



ACCESS TO REMEDIES IN THE EU FOR VICTIMS OF CORPORATE RELATED HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSE

TRAINING SESSION

Vienna, 16 December 2015

Haus der Europäischen Union

Wipplingerstraße 35, 1010 Vienna

Agenda

09:00 – 09:30 Registration

09:30 – 09:45 Welcome

Brigitte Luggin Head of Public Relations, European Commission, Representation in Austria

Marc Pointecker Director, Division Social Policy Issues, Austrian Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection

Alice Wagner Legal Researcher, Department for EU and International Affairs, Austrian Chamber of Labour

09:45 – 10:15 Introduction to the topic and the project

The right to remedy: key challenges for its implementation in Europe

Karin Lukas Senior Researcher and Team Leader, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights

Katerina Yiannibas Project Manager, Globernance Institute for Democratic Governance; Professor of Public and Private International Law, Deusto University

10:15 – 10:30 Coffee break



Europäisches Parlament



Europäische
Kommission

10:30 – 12:15 Session I

Bringing cases before European courts: challenges for victims' representatives and national jurisdictions (and how to overcome these challenges)

- Albin Dearing* Programme Manager Research - Criminal Law and Criminal Justice, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights
- Ingrid Gubbay* Head of Human Rights and Environmental Law Practice, Hausfeld & Co. LLP, London Office
- Georg Kodek* Judge, Austrian Supreme Court; Professor for Civil and Commercial Law, Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration
- Yvonne Veith* Lawyer, European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights, Berlin
- Chair: *Julia Mair* Head of White Collar Crime, Dorda, Brugger, Jordis Rechtsanwälte, Vienna

Plenary discussion

12:15 – 13:15 Lunch break

13:15 – 15:00 Session II

Company-based grievance mechanisms – a promising non-judicial remedy? Advantages and disadvantages and their relation to other judicial and non-judicial remedies

- Jonathan Kaufman* Legal Advocacy Coordinator, EarthRights International
- Wolfgang Kraus* Senior Associate, IPIECA - The global oil and gas industry association for environmental and social issues
- Karin Lukas* Senior Researcher and Team Leader, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights
- Zuzanna Muskat-Gorska* Policy Advisor, International Trade Union Confederation, Brussels
- Chair: *Katharina Häusler* Researcher, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights

Plenary discussion



Europäisches Parlament



Europäische
Kommission

15:00 – 15:20 Concluding note and outlook

Commented summary of today's discussions, open questions

Nicola Jägers

Chair International Human Rights Law, Tilburg Law School;
Commissioner at the Netherlands Human Rights Institute

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee and networking

16:00 – 17:30 “Non-judicial Complaints: A Balance between Business and Human Rights Interests?” Presentation of findings

Barbara Linder

Researcher, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights

Karin Lukas

Senior Researcher and Team Leader, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute
of Human Rights

Registration:

Please register until 8 December 2015 on: <http://humanrightsinbusiness.eu/project/training-sessions-registration/>

If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us:

Ms. Niki Koumadoraki, niki.koumadoraki@humanrights.at