursday, November 3, 2011

Venues: FES Office / ILO / OHCHR (Palais Wilson)

7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast
9:00 – 9:30	Recapitulation of previous day Presentation by participants Geneva Office of the FES, 6bis, Chemin du Point-du-Jour
09:30 – 10:00	Transfer to the ILO Building
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee / Tea Break at ILO
10:30 – 11:30	The role of the International Labour Organization in the protection and promotion of Human Rights Presentation by Fouad Bitar (ILO); venue: Room no. 6-153 (6th floor), ILO
11:30 – 12:00	Transfer to Palais Wilson
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch Meeting with Ibrahim Salama , Chief, Human Rights Treaties Division PW 2-052
13:30 – 15:00	Press Conference of the Human Rights Committee on its 103 rd session, including the examination of: Jamaica, Kuwait, Norway, Iran, Malawi Free time for private meetings to be scheduled by the participants Optional sight-seeing visit at the UN Palais des Nations

Friday, November 4, 2011

Venue: Room RS-181, Palais Wilson, 52 Rue des Paquis

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

9:00 – 9.30 **Recapitulation** of previous day
Presentation by participants

Theme IV: NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

9:30 – 10:30 **Workshop on the Follow-Up to UPR** Recommendations in the Arab Region
Presentations prepared by the participants
Discussion led by Nazar Abdelgadir (GIHR) and Mais Nawaiseh

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee / Tea Break

11:00 – 12:30 **Workshop** on the Follow-Up to UPR Recommendations in the Arab Region
(Continued)

12:30 – 13:00 **Data access** on the internet / extranet pages of OHCHR

13:00 – 14:30 Closing Lunch
Restaurant xxxxxxxxxxxx, Genève

14:30 – 15:30 **Evaluation** of the Program

15:30 – 16:30 Distribution of **Certificates** (FES) (GIHR) (OHCHR), **Closure** of the program

Saturday, November 5, 2011– Departure

Responsible for the Program:

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