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Hi, there!

Welcome you to the first Human Rights Academy launched at China University of Political Science and Law in 2009.

We aims to provide the participants an unique opportunity to pursue their human rights career in academia or international institutions.

From 1-12 July 2019, you are going to meet a group of highly motivated and devoted human rights scholars and practitioners from oversea universities and international organizations.

We look forward to working with you to promote human rights education.

Prof. Dr. ZHANG Wei
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Gudmundur Alfredsson



- *Introduction to International Human Rights Law*
- *Civil and Political Rights*
- *Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*
- *Minority and Indigenous Rights*
- *How to get a UN job*

Prof. Gudmundur Alfredsson, Master of Comparative Jurisprudence (MCJ) from New York University Law School, 1976; and Doctor of Juridical Science (SJD) from Harvard Law School, 1982.

His previous academic positions include Professor in the Polar Law Master Program at the University of Akureyri in Iceland, Invited Professor at the Law Faculty of the University of Strasbourg, Visiting Professor at the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (RWI) in Lund, Sweden. He is currently a professor of law at the Institute for Human Rights, China University of Political Science and Law.

He also served as International civil servant with the United Nations Secretariat in New York (Office of Legal Affairs) and Geneva (Centre for Human Rights), 1983-1995; He was also the chairman of the expert consultation meetings that drafted the Lund Recommendations on the Effective Participation of National Minorities in Public Affairs, OSCE, 1998-1999; He was the chairman/rapporteur of the UN Working Group on Minorities in 2006, and a member of the UN Sub-Commission for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, 2004-2006; He was an expert member of the Danish-Greenlandic Self-Governance Commission (2004-2008); and he has lectured on public international law and human rights in about 80 countries.

Prof. Gudmundur Alfredsson is also working as editor-in-chief of both the International Journal of Minority and Group Rights and of the Yearbook of Polar Law and as Co-Editor of the Nordic Journal of International Law, all published by Brill Academic Publishers in the Netherlands, regular peer reviewer of articles for publication in these and other periodicals. Also service as evaluator/assessor of projects/publications for the Norwegian and Icelandic Research Councils, the Danish Institute of Human Rights, Sida, the European Commission and the Fundamental Rights Agency of the European Union, and others.

He has been awarded Honorary Member of the Indian Society of International Law, 2009; Knight of the Icelandic Falcon Order (Fálkaorean, awarded by the President in December 1998); Commander-first grade-of the Swedish Polar Star (Nordstjärnan, awarded by the King in November 1998).

Brian Burdekin AO

- ▶ *National Human Rights Institutions*
- ▶ *Business and Human Rights*
- ▶ *The Convention against Torture*
- ▶ *How to get a UN job*



Brian Burdekin is Visiting Professor at the Raoul Wallenberg Institute in Sweden, International Adviser to National Human Rights Institutions in Africa, Asia and Central and Eastern Europe, and lectures widely on the role of NHRIs. He was appointed Professorial Visiting Fellow at the University of New South Wales Faculty of Law in 2008.

From 1995 to 2003, as Special Adviser on National Institutions, Regional Arrangements and Preventive Strategies to the first three United Nations High Commissioners for Human Rights, he conducted over 200 missions to countries in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America where governments or civil society wanted to create an independent Human Rights Commission. In the past 25 years he has helped to establish such Commissions in over 70 countries.

Prior to taking up his appointment with the United Nations, Professor Burdekin was, from 1986 to 1994, the first Federal Human Rights Commissioner of Australia. In this capacity he conducted major national inquiries into the systemic abuse of particularly vulnerable groups—including the homeless, mentally ill and people with disabilities. In 1990-1991 he was one of the key figures involved in drafting the United Nations principles prescribing the minimum standards for National Human Rights Institutions (the “Paris Principles”), subsequently adopted by the UN General Assembly.

From 1976 to 1986 he served as Principal Advisor to a former Australian Prime Minister, Deputy Prime Minister, Trade Minister, Minister for Federal-State Relations and the Federal Attorney General. Prior to this he was a diplomat and lawyer.

In 1995, Professor Burdekin was made an Officer of the Order of Australia for his services to human rights both in Australia and in other countries. He is generally considered to be the leading international expert on National Human Rights Institutions.

Jonas Grimheden



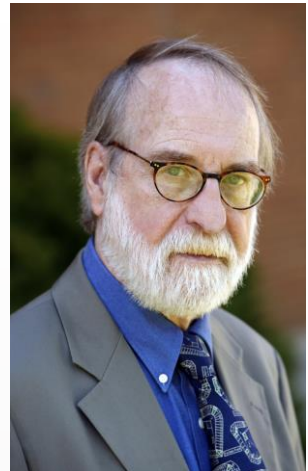
- *Human Rights in the European Union*
- *Organizations boosting trade between states need a human rights conscience-the case of the European Union*

Dr. Jonas Grimheden is Head of Sector Access to Justice at the European Union's human rights advisory body, the Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) in Vienna, Austria. He is presently working on studies related to victims support services; fundamental rights indicators and the freedom to conduct a business. He is a specialist in international human rights law, with an example of a publication being *International Human Rights Monitoring Mechanisms*, edited with G. Alfredsson, B. Ramcharan, and A. de Zayas (Brill 2009).

Before joining the FRA in 2009, Jonas Grimheden was a researcher and teacher based at the Raoul Wallenberg Institute (RWI), Lund University, Sweden where he was the Deputy Head of the Academic Department. Earlier he worked for the RWI with human rights development cooperation where he established and headed an office in China, 1999–2000. In 2004 he was a “Thunberg-scholar” at Niigata, Nagoya, and Waseda law schools in Japan. 2005–2006 he was a visiting assistant professor at Cornell Law School, and 2006–2007 a part-time visiting professor at China University of Political Science and Law. He has conducted research and taught at both academic and practitioner levels, for longer and shorter stints mainly in the US, Europe, and Asia. In addition to international human rights law, he has also taught comparative law and Chinese law. In 2009 he was appointed Associate Professor (Docent) of International Human Rights Law at the Law Faculty, Lund University.

Bert Lockwood

- ▶ *Human Rights and the United States*
- ▶ *Women's Human Rights*
- ▶ *Human Rights NGOs*



Professor Lockwood is the Distinguished Service Professor and Director of the renowned Urban Morgan Institute for Human Rights, the first endowed institute at an American law school devoted to the study of international human rights. He has been involved in international human rights for over 40 years.

Since 1982, he has been editor-in-chief of the *Human Rights Quarterly*, a multidisciplinary academic journal published by The Johns Hopkins University Press. HRQ is widely acknowledged to be the leading journal in the field. In addition, Professor Lockwood has been Series Editor of the *Pennsylvania Studies in Human Rights*, a book series published by the University of Pennsylvania Press, since 1988. Over 140 books have been published in the Series. He has been a Visiting Professor at the University of Essex.

Among his professional activities Lockwood has served on the Board of Directors of Amnesty International USA, submitted amicus curiae briefs to a number of courts, served for 20 years as the Rapporteur of the Annual Colloquium on "The Role of Government Departments in the Formulation and Implementation of Human Rights Considerations in Foreign Policy" convened by the American Association of the International Commission of Jurists. In 1994 he was a monitor for the International Commission of Jurists for the South African Elections. He has been actively involved with the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, and provided the contents for their first exhibit on "The Struggle Continues" focusing upon current human rights issues. He serves on the Board of Overseers, Human Rights Institute of the University of Connecticut.

He has been the recipient of numerous awards, including being named Distinguished Service Professor, an appointment given only three times in the history of the University of Cincinnati.

Florence Benoit-Rohmer

- *Freedom of Religion*
- *European Human Rights Protection Mechanisms*



Prof. Benoit-Rohmer took up the function as EIUC Secretary General on 1 January 2009. Born in Strasbourg, Florence Benoit-Rohmer holds a PhD in Public Law. President of the Université Robert Schuman (URS), Strasbourg, from 2003 to 2008, Florence Benoit-Rohmer is Professor at the Law Faculty in Strasbourg.

She is the Director of the Master program in Human Rights at the University of Strasbourg and has served as Vice-President of EIUC from 2002 till 2008 and as French national director of the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratization since its inception in 1997. Prof. Benoit-Rohmer is acting as human rights expert for the Council of Europe, was member of the European Network of Independent Experts on Fundamental Rights set up by the European Commission, and is currently the President of the Scientific Committee of the Fundamental Rights Agency of the EU. She is also member of the scientific committees of several international journals specialized in human rights, and in particular minority rights.

Prof. Benoit-Rohmer's research interests range from the study of Fundamental Rights in the EU, the Council of Europe, the European Convention on Human Rights and other conventions, and Constitutional Law including national minority rights.

Christophe Peschoux



- *Introduction to UN human rights mechanisms: Special Procedures*
- *Introduction to UN human rights mechanisms: Universal Periodic Review*
- *Human Rights and Cultural Values*

Christophe Peschoux, French. He studied political and moral philosophy; history and civilizations of Southeast Asia; and rural development in the universities of Montpellier, Paris VII and Geneva (1977-1980). Christophe Peschoux has been working for the past 30 years in the fields of humanitarian, human rights and refugee protection.

Since January 2014, he is the head of the section of the office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights supporting the work of six special procedures mandate holders: torture, executions, disappearances, arbitrary detention, freedom of religion and belief and human rights protection and counter-terrorism.

From May 2011 to December 2013 he was leading and coordinating the Universal Periodic Review work of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in Geneva. From 2007 to 2011 he was the High Commissioner's Representative in Cambodia, the only country office in Asia. Prior to this, he coordinated protection/prison work with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) for 4 years (Iraq, 2003; Central Asia, 2004-2006; and Ethiopia (2006-2007). From 1993 to 2003 he served in the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in Cambodia (as head of the investigation and monitoring unit, 1993-1999) and at Headquarters (1999-2003) where he contributed to the office's work in Afghanistan, Togo, Palestinian Occupied Territories, and East Timor, and developed a methodology on witness protection. Prior to joining the OHCHR, he worked in the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC) and as a senior protection officer with UNHCR (Khmer rouge-controlled refugee camp, along the Thai-Cambodian border). From 1981 to 1991, he worked with several non-governmental organizations in the fields of humanitarian, human rights and refugee protection (Ecolessans Frontières, Médecins du Monde) and Amnesty International, and conducted independent field research.

Petter Wille

- *International Human Rights Law*
- *Human Rights in Norway*



Petter Wille took up the function as the director of Norway's national human rights institution since 1 January 2016. He got a Law degree in the University of Oslo in 1976.

He was a teacher and external examiner of human rights, administrative law and international law at the University of Oslo since 1991. He used to work in Foreign Service Training Programme (1977-1980). From 1978 to 1979, he was a deputy judge in Skien and Porsgrunn Town Court. He acted as Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Norway to the Council of Europe from 1 September 2008 to August 2013. One month later, he became the Ambassador/Special Envoy, Human Rights and Democracy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (from 1 September 2013 to 31 December 2015).

From 1990 to 1993, he was a member of the Steering Committee for Human Rights, Council of Europe. Then he held the position as Chairman of a working group established by the UN Commission on Human Rights on the establishment of a Permanent Forum for Indigenous People in 2000. In 2006, he became Chairman of a group of experts on Human Rights Defenders in the Council of Europe and it lasted one year (2006-2007). Two years later, he was appointed as Chairman of the rapporteur group for human rights in the Council of Europe (2009-2011).

Among his numerous publications and works, some may be mentioned below:

1. Co-author of teaching manual on human rights, 2000/2001. (Published by the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights).
2. Co-author of Norwegian Legal Commentary, (1999- present).
3. Co-author of a book on the Rights of the Child, 2008. (Barnerett, internasjonalt Perspektiv, fagbokforlaget).
4. Co-author of the book "Indigenous Peoples' Rights in international law" (2012).
5. Co-author of the Norwegian Law commentary, (1995-present).

Programme Description

- ▶ The 11th Human Rights Summer Academy will be organised in two parts: “International Human Rights Protection and Monitoring Mechanism” and “Legal Protection of Human rights”. The course will take place from July 1 to July 12, 2019 in Beijing.
- ▶ The Institute for Human Rights will select about 70 participants who should have a university degree, ideally in law or with some studies in law.
- ▶ Furthermore, The course is offered to participants free of charge. Transportation expenses and accommodation should be paid by participants on your own. Applications should be submitted by June 16, 2019.
- ▶ All relevant information and the application form are available on our website <http://rqyjy.cupl.edu.cn/English/Home.htm>. You are kindly requested to fill out the application form and send that to the Registration E-mail. Once your application form is submitted, you will receive a confirmation note. Please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Zihan Yan for any questions or concerns at hra_cupl@163.com.



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