

## COURSE I: FOUNDATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY

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### Lecture: PHILOSOPHY OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY

**Short biography:** Asim Mujkic is the professor of a philosophical group of lectures at the Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Sarajevo. He teaches: Introduction to Philosophy, Contemporary Philosophy, Ethics and Political Ethics, and Foundations of Human Rights and Democracy at the European Master Program of the University of Sarajevo and Bologna, where he is also a co-director of the programme. Among his published books are: A Brief History of Pragmatism (2005), We, the Citizens of Ethnopolis (2007), Justice and Ethnonationalism (2010), Ethics (2019) in co-authorship.

### Lecture: INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

**Lecturer:** Prof. Gerd Oberleitner, University of Graz, [gerd.oberleitner@uni-graz.at](mailto:gerd.oberleitner@uni-graz.at)

**Short biography:** Gerd Oberleitner is UNESCO Chair in Human Rights and Human Security, Professor of International Law, and Director of the European Training and Research Centre for Human Rights and Democracy at the University of Graz. He worked in the Office of the Legal Advisor of the Austrian Foreign Ministry and in Austrian development co-operation and was Lecturer at LSE's Centre for the Study of Human Rights. He is co-editor of the European Yearbook of Human Rights and the publication series Human Rights Go Local. Publications include Global Human Rights Institutions: Between Remedy and Ritual (Polity 2007), Human Rights in Armed Conflict: Law, Practice, Policy (CUP 2015) and (as editor) Blurring Boundaries - Human Security and Migration (Brill 2017) and International Human Rights Institutions, Tribunals and Courts (Springer 2018).

**Lecturer:** Prof. Zdenek Kavan, University of Sussex, [z.kavan@sussex.ac.uk](mailto:z.kavan@sussex.ac.uk)

### Lecture: THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RIGHTS

**Short biography:** Zdeněk Kavan is a member of faculty at the University of Sussex in the Department of International relations since 1975. He teaches on East Central Europe, International History, International Theory, Political Theory, and Human Rights. His research and publications cover the following topics: Central and Eastern Europe; post-communist transition in Czechoslovakia; civil society and democracy; human rights.

**Lecturer:** Ksenija Turković, University of Zagreb, [kturkovi@pravo.hr](mailto:kturkovi@pravo.hr)

### Lecture: FOUNDATIONS OF CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS

**Short biography:** Ksenija Turković is a professor of criminal law, international criminal law, health law and human rights at University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law. She was a judge (2013-2022) and vice president of the European Court of Human Rights (2020-2021). She graduated from the Faculty of Law in Zagreb (1987), holds an LL.M. and a J.S.D. from Yale Law School. She worked as Legal Counsel for Hunton & Williams (New York) representing before the International Court for Former Yugoslavia (ICTY) and was an Associate in General Corporate Practice Sullivan & Cromwell (New York). She was Vice-Dean for Student Affairs at the Zagreb Law School (2005-2007) and Vice-Rector for International and Legal Affairs at Zagreb University (2008-2012). She was head of an

expert team drafting the new Croatian Criminal Code (2009-2012), as well as Vice-president of the Committee of Experts on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (2006-2007) and Vice-president of the Group of Specialists on Child Friendly Justice at the Council of Europe (2009-2010). She has published books and papers in the areas of criminal law, medical law and ethics, criminology, victimology and human rights.

**Lecturer:** Prof. Nenad Markovikj, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University – Skopje, [n.markovic@pf.ukim.edu.mk](mailto:n.markovic@pf.ukim.edu.mk)

**Lecture: CONTEMPORARY THEORIES OF DEMOCRACY**

**Short biography:** Nenad Markovikj is a professor at the political science department at the Faculty of Law at Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje. He is a founder and researcher in the Institute for Democracy “Societas Civilis” – Skopje and a member of the editorial board of the quarterly magazine “Political thought”. He conducts research in political theory, social capital, political philosophy, nationalism, civil society and political culture/myth.

**Lecturer:** Prof. Igor Štiks, Faculty of Media and Communications, Belgrade, [igorstiks@yahoo.com](mailto:igorstiks@yahoo.com)

**Lecture: THEORIES AND PRACTICES OF CITIZENSHIP: STATES, NATIONS, CITIZENS**

**Short biography:** Igor Štiks received his PhD in 2009 from the Paris Institute of Political Studies (Sciences Po) and Northwestern University (USA). He has lectured at the universities of Edinburgh, Graz, Ljubljana and Sarajevo in the fields of political science, cultural and artistic studies, human rights and democracy, as well as studies in Southeast Europe. He published the monograph Nations and Citizens in Yugoslavia and the Post-Yugoslav States: One Hundred Years of Citizenship (Bloomsbury, 2015) which was published by Fraktura 2016 under the title “Citizen, citizen, foreigner, enemy: a history of Yugoslavia and post-Yugoslav states”. Srećko Horvat published the book The Right to Rebellion (Fraktura, 2010) and edited the collection Welcome to the Desert of Postsocialism (English edition Verso, 2015; Fraktura, 2015). With Jo Shaw he edited the anthologies Citizenship after Yugoslavia (Routledge, 2012) and Citizenship Rights (Ashgate, 2013). He is the author of two award-winning novels, The Castle at Romagna (2000) and Elijah's Chair (2006) which have been translated into 15 languages to date, as well as the novels Rezalište (2017) and W (2020). At the Yugoslav Drama Theater, the play Elijah's Chair, directed by Boris Liješević, won the BITEF Grand Prix 2011. His first drama Flour in the Veins (2016) won several regional awards for best text, while his play Zrenjanin premiered at the National Theater in Zrenjanin in 2017. For his literary, intellectual and public work, he received the French decoration Chevalier des Arts et des Lettres.

**Lecture: GENDER AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

**Guest Lecturer:** Zilka Spahić Šiljak ([zilka@tpofond.org](mailto:zilka@tpofond.org))

**Short biography:** Is associate professor in gender studies. She also runs the Transcultural Psychosocial Educational Foundation (TPO) in Sarajevo with focus on gender equality, intercultural and interreligious education and peacebuilding. Her scope of work includes addressing cutting-edge issues involving human rights, politics, religion, education and peacebuilding with more than fifteen years of experience in academic teaching, and work in governmental and non-governmental sectors. Her publications include The Balkans Labyrinth: Culture, Gender and Leadership, Scholars Press, 2021. ; Sociology of Gender: Feminist Critic, Sarajevo: TPO Foundation, 2019.; Living Values: Global Ethos in Local Context of BiH, Sarajevo: TPO Foundation, 2018. ; Shining Humanity. Life Stories of Women in BiH, Cambridge Scholars

Publishing, 2014. ; Contesting Female, Feminist and Muslim Identities. Post-socialist contexts in Bosnia i Hercegovina and Kosovo, CIPS University of Sarajevo 2012); Women, Religion and Politics, IMIC, TPO, CIPS University of Sarajevo, 2010.

## Course II: NATIONALISM, IDENTITY, AND CONFLICT

**Course leader:** Prof. Nebojša Vladislavljević, University of Belgrade

**Lecture: DEMOCRACY IN PLURAL SOCIETIES**

**Short biography:** Nebojša Vladislavljević teaches comparative and Serbian politics at the Faculty of Political Science, University of Belgrade. He completed his postgraduate studies at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) and then taught comparative politics and national and ethnic conflict regulation in the Graduate School at the LSE. Professor Vladislavljević's research interests include authoritarianism and democratization, nationalist mobilization and ethnic conflict regulation, social movements and revolutions, with a particular focus on communist and postcommunist states.

**Lecturer:** Prof. dr. Dejan Jović, University of Zagreb, [dejan.jovic@fpn.bg.ac.rs](mailto:dejan.jovic@fpn.bg.ac.rs)

**Lecture: NATIONALISM, SELF-DETERMINATION AND THE DISINTEGRATION OF YUGOSLAVIA**

**Short biography:** Dejan Jović is Professor of Political Science at University of Zagreb and Visiting Professor at University of Belgrade. He obtained his PhD from London School of Economics in 1999 and worked as Lecturer in Politics at University of Stirling, UK (2000-2010). He was Jean Monnet Fellow at European University Institute in Florence in 2000 and Visiting Fellow at Goldsmiths' University of London in 2017. He is President of the Managing Board of the Foreign Policy Forum, a think-tank he co-founded in Zagreb. Professor Jović is author of "Yugoslavia: a State that Withered Away" (Purdue University Press, 2009) and "War and Myth: Politics of Identity in Contemporary Croatia" (Fraktura, 2017). He edited several books in the area of IR Theory and contemporary history of Western Balkans. He was Editor-in-Chief of Croatian Political Science Review (2012-2020) and is currently editor of Tragovi (Footprints): a journal for Serbian and Croatian Issues.

**Lecturer:** Ivana Spasić, Professor, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade, [ispasic@f.bg.ac.rs](mailto:ispasic@f.bg.ac.rs)

**Lecture: IDENTITY, CONFLICT AND RECONCILIATION**

**Short biography:** Ivana Spasić teaches various subjects in social theory and sociology of culture at the Department of Sociology, Faculty of Philosophy Belgrade. She is also visiting professor at the Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade, lecture Multiculturalism and Democracy within the MA Program in Political Science, and at the Faculty of Music, University of Zagreb, for the lecture Sociology of Music. Her main areas of interest are social theory, cultural sociology, post-socialism, nationhood, collective action, and urban identities. Her publications include Politika i svakodnevni život: Srbija 1999-2002 (2003, with Z.Golubović and Đ.Pavićević), Sociologije svakodnevnog života (2004), Kultura na delu: Društvena transformacija Srbije iz burdijeovske perspektive (2013), Gradovi u potrazi za identitetom (2017, with V. Backović), The trauma of Kosovo in Serbian national narratives, in R. Eyerman, J.C. Alexander, and E.B. Breese eds., Narrating Trauma (2013), The universality of banal nationalism, or, Can the flag hang unobtrusively outside a Serbian post office?, in M. Skey and M. Antonsich eds, Everyday Nationhood (2017), Beyond East and West: Solidarity Politics and the Absent/Present State in the Balkans, Slavic Review 76 (2), 2017 (with J. Greenberg).

**Lecturer:** Prof. Dino Abazović, Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Sarajevo  
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**Lecture: RELIGION AND STATE**

**Short biography:** Dino Abazović is sociologist, Full Professor at the University of Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina. He has also worked as the Director of the Human Rights Center of the University of Sarajevo and as the Academic Coordinator of the Religious Studies Program of the Center for Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Studies at University of Sarajevo. His research is focused on the role of organized religion in conflict and post-conflict societies, the political role of religion in post-socialist transition and religious revivalism, as well as a nexus between religious claims, transitional justice and human rights in emerging democracies. His areas of expertise are Sociology of Religion; Comparative Religions; Religion and Politics; Religion and Conflict; Nationalism; Transitional Justice; Human Rights. He is a Board member of Contemporary Southeastern Europe, Gratz, Austria; and member of Editorial Boards of DISKURSI, Sarajevo; ODJEK – Review for Art, Science and Social Issues, Sarajevo; SPIRIT OF BOSNIA – International, Interdisciplinary, Bilingual, Online Journal and a referee for manuscripts to Journal for International Transitional Justice, Društvene teme, Dijalog, Vrhbosnensia, Revija za sociologiju – HSD.

**Lecturer:** Prof. Anna Krasteva – CERMES, New Bulgarian University and Policy and Citizen's Observatory: Migration, Digitalization, Climate, [anna.krasteva@gmail.com](mailto:anna.krasteva@gmail.com)

**Lecture: THEORIES AND POLITICS OF MIGRATION IN SEE**

**Short biography:** Anna Krasteva is doctor honoris causa of University of Lille, France, professor of political sciences and director of CERMES/New Bulgarian University, president of the 'Policy and Citizens's Observatory: Migration, Digitalization, Climate'. Her main fields of research and teaching are migration policies and politics; border politics; crisis studies; far-right populism; civic mobilisations and citizenship. Some of her last publications are: 'Balkan Migration Crises and Beyond'; 'Citizens' Activism and Solidarity Movements. Contending with Populism' (co-ed, Palgrave), 'Bulgarian Migration Paradox', 'If Borders Did Not Exist, Euroscepticism Would Have Invented Them, or on Post-Communist Re/De/Re/Bordering in Bulgaria'(Geopolitics). A. Krasteva is president and member of numerous international scientific boards. She participates in numerous European projects (Horizon 2020, Erasmus+, Europe for citizens, etc.).

**Lecture: MINORITY RIGHTS PROTECTION IN SEE**

**Expert:** Dr Fernand de Varennnes, Visiting Professor, Université Catholique de Lyon (France), Adjunct Professor at the National University of Ireland-Galway (Ireland), and Visiting Professor at Vytautas Magnus University (Lithuania), United Nations Special Rapporteur on Minority Issues

**Short biography:** Dr Fernand de Varennnes is since 2017 the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Minority Issues. His expertise is in the areas of the rights of minorities in international law, linguistic rights, and the prevention of ethnic conflicts. Dr de Varennnes' research and publications record spans some 300 publications in more than 30 languages. In recognition of his work and achievements in the field of human rights and the 12 protection of minorities, he has received accolades from Africa, Asia, and Europe, including the 2021 Prize of the Federalist Union of European Nationalities, the 2004 Linguapax Award (Barcelona, Spain), the Knight's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland, and the Tip O'Neill Peace Fellowship (Northern Ireland, UK).

**Guest lecturer:** Nejra Nuna Čengić, PhD, Marie Curie Research Fellow, University of Graz, Centre for Southeast European Studies, ERMA Alumna, [nejra.cengic@uni-graz.at](mailto:nejra.cengic@uni-graz.at)

**Lecture: MEMORY WORK: PERSPECTIVES FROM BELOW**

**Short biography:** Nejra Nuna Čengić is a Marie Curie Postdoctoral fellow at the University of Graz, Centre for Southeast European Studies. She holds a PhD in the Anthropology of Everyday Life from AMEU-ISH Ljubljana, Slovenia. Broadly speaking, her research interests concern social memory, storytelling, violence, precarious labour, peace and gender relations. A selection of her publications dealing with social memory include: "Lest We Forget? Speech and Non-speech in Post-war Sarajevo, in Gržinić, M. and Uitz, S., eds., *Genealogy of Amnesia: Rethinking the Past for a New Future of Conviviality*. Cambridge Scholars Publishing (2019); *Desilo se to što se desilo. Govor, život i vrijeme nakon opsade u Sarajevu*. Orion Art, Beograd (2017); "Integrating 'During the War' in 'After the War': Narrative Positionings in Post-War Sarajevo", in: Jansen, S., Brković, Č. and Čelebičić, V., eds., *Negotiating Social Relations in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Semiperipheral Entanglements*, Routledge, London and New York, 60–73 (2016). She made a significant contribution to the establishment of the Gender Studies Programme at the University of Sarajevo, where she gained most of her working experience.

### **COURSE III: DEMOCRATISATION AND EU INTEGRATION**

**COURSE LEADER:** Prof. Nikolaos Tzifakis, University of the Peloponnese, Greece

#### **Lecture: EU ENLARGEMENT AND THE WESTERN BALKANS**

**Short biography:** Nikolaos Tzifakis is Associate Professor of International Relations at the Department of Political Science & International Relations of the University of the Peloponnese; member of Balkans in Europe Policy Advisory Group; and Research Associate of the Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies. His research interests include contemporary Balkan politics, EU external relations, and International Relations theory. His publications include articles in journals such as Cambridge Review of International Affairs, Conflict Security & Development, Ethnopolitics, European Foreign Affairs Review, Global Society, Journal of Contemporary European Studies, Journal of International Development, International Journal, Problems of Post-Communism, Southeast European and Black Sea Studies, and Voluntas. In 2008, he was awarded (together with Asteris Huliaras) the Marcel Cadieux Distinguished Writing Award by the Canadian International Council. He recently co-edited (with F. Bieber) the book *The Western Balkans in the World: Linkages and Relations with Non-Western Countries* (Routledge, 2020).

**Lecturer:** Marko Kmezić, PhD, University of Graz, Austria, [marko.kmezic@uni-graz.at](mailto:marko.kmezic@uni-graz.at)

#### **Lecture: RULE OF LAW IN THE WESTERN BALKANS**

**Short biography:** Dr Marko Kmezić is a lawyer and political scientist working at the Centre for Southeast European Studies and Institute of Public Law and Political Science at the University of Graz. He is the author of several scientific monographs including "Europeanization by Rule of Law Implementation in the Western Balkans" (Institute for Democracy 2014), "EU Rule of Law Promotion: Judiciary Reform in the Western Balkans" (Routledge 2016), and co-editor of "Stagnation and Drift in the Western Balkans" (Peter Lang 2013) and "Europeanization of the Western Balkans: The Failure of Conditionality?" (Palgrave 2019). His work includes expert advice on rule of law for the EC, the OSCE, and the CoE and to governments and international organizations in the Balkans. Dr Kmezić has extensive experience in 3 qualitative and comparative research methods. His research interests include rule of law, democratisation and EU integration, as well as comparative political systems.

**Lecturer:** Prof. Giuliana Laschi, University of Bologna, [giuliana.laschi@unibo.it](mailto:giuliana.laschi@unibo.it)

#### **Lecture: HISTORY OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION**

**Short biography:** Giuliana Laschi is a Professor at the University of Bologna, Forlì Campus, where she currently teaches Contemporary History and History of European Integration. She is Jean Monnet Chair ad personam in History of European Integration. Since September 2004 she is the President of

the Scientific Committee of Punto Europa Forlì. The latter became a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in 2014. Her main research field is the history of European integration, with a special focus on the political history of CAP and the external relations of the European Communities. She wrote a large number of essays that have been published in the international field, and she also participated in a lot of international conferences on European Studies. Among her main books: *L'Europa e gli altri. Le relazioni esterne della Comunità dalle origini al dialogo Nord-Sud*, Bologna, Il Mulino, 2015; *L'Europa agricola, dalla fame agli sprechi. Storia della PAC (1945-2004)*, Bologna, Il Mulino, 2022; *Storia dell'integrazione europea*, Firenze-Milano, Le Monnier-Mondadori Education, 2021. Short description 5 The lecture concerns the analysis of the history of European integration, carried out through specific themes: the study of the reasons that lay at the foundation of the European integration process, the development of the European Communities from the beginning to the creation of the European Union, the EU's main crisis.

**Lecturer:** Prof. Damir Kapidžić, University of Sarajevo, [damir.kapidzic@fpn.unsa.ba](mailto:damir.kapidzic@fpn.unsa.ba)  
**Lecture: PATTERNS OF DEMOCRATIZATION AND AUTOCRATIZATION IN SOUTHEAST EUROPE**

**Short biography:** Damir Kapidžić is an Associate Professor of Comparative Politics at the University of Sarajevo in Bosnia and Herzegovina. His research looks at ethnic conflict, political parties and powersharing, as well as the process through which democratic or authoritarian politics are institutionalized. 8 He is the editor of the recent special issue *Illiberal Politics in Southeast Europe* (*Journal of Southeast European and Black Sea Studies* 20/1).

**Lecturer:** Prof. Bojan Bilić, University of Bologna, Italy, [bojanello@gmail.com](mailto:bojanello@gmail.com)  
**Lecture: SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN SOUTH EAST EUROPE**

**Short bio:** Bojan Bilić is a psychologist and political sociologist doing research on feminist, leftist, and LGBTQ activisms, LGBTQ-affirmative psychotherapy, and the anthropology of non-heterosexuality and gender variance in the post-Yugoslav space. He is a Lise Meitner Fellow at the Research Unit Gender Studies, Faculty of Philosophy and Education, University of Vienna, and an adjunct professor of Gender and Social Movements in South East Europe at the School of Political Sciences, University of Bologna (Forlì Campus).

**Lecturer:** Prof. Afrim Hoti, University of Pristina, Kosovo, [afrim.hoti@uni-pr.edu](mailto:afrim.hoti@uni-pr.edu)  
**Lecture: DEMOCRATIZATION UNDER CONTESTED STATEHOOD: THE CASE OF KOSOVO**

**Short bio:** Afrim Hoti earned his BA degree at Pristine University in 2001 and later on master degree (M.A. 2002) at the University of Sarajevo/Bologna on Human Rights and Democratization in South East Europe. He finished his PhD studies (2013) at the University of Hamburg/Sofia, on the Globalisation as Factor of Security. Prof. Hoti has worked so far in different academic institutions in Kosovo but also other national and international institutions just like Advisor at the Kosovo Parliament, Government as well as Special Chamber of the Kosovo Supreme Court. He was continuously involved in different international projects with European Union, USAID, UNDP and so on. He took part in many international conferences in and out of Kosovo. Lectures at different universities in Kosovo, region and wider. He is lecturing at Pristine University since 2004. Served as Head of the Department of Political Sciences/Pristine University, then shortly as vice dean for scientific issues at the Faculty of Philosophy and finally as vice rector for international cooperation at Pristine University where he led many EU projects with different universities. Apart from teaching activities in Pristina he is part of other academic programs among which the most important are: 1) Peace and Conflict Studies in the Balkans: Serbia, Bosnia and Kosovo, SIT Study Abroad, A Program of World Learning - University of Vermont, USA; 2) European Master Program on Democratization and Human Rights in South East Europe. University of Sarajevo/Bologna. He has a lot of international experiences with the focus of

Erasmus programs as he did exchanges as in the following: Bialystok University, Poland, Philips University Marburg, Germany, University of Applied Sciences, Nysa - Poland, Middle East Technical University in Ankara, Çukurova University, in Adana – Turkey, Glasgow University – School of Social and Political Sciences, Glasgow – UK and so on. He published a book, a monography and many articles at different international journals.

#### **COURSE IV: INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS NORMS AND STANDARDS**

**COURSE leader:** Prof. Antonija Petričušić, University of Zagreb, Croatia, [antonija.petricusic@pravo.hr](mailto:antonija.petricusic@pravo.hr)

**Lecture: WOMEN`S RIGHTS**

**Short biography:** Antonija Petričušić is an Associate Professor at the Chair of Sociology, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Croatia. In addition, she is a visiting professor and a member of the International Academic Council of the European Regional Master's Programme in Democracy and Human Rights in South East Europe. In the current academic year she is a Fulbright Visiting Scholar at the University of Minnesota Law School. There she is researching the consequences of conservative legal mobilization on women's rights in the United States and in Croatia and lectures on International Women's Human Rights. From 2018 to 2022 she served as an expert in the Council of Europe's Advisory Committee Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities in respect of Croatia, where she acted as this monitoring body's gender equality rapporteur. In the past she was also a member of the Croatian Ombudswoman's Human Rights Council. For her significant contribution to gender equality and social justice in Croatia in 2020 she was awarded the Fierce Women Award. Her main scientific interests include rights of national minorities, ethno-religious nationalism, diversity management, gender equality, women's rights and women empowerment.

**Lecturer:** Dr. Kalliopi Chainoglou, University of Macedonia, [kchainoglou@gmail.com](mailto:kchainoglou@gmail.com)

**Lecture: ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS**

**Short biography:** Dr. Kalliopi Chainoglou is a lawyer specializing in human rights and with expertise in public international law and international protection of human rights. Apart from practicing law, Dr Chainoglou conducts research on the jurisprudence of international protection mechanisms of human rights and undertakes policy analysis on states' implementation of their human rights obligations. She is involved in fund-raising, project management and administration of funded research projects. Dr. Chainoglou is interested in consultancy and research projects on: international law, international organizations, the Council of Europe, international security, use of force, self-defence, humanitarian law, cultural rights, intercultural dialogue, intercultural education, cultural policies, intercultural policies, women's rights, gender equality, gender-based violence, violence against children, migrants' rights, and the rights of persons with disabilities. She has published extensively on various aspects of international law and human rights in English and Greek.

**Lecturer:** Lisa Heschl, PhD, E.MA, European Training and Research Centre for Human Rights and Democracy, University of Graz, [lisa.heschl@uni-graz.at](mailto:lisa.heschl@uni-graz.at)

**Lecture: THE RIGHTS OF REFUGEES IN INTERNATIONAL LAW**

**Short biography:** Lisa Heschl is Post-Doc research and teaching fellow at the European Training and Research Centre on Human Rights and Democracy at the University of Graz (UNI-ETC). She received her Ph.D. in law from the University of Graz and holds a European Master Degree in Human Rights and Democratization (E.MA). She has been a Marie Curie visiting research fellow at the University of Deusto, Bilbao and is a visiting lecturer at the University Oldenburg and the University of Padua. Her research focuses on the European migration and asylum policy and legislation, the extraterritorial

application of international and European refugee and human rights law and its relation to European border policies and she has published widely in this field.

**Lecturer:** Prof. Marco Borraccetti, University of Bologna, Italy, [marco.borraccetti@unibo.it](mailto:marco.borraccetti@unibo.it)

**Lecture: MIGRATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

**Short biography:** Marco Borraccetti is Associate Professor of European Union Law at Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna; he is Co-director of the European Regional Master Programme in Democracy and Human Rights in South East Europe (GC/SEE ERMA) and Coordinator of MIGLAB-Studi sulle migrazioni (MIGLAB-Studies on migration), a Center of the Department of Political and Social Sciences, Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna. He is also representing the University of Bologna at the Global Campus of Human Rights, where he is Member of the Global Campus Council. His main research interests are migration, borders management and trafficking in human beings from a EU law perspective.

**Lecturer:** Wouter Vandenhole, Law and Development Research Group, University of Antwerp [wouter.vandenhole@uantwerpen.be](mailto:wouter.vandenhole@uantwerpen.be)

**Lecture: CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IN INTERNATIONAL LAW**

**Short biography:** Wouter Vandenhole is a human rights and law-and-development scholar. He holds the human rights chair at the Law Faculty of the University of Antwerp, and is a member of the Law and Development Research Group. Between 2007 and 2018, he held the UNICEF Chair in Children's Rights. Between 2013 and 2018, he directed the Law and Development research group. He is now vice-dean of research at the Faculty of Law. His research interests include children's rights, human rights, in particular economic, social and cultural rights, and the relationship between human rights law and development. He is the lead editor of the Routledge International Handbook of Children's Rights Studies (2015), and co-authored Children's Rights: A Commentary on the CRC and its Protocols, Elgar Commentaries (2019) and Advanced Introduction to Children's Rights (forthcoming June 2022).

**Lecturer:** Anita Burgund, [anita.burgund@gmail.com](mailto:anita.burgund@gmail.com)

**Lecture: CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IN SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE**

**Short biography:** Prof. dr. Anita is employed at the Belgrade University, Faculty of Political Sciences, Department of social policy and social work where she teaches subjects on child and youth social work, social work with client, communication skills and counselling. Anita is the coordinator of the Centre for research in social policy and social work at the Faculty of political sciences, Belgrade University She has participated in many projects of national and international organizations, involved in providing support and assistance to children and youth as well as child protection of children without parental care. As a researcher, she was involved in a variety of projects in the domain of social welfare and child protection, as well as migrant child protection. She has published over 50 papers in the area of expertise.

**Lecturer:** Mladen Domazet, Institute for Political Ecology, Zagreb, [mladen@ipe.hr](mailto:mladen@ipe.hr)

**Lecture: ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHTS AND CHALLENGES IN SEE**

**Short biography:** Dr. sc. Mladen Domazet graduated in physics and philosophy at the University of Oxford and received his doctorate in the scientific field of philosophy (philosophy of science) at the University of Zagreb. He is interested in research into scientific explanation, explanatory conceptual frameworks and social attitudes in the theory of adulthood. His published works show a wide range of interdisciplinary research interests, from analyzes of Wikipedia as complex networks, through



encyclopedic entries in the Philosophical Lexicon and comparative studies of educational curricula, to recent research articles on sustainability and growth.

#### **COURSE V: MECHANISMS OF HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION AND IMPLEMENTATION**

**COURSE leader:** Prof. Carmelo Danisi, University of Bologna, Italy, [carmelo.danisi2@unibo.it](mailto:carmelo.danisi2@unibo.it)

##### **Lecture: THE UN SYSTEM OF HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION**

**Short biography:** Carmelo Danisi is a Senior Research Fellow and Assistant Professor of Public International Law at University of Bologna (Italy) and Visiting Research Fellow at University of Sussex (UK), where he was Research Fellow from 2016 to 2020. He is author of a number of publications, especially in relation to international human rights law as well as international refugee law. In 2015 he published his first book Human rights protection, non-discrimination and sexual orientation (in Italian, for Editoriale Scientifica). His publications also include the edited collection Human Rights as a Horizontal Issue in EU External Policy' (Editoriale Scientifica 2021, with M. Balboni) and the ERC-funded monograph Queering Asylum in Europe (Springer 2021, with the SOGICA research team – [www.sogica.org](http://www.sogica.org)). He has been involved in several research projects concerning a variety of topics under international and EU law: legal analyses for the EU Agency for fundamental rights, self-determination and Western Sahara, the intersection of IHRL with IRL with specific focus on migrant child and minority groups, especially LGBTIQ+ people.

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##### **Lecture: THE EUROPEAN SYSTEM OF HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION**

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**Lecture: GENOCIDE IN INTERNATIONAL LAW**

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**Lecture: UNDERSTANDING TORTURE AND ENFORCED DISAPPEARANCE**

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