Dear Colleagues,

This is the fourth time I have written to you all, the Research Committee 26 on human rights members, in my capacity as Chairman. The purpose of this message is to inform current Research Committee members of the developments that have taken place in relation to the Committee over the past six months, and to provide information to all those IPSA members who are interested in conducting human rights research. In ordinary time it would be my last message as our RC26 chair, because in July 2020 during IPSA congress new chair must be elected. But now, as result of pandemic we with our RC26 body must work one year more.
During last six month the main activities of our RC26 body were concentrated on the preparation to Lisbon IPSA world congress. Additionally to four open panels which have been proposed by our RC26 committee, one close panel was proposed by our RC26 additionally, twelve closed panels were proposed by other academicians from India (4), Brazil (2), Canada, Portugal, Mexico, Colombia, Turkey and Belgium. Later I, as a chair of our RC26, formed additional five closed panel from individual papers. Common list of 22 panels you can see in this newsletter bellow.

I hope that one of the focus of our future research will be devoted to the possible influence of pandemic to the future characteristics of our world. What will be this new world or world of new sovereigntism or world with new kind of solidarity?

I hope the RC26 members will take this questions in focus of their research interests

Alexander Sungurov
14 April 2020
The COVID-19 situation has rapidly escalated in a way that few had predicted. The fight against this pandemic confronts us with enormous challenges and imposes difficult measures on all of us. IPSA has been monitoring public health measures taken across the globe very closely, and even if the future is highly unpredictable, the responsibility towards our members and everyone involved requires an alternative for holding the Congress this year.

The IPSA Executive Committee, in consultation with the Local Organizing Committee in Portugal and the Program Co-chairs, has therefore decided to postpone the 2020 IPSA World Congress to July 2021. The Congress venue, Nova University in Lisbon, will remain the same. The main theme of the Congress, New Nationalisms in an Open World, will not change and all accepted panels and papers will be maintained. Although we were looking forward to getting together in Lisbon in 2020, IPSA’s main concern is to guarantee the health and well-being of our delegates, speakers, sponsors, exhibitors and local partners. Postponing the IPSA World Congress to July 2021 will ensure a fruitful and safe Congress experience for everyone. In the meantime, we would like to thank all of you who invested time and effort into this Congress, and express our appreciation for your ongoing commitment in the upcoming months.

Accepted Papers and Panels

All accepted papers and panels remain in the 2021 Congress program. We encourage all our delegates to keep their paper and panel submissions in the program. From the enthusiastic response we received, we were expecting a historic record number of delegates in July. We hope to see you all in Lisbon in 2021, in what promises to be a prominent and successful IPSA World Congress.

More information will be posted by 30 April 2020 on the IPSA Congress website and social media accounts.

Current registrations to the 2020 World Congress will remain valid for the 2021 World Congress. All registered participants will receive an email regarding the status of their registration by 30 April 2020, providing information on how to confirm or cancel their current participation to the Congress in July 2021. In the meantime, please note that registration will be suspended temporarily until 30 April 2020.
Workshops that will be held at RC26 sessions as were planned

Challenges to Human Rights: XXI Century

*Covenor*: Prof. Alexander Sungurov  
*Chair*: Ms. Heena Makhija  
*Discussant*: Prof. Theresa Reinold

Changing Perception of Human Rights in South Asian States

*Covenor*: Prof. Sunil Khosla  
*Chair*: Prof. Madan Mohan Co-chair Prof. Sunil Khosla  
*Discussants*: Ms. Gursangeet Brar, Miss Manaswi Semwal

Countering Terrorism or Fuelling Extremism? The Comparative Growth of Global De-Radicalization Programs and Policy

*Covenor and Chair*: Prof. Kenneth Christie  
*Discussant*: Mr. Haval Ahmad

Culture of Peace and Human Rights: a Political Approach

*Covenor and Chair*: Dr. Alex Sander Xavier Pires  
*Discussants*: Dr. Luciene Dal Ri, Prof. Cássius Guimarães Chai

Current Issues and Challenges to Human Rights

*Covenor*: Prof. Zehra F. Kabasakal Arat  
*Chair*: Dr. Mehmet Kabasakal  
*Discussants*: Prof. Zehra F. Kabasakal Arat, Prof. Brooke Ackerly

Democracy, Justice and Social Rights

*Covenor and Chair*: Dr. Nivia Marina Brismat  
*Discussant*: Dr. Esperanza Palma

Freedom of Speech, Minorities and Internet

*Covenor and Chair*: Prof. Jędrzej Skrzypczak  
*Discussant*: Dr. Oscar Perez de la Fuente

Human Rights Theory: Challenges of XXI century

*Covenor*: Prof. Alexander Sungurov  
*Chair*: Dr. Anja Mihr  
*Discussant*: Prof. Alexander Sungurov
Human Rights, Civil Society and Democratic Values in India

Covenor: Dr. Pandiyam Maduraiveeran  
Chair: Prof. Sudha Gopinathan Padmalkumar  
Co-chair: iDr. Chithra Devi Kumaran S

Discussants: Dr. V Jayanthi Ms. Lakshmi Priya Thiyagarajan

Human Trafficking, Women and Children Rights

Covenor: Prof. Alexander Sungurov  
Chair: Miss Romana Pinhal

Discussant: Prof. Tatiana Barandova

Minorities, Free Speech and Internet

Covenor: Prof. Alexander Sungurov  
Chair: Dr. Oscar Perez de la Fuente

Discussant: Prof. Jędrzej Skrzypczak

Neoliberalism, Business and Human Rights

Covenor: Ms. Ayako Inokuchi  
Chair: Prof. Alison Brysk

Discussant: Prof. Brooke Ackerly

Normalisation of Human Rights Violations: Narratives of Targeted Violence in India

Covenor: Mr. Md Aftab Alam  
Chair: Ms. Yasmeen Jahan  
Co-chair: Dr. Leslie Hempson

Discussant: Ms. Harpreet Kaur Gill Mr. Md Aftab Alam

Ombudsman and other National Human Rights Institutes In Contemporary World

Covenor: Prof. Alexander Sungurov  
Chair: Prof. Alexander Sungurov Co-chair: Dr. Anja Mihr

Discussant: Ms. Ayako Inokuchi

Peacebuilding and Post-War Rehabilitation in Colombia: Interdisciplinary Approaches

Covenor: Dr. Miguel Barreto Henriques Chair: Dr. Miguel Barreto Henriques

Discussant: Mr. Nicolás Botero Vásquez

Principle of Non-discrimination in Turkey: New Nationalism and Beyond

Covenor: Dr. Gözde Yılmaz  
Chair: Dr. Digdem Soyaltin Colella

Discussant: Dr. Soeren Keil

Punitive Turn and Authoritarianism: Challenges to Human Rights

Covenor: Prof. Marcos César Alvarez Chair: Prof. Marcos César Alvarez

Discussants: Dr. Fernando Salla, Dr. Mariana Chies-Santos
Responsibility to Protect: Current Issues and New Challenges

Covenor: Prof. Alexander Sungurov Chair: Prof. Ripu Sudan Singh
Discussant: Mr. Francis Harrison

The Protection of Women from a Jus Gentium Perspective

Covenor: Prof. Tatiana Cardoso Squeff Chair: Prof. Sidney Guerra Co-chair: Prof. Felipe Chiarello
Discussants: Prof. Tatiana Cardoso Squeff, Mr. Caio Guerra

Transitional Justice in the Absence of a Formal Transition

Covenor and Chair: Prof. Tine Destrooper
Discussant: Prof. Jeremy Sarkin

Transitional Justices: Old Problems and New Challenges

Covenor: Prof. Alexander Sungurov Chair: Dr. Annie Miller
Discussant: Dr. Murat Tumay

Tribal Rights and Environment: Sacred Groves as Tribal livelihood Support System

Covenor: Dr. Mala Agarwal Chair: Prof. Amita Agarwal Co-chair: Dr. Mala Agarwal
Discussant: Dr. Pavitranand Ramhota

For more information, you can visit the Congress website by clicking the following link:

https://wc2021.ipsa.org/wc/home

CALL FOR INFORMATION: HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTES

We are interested in establishing links with Human Rights Institutes around the world. We would like to obtain the name of contact person, their email and Institute website. This information will be used to foster networking and will be distributed to the persons whose contact information has been provided.

If you are a member of a Human Rights Institute, please send an email with the contact details to:

Alexander Sungurov asungurov@mail.ru and Oscar Pérez de la Fuente oscar.perez@uc3m.es
“CURRENT ISSUES ON HUMAN RIGHTS”, new publication of IPSA RC26

The Madrid IPSA RC26 human rights symposium book has been published, entitled “Current issues on human rights”. This event was held on 23-24 May at Getafe Campus in Carlos III University of Madrid. It was an excellent opportunity to exchange points of view on human rights topics and to strengthen the RC26 community links.

To view book’s Editorial website, please click the following link:


If you are very interested in receiving a copy of this book, we have 5 copies available for the RC26 community. If it is the case, please send an email to oscar.perez@uc3m.es
CALL FOR PAPERS: INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR ON THE “STRUGGLES FOR RECOGNITION: CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND RIGHTS OF MINORITIES”

Between 15-30 June 2020, a Webinar on the “Struggles for recognition: Cultural diversity and rights of minorities” will be held online and at Carlos III University of Madrid, Spain. The Webinar boasts panels of international experts divided into the key topics. Each panel will discuss papers, which will be distributed in advance to the participants.

Participants will be connected through Carlos III’s online platform. The topics will be the following:

a) National minorities. Immigration.
c) Gender minorities. Women. LGBT.
d) Marginalised people (or marginalised groups).
e) Theoretical and methodological approaches.

If you are interested, please send an abstract (up to 300 words) to oscar.perez@uc3m.es and mqfalcao@gmail.com by 1 May 2020. Final acceptance of papers will take place between 15 May 2020.

The deadline for papers (up to 15 pages, 1.5 spacing, Harvard Quotation Style) is 15 June 2020. Papers will released to the participants before the Webinar. The Webinar will be held between 15-30 2020.

Webinar papers will be published in an ebook by Dykinson Editorial, Spain, which is one of the best Spanish editorials for Law and in an ebook in the Brazilian Editorial EdUSU.

You can see the list of accepted abstracts, by clicking this link:


Do not hesitate to contact the Coordinators if you have any queries or would like further information.

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Call for Papers

The Age of Human Rights Journal

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The Human Rights Age Journal is a scientific journal of international relevance, published in English, peer-reviewed and open-access, containing papers concerning Human Rights from different approaches.

The Journal has been included in SCOPUS and in the Emerging Sources Citation Index (Web of Science).

It is also in: Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), LATINDEX (catalogue), ISOC (CSIC), DIALNET, CIRC, ERIH PLUS, CARHUS PLUS, MIAR, ULRICH’S, OCLC, WORLD CAT, REDIB, EUROPUB, and Philosopher’s Index.

The call for papers is for the issue that will be published in December 2020

Submission instructions:

http://revistaselectronicas.ujaen.es/index.php/TAHRJ/about/submissions#authorGuidelines

Submission deadline: July 1st 2020

Manuscripts should be sent to tahjr@ujaen.es


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Here the link to the book:


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