



**UNIVERSITY OF ISTANBUL  
FACULTY OF LAW**



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**ISTANBUL INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL**

**“Current Trends in Human Rights Law”**

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organized by

**Istanbul University Faculty of Law**

in association with

**Leiden University, Leiden Law School**

and

**The Raoul Wallenberg Institute**

**OBJECTIVE:**

In a globalizing legal order, Human Rights Law has secured a strong foothold as a common binding framework. As the increasing complexities of Law and Society place greater qualitative and quantitative demands on the functioning of legal orders, common ground in such a framework is not only welcome but also necessary. Indeed, with its broad interface with other fields of law and aspects of society, Human Rights Law is structurally deployed not only autonomously but also as an ordering system in many other fields of law. This occurs on many levels: nationally, internationally, supranationally and transnationally. Essential as it has become however, at the same time, as it rapidly evolves, Human Rights Law itself becomes all the more complex. On the one hand, ‘Human Rights Law’ does not exist as one coherent closed system. Rather, various national and non-national variants operate at the same time, without an institutional hierarchical structure. Both substantively and from an organic and procedural perspective, Human Rights Law is this decidedly pluralistic. On the other hand, as it develops, Human Rights Law is continually expanding, often in the hands of authoritative supranational Courts such as the European Court of Human Rights, who choose an extensive approach to not only Human Rights Law ‘content’ but also its ‘relationship’ with other types and levels of law. Keeping a grip on contemporary Human Rights Law is thus not an easy task. The objective of the ‘Current Trends in Human Rights Law’ Summer School is to bring participants ‘on-trend’ with regards to state-of-the-art developments in Human Rights Law. Featuring experts from distinct parts of Europe and the world, the Summer School will be oriented on the most important current distinguishing features and terrains of Human Rights Law.



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Themes addressed will include:

- The operation of national versus regional Human Rights Mechanisms and their mutual relationship
- Human Rights and Diversity
- Special Vulnerable bearers of Human Rights
- Discrimination
- Normative Procedural Frameworks for the operation of Human Rights supervisory systems (such as the European Supranational Courts) and
- Human Rights Obligations of International Organizations.

The Summer School will be introduced by internationally renowned Human Rights experts, who will be invited to open the programme with a conference.

#### VENUE:

The program will be held in Istanbul University Faculty of Law's historic premises at the heart of Istanbul-Turkey. The Summer School will take full advantage of the unique opportunities offered by this unique venue, embedding the academic programme with the excitement and beauty of Istanbul. Lectures and working sessions will take place not only at the Faculty, but also on boat trips on the Bosphorus. The social program will include visits to historical sites such as Topkapı– Dolmabahçe Palaces, Hagia Sophia, Blue Mosque and Maiden Tower and to Çağlayan Justice Palace, the largest Court in Europe.

#### TUTORS:

The speakers will include:

Adem Sözüer (Istanbul University)

Ibrahim Kaya (Istanbul University)

Saadet Yüksel (Istanbul University)

Gülay Arslan Öncü (Istanbul University)

Titia Loenen (Leiden University)

Jasmina Mačkić (Leiden University)

Pınar Ölçer (Leiden University)

Ville Forsman (Raoul Wallenberg Institute)

Philip Kunig (Free University of Berlin)

Liane Worner (University of Giessen)

#### PARTICIPANTS:

Senior Level Students, Graduate Students, Young Researchers, Professionals, Lawyers and NGO members with an interest in Human Rights from any part of the world

#### ACCOMMODATION

Participants are responsible for their own accommodation arrangements. If needed, the program organizer will help find a suitable accommodation in a reduced rate within the vicinity of the venue.

#### TRAVEL, VISA & INSURANCE:

Most of the airways, including Turkish Airlines, have direct flights to Istanbul and most of the nationalities either do not need visa to enter and attend the program, or need only e-visas/sticker visas. Please consult the Turkish Consulate near you or Ministry of Foreign Affairs ([www.mfa.gov.tr](http://www.mfa.gov.tr)). Participants are recommended to have an adequate travel and health insurance

#### REGISTRATION:

The program is free of charge including all receptions, lunches and social events. However, a small registration fee (100 Euros for students and 200 euros for non-students) will apply after a place is offered. The fee may be waived upon completion of the programme. As the organizer is a public institution and the program is mostly supported by voluntary contributions, no financial assistance is available for participants. If needed, participants are recommended to seek financial support from external sources.

#### DEADLINE:

The deadline for application is the **10th of July 2013**.

For enquires and application: Miss. Burcu Dursun at [burcu@dursun.co.uk](mailto:burcu@dursun.co.uk) or [insanhaklari@istanbul.edu.tr](mailto:insanhaklari@istanbul.edu.tr). <http://insanhaklari.istanbul.edu.tr>

## APPLICATION FORM

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### REFERENCES

Please List Two References (At least one has to be a university professor)	University/Organization	Contact Details (E-mail-telephone-fax)

This form is to be filled and e-mailed to [burcu@dursun.co.uk](mailto:burcu@dursun.co.uk) with a copy of the applicant's passport (the page with the photo only) and a copy of the degree/certificate of the most recent university attended. (If the applicant is still an undergraduate student, proof of studentship is needed). The applicant also needs to send a 250-300 word statement of purpose addressed to the selection committee.