

# HRBAD round table

**HRBAD round table – 20 April 2022, 9.30 am – 4 pm (CEST) – Antwerp – [Register now!](#)**

*A joint initiative of the Law and Development Research Group, University of Antwerp and the Flemish Interuniversity Research Network on Law and Development (law&dev)*

This HRBAD Roundtable continues a very young tradition of holding an annual research day with the Flemish Interuniversity Research Network on Law and Development (law&dev) on the dedicated topic of **human rights-based approaches to development (HRBAD)**. Leading experts will share their HRBAD experiences, and comment on student presentations. Students taking the *Human Rights and Global Justice* class in the University of Antwerp LLM Sustainable Development and Global Justice module will present their arguments pro and con a HRBAD on topics such as: balancing rights; balancing social and environmental concerns; deep inequality; and companies as duty-bearers. The roundtable is a great opportunity to learn more about HRBADs, to meet fellow researchers, and to engage with the students.

## **Programme**

*9.30: welcome and introduction – Wouter Vandenhole (University of Antwerp)*

### **1. Expert Panel on Conflicts in HRBADs / HRBADs and Conflict – R.219**

9.45-10.45: presentations

- Gustavo Arosemena (Maastricht University): *Conflicts in human rights-based development*
- Koen De Feyter (University of Antwerp): *A human rights-based approach to development programming in the Occupied Palestinian Territories*
- Tine Destrooper (Ghent University): *Communicating vessels? Examining the (ideal) relation between HRBAD and collective reparations in post-conflict societies*

*Health break*

11.00-12.00: short responses and plenary discussion

- Gustavo Prieto Munoz (Ghent University): *Reflections on conflicts in human rights-based development*
- Brigitte Herremans (Ghent University): *The EU's Self-Defeating Aid Policy towards Palestine*
- Deborah Casalin (University of Antwerp): *HRBAD and conflict displacement*
- Cito Cirhigiri (Ghent University) *Humanizing collective reparations for social healing*
- Kata Dozsa (University of Antwerp): *HRBAD to climate justice*

*Lunch break*

## 2. Student presentations - R.219 & R.213

Students will present their arguments in a role play to two policy makers or practitioners who are to be convinced of the adoption of a HRBAD/the integration of a particular theme in a HRHAD.

### Parallel sessions 1

13.30-14.30: G1+ G2: Balancing environmental and social concerns in a HRBAD (Kata Dozsa; Anne Oloo)

13.30-14.30: G3+G4: Addressing the human rights obligations of companies in a HRBAD: (Sarah Kerremans; Brigitte Hermans)

### Parallel sessions 2

14.45-15.45: G5+G6: Addressing deep socio-economic inequality in a HRBAD (Michael Smith; Gustavo Munoz)

14.45-15.45: G7+G8: Decolonisation of HRBAD (with a focus on early marriage) (Deborah Casalin; Elif Durmuş)

16.00: end

*Drinks*

### Registration

Participation is free, but registration is mandatory. Please register by **14 April 2022** latest. To register, click [here](#).

**Venue:** University of Antwerp, Rodestraat 14, 2000 Antwerp ([city campus map](#))

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### About the organizers

The Law and Development Research Group is one of the research groups at the faculty of law at the University of Antwerp. It unites researchers who study the role of law in enhancing human dignity and global justice, between and within States in North and South.

*The Flemish Interuniversity Research Network on Law and Development (law&dev)* unites researchers at the law faculties of the Flemish universities engaged in research and education on the interaction between law and development, both within domestic societies and within the international community.

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