

WARSAW HUMAN DIMENSION CONFERENCE

WARSAW, POLAND, 30 SEPTEMBER – 11 OCTOBER 2024

8:30 – 9:30

Plenary: No Child Left Behind: The impact of Russia's war of aggression on children in Ukraine/ Delegation of Canada to the OSCE

Opera: Life in captivity: 10 years of the occupation of Ukrainian Crimea and resistance to the Russian aggression/ Public Organization CrimeaSOS; Human Rights Centre ZMINA; Crimean Human Rights Group; Human Rights House Foundation; Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Saski: From Aid to Illegality: The Criminalization of Humanitarian Support for Migrants/ Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights

Królewski: Foreign Agent-Style Laws in Central Europe: Implications on Civil Society, Human Rights and Rule of Law/ Transparency International Hungary; American Bar Association

13:30 – 14:30

Belweder: The Role of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) in Elections and Presentation of the ODIHR Handbook for the Observation of ICT in Elections/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Plenary: Arbitrary Detention of Ukrainian Civilians Amidst Russia's War of Aggression: Accountability for Perpetrators and Justice for Victims/ Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the International Organizations in Vienna

Saski: Universal jurisdiction: the path to justice and solidarity in finding and prosecuting international criminals/ Ukrainian Legal Advisory Group; Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights; Public Interest Journalism Lab

Królewski: How Foreign Agent-Style Laws Impact Media Freedom in Eurasia: The Case of Kyrgyzstan/ American Bar Association

Opera: Incitement to genocide of Ukrainians in the Russian and Belarusian propaganda: results of documentation, analysis and recommendations for international action/ Prospect Foundation / iSANS – The International Strategic Action Network for Security

18:30 – 19:30

Plenary: Voices of Resilience: Migrant and Refugee Women in Contemporary Crises/ Network of Afghanistan Diaspora Organisations in Europe (NADOE)

Belweder: The role of civil society and international actors in supporting adjudication of war crimes by national courts/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Saski: Combating Impunity through Inter-State and Civil Society Cooperation on Universal Jurisdiction/ Civil Rights Defenders

Królewski: Implementing Electoral Recommendations: How to Improve the Follow-up Framework for OSCE Participating States/ European Exchange

8:30 – 9:30

Plenary: Political Prisoners in Belarus. Prospects for Release and Support/ Freedom House; The "21 May" Support Fund; Association of Relatives and former political prisoners "Free Belarus Prisoners"

Saski: Media, information, and literacy: development in times of war/ OSCE Secretariat

Belweder: Silencing women environmental journalists: the effects of abusive litigation and how to counter it/ Office of the Representative on Freedom of the Media

Opera: In Pursuit of Justice: What Should the Justice Architecture for Ukraine Look Like Based on the Experience of Victims and the Needs of the Justice System/ Public Interest Journalism Lab; Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights; Ukrainian Legal Advisory Group; Media Initiative for Human Rights

Królewski: Imprisoned at Home, Harassed Abroad: The Persecution of Tajik Journalists/ Fundacja na Rzecz Integracji Miedzykulturowej (Foundation for Intercultural Integration); Committee to Protect Journalists

13:30 – 14:30

Plenary: Political Prisoners in Belarus: Working Together to Advocate their Release/ Permanent Representation of France to the OSCE

Królewski: Russian Elections Expose: Apathy and Degradation/ Golos Movement

Saski: Restrictions of Freedom of Movement and Murder Cases as a consequence of Russian Occupation/ State Security Service of Georgia

Opera: Climate Change and Refugee Health: Mitigating Vulnerabilities and Anticipating Future Challenges/ For Social Welfare of Citizens Public Union

Belweder: Building together. Presentation of the ODIHR Guidance on establishing and maintaining National Survivors of Trafficking Advisory Council (NSTACs)the Observation of ICT in Elections/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

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Plenary: Five Years On – Arbitrary Detentions of ISIS-affiliated Individuals in North East Syria and the Responsibility of OSCE Participating States for the Repatriation of their Nationals/ Reprieve; OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Belweder: AI-generated disinformation in the context of elections/ Delegation of Malta to the OSCE; Office of the Representative on Freedom of the Media; OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Królewski: Georgia: How Restrictive Foreign Agent-Style Law Affects Civil Society, Media and Human Rights?/ Human Rights Advocacy and Democracy Fund; American University; Georgian Democracy Initiative; Consumer Rights Center; American Bar Association; Committee to Protect Journalists

Opera: Enhancing human rights-based and victim-centred approach to identification of and assistance to victims of human trafficking/ OSCE Secretariat; Office of the Special Representative/Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings

Saski: Belarus' Human Rights Crisis: Status & Recommendations to Participating States/ Human Rights House Foundation

TUESDAY, 1 OCTOBER

WEDNESDAY, 2 OCTOBER

8:30 – 9:30

Plenary: Obstacles faced by refugees from Ukraine/ Hungarian Helsinki Committee

Saski: The OSCE Decision 7/20 must work in practice: position and recommendations of the CSP Working Group on Fight against Torture and Enforced Disappearances/ SOVA Center for Information and Analysis; Public Verdict Foundation

Opera: How Russia persecutes Ukrainians. Reconstruction of the crimes committed in three regions of Ukraine/ Media Initiative for Human Rights

Królewski: Political prisoners in Azerbaijan/ Institute for Human Rights

Belweder: Out of the Shadows: Addressing Trafficking in Persons Belonging to Minorities, including National Minorities/ OSCE Secretariat

14:30 – 15:30

Plenary: Political prisoners in Russia/ Permanent Delegation of Sweden to the OSCE

Saski: Kazakhstan's Fight Against Torture: Challenges, Solutions, and Progress/ Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the OSCE

Królewski: Breaking the Cycle of Western Corporate Complicity in Russia's War Crimes in Ukraine/ International Partnership for Human Rights

Opera: Emerging trends in repression by authoritarian governments in Eurasia: A comparative review of counter-terrorism and counter-extremism legislation and practices/ Kazakhstan International Bureau for Human Rights and the Rule of Law

16:00 – 17:00

Plenary: Responding to "Foreign Agents" Legislation to Support Civil Society Resilience/ United States Mission to the OSCE

Saski: Preventing and Combatting Torture in Places of Detention - In Theory and in Practice/ Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark; Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the OSCE

Królewski: Constrained Voices: The State of Human Rights and Civil Society in Turkey/ Truth Justice Memory Center; Netherlands Helsinki Committee

Opera: Political Persecution in Russia: New Wave of Repression/ OVD-Info; Human Rights Center Memorial

8:30 – 9:30

Plenary: Threats against human rights, democracy and climate justice ahead COP29 in Azerbaijan/ Climate Observers Partnership

Saski: Examining Russia's Policy of Enforced Disappearances in Ukraine/ Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group (KhPG); Center for Civil Liberties; Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union

Opera: Torture as a State Policy: a Case of Ukrainian Prisoners of War/ Netherlands Helsinki Committee

14:30 – 15:30

Plenary: Enhancing the rule of law through whistleblowers protection/ Institute for Reporters' Freedom and Safety

Saski: Russian Human Rights Community in the Fight Against Impunity/ Moscow Helsinki Group

Królewski: Stolen Childhood: Role of the Belarusian Regime in Displacing, Re-educating and Militarizing Ukrainian Children/ Human Rights Centre ZMINA; Regional Center of Human Rights; Freedom House

Belweder: Reflecting on 20 years of ODIHR's Legislative Assistance: Highlights, Trends and Challenges/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

16:00 – 17:00

Plenary: Political persecution in Turkmenistan and Karakalpakstan/ Turkmenistan Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights; Kazakhstan International Bureau for Human Rights and the Rule of Law; Human Rights Center Memorial

Saski: Climate Justice, Authoritarianism, and COP29/ Crude Accountability; Freedom Now

Królewski: Rule of law and occupied Crimea: illegal trials as a tool of persecution/ Center of Political Analysis and Forecasting "Crimea"

Opera: Addressing attacks on lawyers and the rule of law in Turkey: a profession on trial/ Lawyers for Lawyers

8:30 – 9:30

Plenary: Climate Security in the Context of the Russian Full-Scale Invasion of Ukraine— Impacts on Environment and Human Rights/ DRA e.V.; Crude Accountability

Opera: Transgenderism. A treath to children's, women's and the family rights/ Pantarey Foundation

Królewski: On the Situation of LGBTQIA+ Human Rights in Kazakhstan/ Human Rights Consulting Group Public Foundation

14:30 – 15:30

Plenary: Breaking the Chains: Addressing Kleptocracy and Corruption in Central Asia — Human Rights, Democratic Reform, and the Role of Sanctions/ Freedom for Eurasia; Norwegian Helsinki Committee

Saski: Anti-LGBT+ legislation and its consequences: the case of Russia/ Charitable Fund Sphere

Belweder: Launch of ODIHR's "Belief, Dialogue and Security" Guide/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Opera: Conditions of detention of Ukrainian prisoners of war and civilian hostages in Russian captivity/ Free Russia Foundation; Center for Civil Liberties

Królewski: Civic Space in Central Asia: Strategical additional paths to justice in OSCE region/ Human Rights Movement Bir Duino-Kyrgyzstan

16:00 – 17:00

Plenary: Why Are There No Armenians in Nagorno-Karabakh? Presenting evidence of war crimes and crimes against humanity against the civilian population of Nagorno-Karabakh/ Democracy Development Foundation; International Partnership for Human Rights

Saski: Religious Freedom Under Attack: Russia's Actions in Occupied Ukraine/ Center for Civil Liberties

Belweder: Launch of ODIHR's report "The right to monitor assemblies in the OSCE region: experiences from the field"/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Królewski: Torture and Persecution of Civilians as Crimes Against Humanity by the Russian Authorities in Ukraine: Ensuring International Accountability/ World Organisation Against Torture / Organisation Mondiale Contre la Torture (OMCT); The Media initiative for human rights/Медійна ініціатива за права людини; Human rights centre ZMINA; International Federation for Human Rights; Physicians for Human Rights

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Opera: Ethnic cleansing of Armenians in Nagorno Karabakh: the right to safe and dignified return/ Human Rights Union of Nagorno-Karabakh Refugees

Saski: Safe and dignified return of displaced persons/ Western Azerbaijan Community

Królewski: Decline in democracy and increased threats to freedom of religion or belief in Georgia/ Tolerance and Diversity Institute (TDI); Oslo Coalition for Freedom of Religion or Belief, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo

14:30 – 15:30

Plenary: Tolerance and Non-Discrimination and the role of Civil Society/ Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Saski: Council of Europe Comprehensive Approach to Combating Hate Speech and Crime/ Council of Europe

Królewski: The phenomenon of Armenian refugeeism/ Panarmenian Union Gardman-Shirvan-Nakhijevan

Opera: Indigenous peoples in Russia are being criminalized and ruined, their rights violated by the state and mining companies/ Anti-Discrimination Centre Memorial; Non-Commercial Legal Entity Arctida

16:00 – 17:00

Plenary: Young Voices of Hope in Times of Division/ KAICIID International Dialogue Centre

Saski: Religious discrimination and hate crimes in Europe. A cause of concern in France and Germany/ Coordination des Associations et des Particuliers pour la Liberté de Conscience

Belweder: Ending Statelessness in the OSCE Area/ OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities; OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights; UNHCR Liaison Office to the OSCE and Vienna-based UN Agencies

Opera: Canaries in the Coal Mine: Linking the Human Rights of LGBTQI+ Persons in the OSCE Region with Democratic Resilience/ U.S. Department of State

Królewski: Impunity is contagious. Rethinking security and human rights on the Polish-Belarusian border. Can Poland do better?/ Club of Catholic Intelligentsia; Egala Association; Migration Consortium

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Plenary: Promoting human right compliant and gender responsive armed forces/ Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF)

Królewski: Inter-religious and inter-cultural dialogue in support of peace and security/ Centre for Religion, Human Values, and International Relations

14:30 – 15:30

Plenary: Defending Dignity: Addressing Human Rights Crisis and Transnational Repressions Against Karakalpak Activists in Uzbekistan/ Norwegian Helsinki Committee

Saski: Confronting Hate: Hate Speech, Roots, Facilitators, and Prevention Strategies/ Solidarity With Others

Belweder: Addressing Roma Human Rights Concerns in Ukraine Through Dialogue Between Government, Civil Society and International Community/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Opera: New illegal instruments of persecution of political opponents by the Lukashenka regime: incommunicado detention, repeated convictions, trials in absentia and other forms of transborder repression/ Center of the Belarussian Solidarity

Królewski: Effective Remedy Measures to prevent the disappearance of autochthonous Minorities in their native land: the case of the Greek Orthodox Minority of Istanbul/ Ecumenical Federation of Constantinopolitans

16:00 – 17:00

Plenary: Mobilizing the OSCE Moscow Mechanism to examine of the forced displacement of Belarusians and their persecution abroad/ Human Rights Center Viasna; Legal Initiative; National Anti-Crisis Management

Saski: Documenting the Systematic Attack on Ukraine's Medical Infrastructure/ Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union

Belweder: The Needs, Capacity and Potential of Roma and Sinti Women's Organizations and Activists in the OSCE Region/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights European Union Delegation to the International Organisations in Vienna; United States Mission to the OSCE; Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE; Permanent Mission of Finland to the OSCE

Opera: Importance of local democratic communities in the countryside/ Institute for Democracy at UMB

Królewski: From Propaganda to International Crimes: Unpacking the Dimensions of Hate in Russia's War against Ukraine/ Social Action Centre

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Saski: The Power of Change: The Role of Civil Society in Criminalizing Gender-Based Violence in Kazakhstan/ Public Foundation for The Parliamentary Development in Kazakhstan

Belweder: Engaging Men to Support Gender Equality: From Awareness to Action/ OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights; OSCE Secretariat Gender Issues Programme; Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE; Permanent Delegation of Norway to the OSCE

Królewski: Violation of basic human rights and principles of equality, especially of women and children in the territory of AP Kosovo and Metohija/ Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the OSCE and other International Organizations in Vienna

16:00 – 17:00

Plenary: On the situation with the protection of women's rights from domestic violence in Uzbekistan/ NGO Central Asian progress and Integration Forum

Belweder: Train to WIN – OSCE efforts on standardizing trainings on Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG)/ OSCE Secretariat Gender Issues Programme; OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina; Permanent Delegation of Finland to the OSCE; Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the OSCE