

UNIVERSITY OF OSLO, FACULTY OF LAW NORWEGIAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

COURSE OUTLINE Autumn 2013

Course Name: Business and Human Rights

Course Code: HUMR 5133

Course Website: http://www.uio.no/studier/emner/jus/humanrights/HUMR5133/index.xml

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Seminar leader: Abraham T. Afrim-Narh, Research Assistant, NCHR, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo Place Seminar room (2th floor), CA 251, Norwegian Center for Human Rights (NCHR), Cort Adelers

Notice: Any page references provided in this Course Outline are to facilitate student preparation for each lecture.

They are not a substitute for the official reading list for which students are responsible on the final examination.

* = Seminar follows the lecture: see page 3 of this course outline.

<u>LECTURE 1</u> Globalization, Business and Human Rights: Context & Debate

Date/Time: 28 August, 14:15-16:00 Literature: Deva, 2012, chs. 1,2,5

Place: CA 251, NCHR Kinley, ch 4

Instructor: Malcolm Langford

LECTURE 2* Legal Framework

Date/Time: 4 September, 14:15-16 Literature: Deva, 2012: Ch. 3,4

Place: CA 251, NCHR Ruggie 2009, 2011

OECD Guidelines (2011 Revision)

Instructor: Malcolm Langford

Shakti v. Posco and SERAC v. Nigeria

Kiobel v. Royal Dutch Petroleum Akpan v. Royal Dutch Petroleum Bautista de Arellana v. Colombia

LECTURE 3 Legal Strategies/Remedies (Afternoon Session of Conference on

Corporations and the Global Food System & Human Rights)

Date/Time: 11 September, 14:15-15:45 Literature: Ruggie framework par. 86-114 OECD Guidelines Ch. 4, Deva, ch 3

Place: NCHR HRC UN doc. A/HRC/26/L.22 and UN doc. A/HRC/26/L.1

See conference website for updated programme.

*Instructor: Taylor, Eide and Panel**

Full Conference (Voluntary)

Corporations and the Global Food System & Human Rights

Date: 11-12 September See conference website for registration and programme

Place: NCHR, Organisers: Asbjørn and Wenche Eide

LECTURE 4* International Financial Institutions

Date/Time: 25 September, 14:15-16 Literature: Smita, 2012

Place: NCHR Darrow, 2009

Instructor: Malcolm Langford

LECTURE 5* International Economic Law and Regimes

Date/Time: 9 October, 14:15-16 Literature: Joseph, 2011

Place: NCHR Langford, 2011

Instructors: Malcolm Langford



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LECTURE 6* Corporate Behaviour and Theories of Change

Date/Time: 16 October, 14:15-16 Gillies (2012) Literature: Campbell (2007) Place: **NCHR**

Instructor: Malcolm Langford

Operationalising Due Diligence/Criminal Responsibility **LECTURE 7***

Date/Time: 23 October, 14:15-15:00 Literature: Taylor (2013)

Place: **NCHR**

Instructor: Mark Taylor, FAFO

LECTURE 8 Working with Corporations on Human Rights-Based

Assessments

Ruggie (2007) Date/Time: 30 October, 14:15-16:00 Literature:

Kemp and Vanclay (2013)

Claire Methven O'Brien Instructor:

NCHR

Workshop on Empirical Approaches (Voluntary)

29 October, 12:00-15:00 Date/Time:

Place: **NCHR**

Place:

LECTURE 9* The Norwegian Pension Fund – Fostering Change?

Mestad, 2011, pp. 79-106 Date/Time: 6 November, 14:15-16 Literature:

Place: **NCHR**

Cases: Shakti v. Posco

Prof. Ola Mestad Instructor: Walmart Recommendation

LECTURE 10* The Environment, Rights and Business: Sustainable Companies

Sullivan (2012)

Date/Time: 13 November, 14:15-16 Sjåfjell (2012) Literature:

Place: **NCHR**

Instructor: Prof. Beate Sjåfjell

LECTURE 11 Political Campaigning (Hermstad)

Palm Oil Sector Case Study (Tømte)

Date/Time: 20 November 14:15-16:00 Pye and Bhattacharya (2013) Literature:

Place: **NCHR**

Arild Hermstad, FIVH & Instructor:

> Aksel Tømte, NCHR Indonesia Programm



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Seminar Schedules

Seminar leader: Research Assistant Abraham T. Afrim-Narh. All seminars take place in the seminar room (2th floor), NCHR

- Seminar 1: Thursday 4 September, 16:30-18:00
- Seminar 2: Thursday2 5 September, 16:30-18:00.
- Seminar 3: Thursday 9 October, 16:30-18:00.
- Seminar 4: Thursday 16 October, 16:30-18:00.
- Seminar 5: Thursday 23 October, 16:30-18:00.
- Seminar 6: Thursday 6 November, 16:30-18:00.
- Seminar 7: Thursday 13 November, 16:30-18:00.