



Course Name: Business and Human Rights
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Seminar leader: Ludovica Chiussi, PhD Research Fellow, NCHR
Place: Domus Media, Aud 13 (5th and 7th September)
CA 251, Seminar room (2th floor), NCHR, all other lectures

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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.

LECTURE 1

Business and Human Rights: Economic and Institutional Contexts

Date/Time: 5 September, 14:15-16:00
Place: DM Aud 13
Instructor: Andreassen

Literature: Deva, 2012, chs. 1,2, 5
Ruggie, 2013 (Introduction)
Andreassen and Vinh, 2016
Recommended: Kinley, ch 4

LECTURE 2

Business and Human Rights: Normative Challenges and Regulatory Developments

Date/Time: 7 September, 14:15-16:00
Place: DM Aud 13
Instructor: Bård A. Andreassen

Literature: Deva, 2012: Ch. 3,4
Ruggie 2008, 2011
OECD Guidelines (2011 Revision)

LECTURE 3*

Legal Strategies: Operationalizing Due Diligence, criminal responsibility

Date/Time: 12 September, 14:15-16:00
Place: CA Seminar Room 251
Instructor: Ludovica Chiussi

Literature: Ruggie framework par. 86-114 OECD Guidelines Ch. 4,
Deva, ch 3
HRC UN doc. A/HRC/26/L.22 and UN doc. A/HRC/26/L.1
Humberto-Cantu Rivera, 2016

Cases:
Shakti v. Posco and *SERAC v. Nigeria*
Kiobel v. Royal Dutch Petroleum
Akpan v. Royal Dutch Petroleum
Bautista de Arellana v. Colombia

LECTURE 4*

Corporate accountability for breaches of international human rights standards and environmental law

Date/Time: 14 September, 14:15-16:00
Place: CA Seminar Room 251
Instructor: Ludovica Chiussi

Literature: Zyberi, 2016
Deva ch. 5
De Schutter
A/HRC/17/31 (27 pp)
A/HRC/ 11/ 13/Add.1 (37 pp)

LECTURE 5

International Financial Institutions and Human Rights Obligations

Date/Time: 19 September, 14:15-16:00
Literature: Joseph, 2011



Place: CA Seminar Room 251
Instructors: Bård A. Andreassen

Darrow, 2009
Recommended: Smita 2012

LECTURE 6* Corporate Behavior and Theories of Human Rights Change

Date/Time: 21 September, 14:15-16:00
Place: CA 251, NCHR
Instructor: Bård A. Andreassen

Literature: Gillies (2012)
Campbell (2007)

LECTURE 7* Current issues: Taxation, Corruption, Inclusion of Persons living with Disabilities and Others?

Date/Time: 26 September, 14:15-16:00
Place: CA 251, NCHR
Instructor: Bård A. Andreassen

Literature: To be announced

LECTURE 8 Human Rights Practices: The Working of Corporations on Human Rights Assessments and Due Diligence

Date/Time: 28 September, 14:15-16:00
Place: CA 251, NCHR
Instructor: Bård A. Andreassen/representative(s) from companies and civil society (tbc)

Literature: McCorguodale, Smit, Neely and Brook, 2017

LECTURE 9* The Norwegian Pension Fund – Fostering Change?

Date/Time: 10 October, 14:15-16:00
Place: CA 251, NCHR
Instructor: Prof. Ola Mæstad (tbc)

Literature: Mestad, 2011, pp. 79-106
Sullivan (2012)

Cases: Shakti v. Posco
Walmart Recommendation

LECTURE 10* Sustainable Companies – Human Rights Angles

Date/Time: 12 October, 14:15-16:00
Place: CA 251, NCHR
Instructor: Tbc

Literature: To be announced



LECTURE 11

**Methodological Challenges in Studying Businesses' Respect
for Human Rights; Summing up; Exam preparations**

Date/Time: 17 October, 14:15-16:00

Literature: Deva, 2012

Place: CA 251, NCHR

Ruggie, 2013,
Andreassen and Vinh, 2016

Instructor: Bård A. Andreassen

Seminar Schedules

Seminar leader: PhD scholar Ludovica Chiussi

Venue will be announced.

- Seminar 1: Tuesday 13 September, 16:30-18:00 (tentative)
- Seminar 2: Friday 15 September, 16:30-18:00 (tentative)
- Seminar 3: To be announced
- Seminar 4: To be announced