DG EXPO, Human Rights Action Unit - Draft Sakharov Fellowship Programme, Brussels 1-5 April 2019



Sunday, 31 March: Individual arrivals of the Fellows

	Monday, 1 April	Tuesday, 2 April	Wednesday, 3 April	Thursday, 4 April	Friday, 5 April
		Wrap-up day 1	Wrap-up day 2	Wrap-up day 3	Wrap-up day 4
a.m	Welcome, introduction and presentations EU human rights policies and instruments Support programmes for human rights defenders	EP human rights communication on social media The EP human rights urgency resolutions in practice	Individual meetings with MEPs or EU staff or visit of the Parlamentarium	Individual meetings with MEPs or EU staff or visit of the House of European History	Workshop: Security for Human Rights Defenders - digital security, physical safety and psychosocial well-being
	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break
p.m	The role of the European Parliament in Human Rights The EU Special Representative for Human Rights: role and priorities How EU Delegations engage with Human Rights Defenders	Insights into the work of the Sub-Committee on Human Rights Attendance of the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Human Rights (DROI)	Lobbying EU institutions on Human Rights: an NGO perspective Practical aspects of human rights documentation	Workshop: Communication for Human Rights Defenders including social media - How to frame messages for different audiences? How to build coalitions and work effectively with the media?	Local human rights activities, Brussels Debriefing and perspectives for follow-up action Transfer to the airport Flight to Venice





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Opening lectures

SATURDAY, 6 APRIL - Aula Magna

10.00 - 11.00	REGISTRATION
11.00 - 11.30	Welcoming by Manfred NOWAK, EIUC Secretary-General
11.30 - 13.00	Key note speech by a Sakharov Prize Laureate (tbd)
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch
14.00 - 16.00	Javier ROURA, Protect Defenders (tbc)
	Protecting those who protect human rights
16.00 - 16.30	Break
16.30 – 17.00	Presentation by Stefan KRAUSS , Directorate-General for External Policies of the Union, Directorate for Democracy Support, Human Rights Action Unit
17.00 - 17.30	Presentations by Sakharov Fellows
17.30	Welcome Aperitif





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George ULRICH and Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHIDES

	Monday, 8 April	Tuesday, 9 April	Wednesday, 10 April	Thursday, 11 April	Friday, 12 April
9.30 11.00	Manfred NOWAK Engaging with UN mechanisms Part 1	Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHDES Teresa PIZARRO BELEZA Gender specific challenges for human rights defenders: understanding masculinities and femininities	(WITNESS) Documenting and raising awareness of human rights abuses Part 1	Koen DE FEYTER (tbc) Localising human rights strategies / local relevance of human rights Part 1	(DIGNITY) Combatting torture and ill treatment
11.00 11.30	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11.30 13.00	Manfred NOWAK Engaging with UN mechanisms Part 2	Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHDES Teresa PIZARRO BELEZA Human rights defenders: sexual and gender based violence and ways to combating it	Documenting and raising awareness of human rights abuses Part 2	Localising human rights strategies / local relevance of human rights Part 2	Protecting those who work with traumatized and endangered people from psychological stress and overwhelming experiences
13.00 14.00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
14.00 17:00	Interactive session Review of cases based on participant experience Identifying Root Causes. Discussing Strategies	Parallel sessions (elective): Working with business and human rights (Giulia Di Tommaso, tbc) Working with economic, social and cultural rights: the right to health (George Ulrich)	Parallel sessions (elective): J Guiding principles and ethics for human rights professionals (George Ulrich) J Media literacy for human rights defenders (Wiebke Lamer)	Parallel sessions (elective): Gender related workshops: J Gender-Based Violence (Teresa Beleza Pizarro) Conflict-Related Sexual Violence (Kalliope Agapiou Josephides)	Closing session: J Emerging challenges: new trends in the field Participant led projects on emerging challenges (joint session for participants and facilitators)





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Closing lectures

SATURDAY, 13 APRIL – Aula Magna

9.30 - 11.00	Emerging challenges in protecting Human Rights Defenders
11:00 – 11:30	Break
11.30 - 12.30	Key note speech by a UN Representative (tbc)
12.30 - 13.00	Closing considerations by Academic Responsibles and distribution of certificates
13.00	Lunch

Departure