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Oral Debate Topics

Date and time: 2 and 3 December

Location: Seminar room 6113, 6th floor Domus Juridica. In person or over Zoom – accessible via Canvas. Note that you will be placed in a waiting room, until it is your turn to present (be there 10 minutes before and test your equipment). Please let us know how you wish to attend by filling in the following form:
https://nettskjema.no/a/233290

2 December

Number and time	For	Against	Topic
1. 9.00-9.30	Abdulrahman Adel N. Mohammed	Anusika Vinasithamby	Prisoners, especially those convicted of serious crimes, should not enjoy the right to vote.
2. 9.30-10.00	Devika Santhos Nair	Din Muhammad Mustakim	Transnational corporations (TNCs) are bound by human rights obligations and should be held accountable for serious human rights violations.
3. 10.00-10.30	Fanuel Kaseke	Francesca Faggiano	Economic, social and cultural rights are justiciable and not simply standards of achievement.
4. 10.30-11.00	Helene Marie Holm-Glad	Henrik Dypvik Myklebust	Criminal punishment is preferable to rehabilitation approaches when it comes to holding foreign fighters responsible for violations of international human rights and humanitarian law.
5. 11.00-11.30	Ingrid Marie Moshuus	Jessica Joy Peters	Amnesty laws adopted in many Latin American countries comply with international human rights standards and should not be revoked.

6. 11.30-12.00	Katarina Lavrinenko Friis-Olsen	Lénita Kunz	Discriminatory practices which exist within a religious community should be tolerated, at least to some extent, in the name of religious freedom.
Break 30 minutes			
7. 12.30-13.00	Leticia Afua Aduitwumwaah Kyere-Yeboah	Lorenzo Bossi	Non-State actors are bound by human rights obligations and can be held accountable for serious human rights violations (*try to choose a specific non-State actor, in consultation with your colleague*).
8. 13.00-13.30	Maria Leal Lillo	Martin Reksten	No State reservations whatsoever should be allowed for international human rights treaties.
9. 13.30-14.00	Mathilde Nilsson Pilemand	Matilde Vargas Prazeres	In order to provide the greatest amount of human rights protection for sex workers, prostitution should be fully decriminalized.

3 December

Number and time	For	Against	Topic
1. 9.00-9.30	May Emilie Solberg Harloff	Mina Nornes Westli	The death penalty should be abolished.
2. 9.30-10.00	Naiara Araiz de Tellitu Rodríguez	Nika Arevadze	The right of a person to the highest attainable standard of health means that a State can produce itself specific medicines, even if it does not have the necessary intellectual property rights (use the Covid-19 pandemic as a potential example).
3. 10.00-10.30	Nils Alexander Alwon	Rasmus Edvard Baraas Skjelby	The determination of whether an ethnic minority should possess some degree of autonomy or self-rule should be made not only by members of the minority but also by members of the majority.

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4.	10.30-11.00	Samantha Nolle	Sara Evelyn de Oliveira Faria Machado	Colonial powers should provide collective reparations for the international crimes and injustices committed by them against the colonized peoples.
5.	11.00-11.30	Simon Gaarde Hansen	Taylor William Andrew Clark	In order to save thousands of lives from a terrorist attack, a State is allowed to use whatever means necessary to stop the terrorists, including forceful interrogation techniques, arbitrary detention, and extraordinary renditions.
6.	11.30-12.00	Vetle Måsvær Halle	Viola Verena Eberle	In the interest of achieving peace, it might be necessary to allow for broad amnesties, including for serious violations of human rights.
7.	12.00-12.15	Yi-Min Huang		Whistle-blowers should be immune from government prosecution when revealing State surveillance practices that violate the individual right to privacy.