

## CALESA Conference on Emerging Human Rights Issues and Vulnerabilities Manila sessions: 19-22 April 2023

Justitia Hall, 4/F, Ateneo Law School, 20 Rockwell Drive, Rockwell Center, Makati City

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### Programme of Sessions

#### **April 19, Wednesday: Focus on human rights defenders and media practitioners**

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| 08:30 to 09:00 | Opening Session and Welcome Remarks<br><i>Jose Maria Hofleña (Dean, Ateneo de Manila University)</i>   |
| 09:00 to 09:25 | Human Rights Issues and Challenges in the Philippines from the UN perspective<br><i>Signe Poulsen (Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)</i> |
| 09:25 to 09:50 | Human Rights Defenders Under Risk: A European Approach<br><i>Felipe Gomez Isa (Deusto University)</i>  |
| 09:50 to 10:15 | Media and Government Institutions<br><i>Melencio Sta. Maria (Ateneo de Manila University)</i>  |
| 10:15 to 10:30 | Coffee break   |
| 10:30 to 10:55 | Issues and Challenges Confronted by Human Rights Defenders on the Ground<br><i>Arlene Bag-ao (former Governor of Dinagat Islands)</i>                    |
| 10:55 to 11:20 | Freedom of Speech from a European Perspective<br><i>Mari-Luce Paris (University College Dublin)</i>  |
| 11:20 to 11:45 | Challenges to Human Rights in the Face of Artificial Intelligence<br><i>Pablo Sánchez Molina (University of Malaga)</i>                                  |
| 11:45 to 13:00 | Open Forum   |
| 13:00 to 14:00 | End of morning sessions and lunch  |
| 14:30 to 18:00 | Visit to Rappler   |
| 18:00 to 20:00 | Dinner (Sentro 1771 at Capitol Commons)  |

**April 20, Thursday:      Focus on vulnerabilities in movements and displacements**

- 09:00 to 09:30      Impact of Environmental Shifts on Vulnerable Sectors  
*Ronaldo Gutierrez (Ateneo de Manila University)*
- 09:30 to 10:00      Situation of Travellers in Ireland  
*Mari-Luce Paris (University College Dublin)*
- 10:00 to 10:15      Coffee break
- 10:15 to 10:45      Issues and Challenges Faced by IDPs in the Philippines  
*Cecilia Jimenez-Damary (former UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons)*
- 10:45 to 11:15      Issues and Challenges Affecting In-Country Workers  
*Marlon Manuel (Ateneo de Manila University)*
- 11:15 to 11:45      Issues and Challenges Affecting Migrant Workers  
*Hans Cacdac (Undersecretary, Department of Migrant Workers)*
- 11:45 to 13:00      Open Forum
- 13:00 to 14:00      End of morning sessions and lunch
- 14:30 to 17:00      Research Work Presentations: Emerging Human Rights Issues in the Asia Pacific (presentations by APMA students)
- Right to education of Rohingya refugees in Indonesia  
*Adli Hazmi (Mahidol University/Ateneo de Manila University)*
  - Women's issues in the jade mining industry in Myanmar  
*Kai Lawt (Mahidol University/Ateneo de Manila University)*
  - Right to information of Vietnamese migrant workers  
*Tinh Le (Mahidol University/Ateneo de Manila University)*
  - Right to suffrage of Sri Lankan migrant workers  
*Tharindu Abeyrathna (Mahidol University/Ateneo de Manila University)*
- 18:00 to 20:00      Dinner (Via Mare at the Power Plant)

**April 21, Friday:      Focus on women and gender issues**

- 09:00 to 09:30      Reproductive Health and Gender Justice  
*Amparita Sta. Maria (Ateneo de Manila University)*
- 09:30 to 10:00      State of Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights: 10 years after the RH Law  
*Junice Melgar (LIKHAAN Center)*
- 10:00 to 10:15      Coffee break
- 10:15 to 10:45      Women and the Environment  
*Grizelda Mayo-Anda (Environmental Legal Assistance Center)*

10:45 to 11:15	On Transsexualism <i>Emilio José Armaza (Deusto University)</i>
11:15 to 11:45	Sexual and Gender-Based Violence and Discrimination against LGBTQIA+ <i>Mira Alexis Ofreño (Ateneo de Manila University)</i>
11:45 to 13:00	Open Forum
13:00 to 14:00	End of morning sessions and lunch
14:30 to 18:00	Visit to Intramuros
18:00 to 20:00	Dinner (Skydeck at Bayleaf Intramuros)

**April 22, Saturday: Focus on issues affecting indigenous peoples and indigenous cultural communities**

09:00 to 09:30	Challenges Faced by Indigenous Peoples, Globally and in the Philippines <i>Vicky Tauli-Corpuz (former UN Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples)</i>
09:30 to 10:00	International Legal Framework on IP Rights (+ Mechanisms for Protection) <i>Felipe Gomez Isa (Deusto University)</i>
10:00 to 10:15	Coffee break
10:15 to 10:45	Self-Determination and Indigenous Peoples <i>Gaspar González (University of Malaga)</i>
10:45 to 11:15	Autonomy and the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao <i>Laisa Masuhud Alamia (Deputy Speaker and Member of Parliament, BARMM)</i>
11:15 to 11:45	The Role of Legal Education in Protecting IP Rights <i>Sedfrey Candelaria (Ateneo de Manila University; Philippine Judicial Academy)</i>
11:45 to 13:00	Open Forum
13:00 to 14:00	End of morning sessions and lunch
14:30 to 19:00	Travel to Baguio City

**April 24, Monday:**      **Baguio Symposium on Emerging Human Rights Issues and Challenges affecting IPs and ICCs (in cooperation with the Saint Louis University School of Law)**

09:00 to 09:30      International Legal Framework on IP Rights (+ Mechanisms for Protection)  
*Felipe Gomez Isa (Deusto University)*

09:30 to 10:00      *Self-Determination and Indigenous Peoples*  
*Gaspar González (University of Malaga)*

10:30 to 11:30      Reactions and Comments from Philippine Legal Scholars:  
• *Lulu Reyes (Saint Louis University)*  
• *Yasmine Lee Tadeo (Saint Louis University)*

11:30 to 12:30      Open Forum

12:30 to 14:00      End of morning sessions and lunch

14:00 to 18:00      Visit to SLU Museum of Igorot Culture and Arts – Center for Indigenous Studies and/or Tam-awan Village

18:00 to 20:00      Dinner hosted by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (Gypsy Baguio by Chef Waya)

**April 25, Tuesday:**      *Travel back to Manila*