



THE AGE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS OVER

Can we still validate the notion from Kofi Annan in 2000, that this is the Age of Human Rights? Or do the global atrocities committed since 2000 speak otherwise?

Some Scholars argue that Human Rights are simply a locomotive for the White Saviour Complex. Others, that the highpoint of Human Rights occurred in the end of the Cold War and opened up a window of opportunity for Human Rights advocates to push for the implementation of International Law and the creation of global courts. But was this just a brief hiatus? Why has ISIL not been held accountable for Human Rights Abuses? Why has Bashar-Al-Assad not been tried in a court of law?

Is it then safe to say that States use the term Human Rights as a way to manipulate foreign policy however they seem fit? Has the UN failed to fulfil its promise? With the scandalous US President what will happen to the Age of Human Rights?

It is with great pleasure that the SOAS Law Society invites you to a Debate Panel Discussion upon the notion 'The Age of Human Rights is Over.' on Friday 9th March 2018 in the BGLT from 7pm-8:30pm. The event will be followed by a Drinks Reception in the Brunei Suite.

FRIDAY, 9 MARCH 2018

19:00 – 20:30 GMT • BRUNEI GALLERY

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PANELLISTS:

KEINA YOSHIDA, DOUGHTY STREET CHAMBERS



Keina practices in the areas of Media Law, Inquests and Public Inquiries, Actions against the Police and Court of Protection. She also specialises in international human rights law. She is currently junior counsel acting on behalf of a core participant in the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse. During the summer she was junior counsel in the Foster v McNicol case representing the Labour Party.

Keina has particular expertise in women's human rights, including VAWG, CEDAW, sexual and reproductive rights and LGBT rights. She is part of the Doughty Street International team and sits as an Advisory Board Member of the Centre for Women, Peace and Security at the London School of Economics.

MOATAZ EL FEGIERY, FRONT LINE DEFENDERS



Moataz El Fegier is the protection coordinator for the Middle East and North Africa. Before joining Front Line Defenders, El Fegier was the executive director of the Cairo Institute for Human Rights Studies (CIHRS), MENA deputy director of the International Centre for Transitional Justice and senior teaching fellow in law at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London. He was also a research fellow at the Foundation of International Relations and Dialogue (FRIDE). El Fegier is the treasurer and member at the executive committee of the Euro Mediterranean Human Rights Network since 2006 and board member of CIHRS. He is the author of Islamic Law, Human Rights: The Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2016).

JURATE GUZEVICIUTE, INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION'S HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTE



Jurate is a lawyer with nine years of experience in national and international human rights, humanitarian and criminal law work. Currently Jurate works for the International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute, where she covers the Eastern Europe and Central Asia region. Before joining IBAHRI Jurate worked as a Legal Director at the human rights NGO in Lithuania, where she managed legal programmes and supervised litigation work. Jurate has lead strategic litigation on domestic violence, discrimination, disability rights, inclusive education, rights of unaccompanied minors (illegal detention), hate speech, etc. Jurate has also worked with a defence team at the UN International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia in the Hague, and interned at the DG Humanitarian Aid at the European Commission in Brussels.

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