PODIUM DISCUSSIONS SPEAKERS’ BIOS

VALENIYA LUTIKOVSKA

Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights since April 2012
2011 to 2012 – Government Agent before the European Court of Human Rights
2006 to 2011 – Deputy Minister of Justice of Ukraine, Commissioner for the
Observance of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and
Fundamental Freedoms, Ministry of Justice of Ukraine
2005 to 2006 – Deputy Director at the Law Firm “Lavrynec & Partners”
2003 to 2005 – Deputy Minister of Justice of Ukraine, Commissioner for the
Observance of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and
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1995 to 2003 – held various positions with the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine;
Awards and honors: Certificate of Merit of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine,
Order of Princess Olga, 3rd Class, Honored Lawyer of Ukraine.

ISABELLE TSCHAN

Rule of Law and Human Rights Advisor, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub
Ms. Tschan (Switzerland) has extensive experience in human rights, rule of law,
justice and security concerning programme design and management, research
and policy advice, investigation, fact-finding, monitoring and reporting,
resource mobilization with several UN entities in Africa, Asia and Europe. As
Programme Specialist on Human Rights, Rule of Law, Justice and Security at the
UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub for Europe and the CIS, she is leading the
provision of technical support, and policy advice on human rights, rule of law,
justice and security to UNDP Country Offi ces and UN Country Teams in Europe
and the CIS region.
From 2011-2014 Isabelle worked in UNDP’s Bureau for Crisis Prevention and
Recovery (BCPR) in New York as Rule of Law, Justice and Security Programme
Specialist and from 2009 – 2011 at UNDP’s Regional Centre Dakar as Policy
Specialist on Human Rights and Access to Justice providing policy advice and
programming support on rule of law and human rights. Prior to joining UNDP,
Isabelle Tschan served as Assistant to the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture.

MONIKA ČAVLOVIĆ

Human Rights Advisor to the Ombudsman of the Republic of Croatia,
Anti-Discrimination Department
Ms. Čavlović served as National Legal Ofﬁ cer at the Rule of Law Unit of the OSCE
Mission to Croatia in 2003-2011. Legal Advisor at the Committee for Human
Rights in Karlovac in 2001-2003. She has experience in the ﬁ elds of: human
rights in post-conﬂ ict situations; rights of national minorities; racial, ethnic,
and national origin discrimination; rule of law and legislative process; hate crime;
war crimes proceedings monitoring. She has the Bachelor of Laws degree from
the University of Zagreb.

FIONA FRAZER

Head of the UN Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine
Appointed Head of the UN Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine on 15
September 2015
Deputy Chief of the Europe & Central Asia Section, OHCHR HQ Geneva with
additional focus on working with the UN Special Rapporteur on Belarus, and
Deputy Regional Representative of the OHCHR Regional Oﬃ ce for Central Asia,
based in Kyrgyzstan (2012-2013).
Acting Regional Representative of the OHCHR Regional Oﬃ ce for Central Asia
with leadership of the humanitarian response to the 2010 Inter-Ethnic violence

REFAT CHUBAROV

Member of Parliament, Ukrainian politician and public ﬁ gure, Chairperson of the
Molds of the Crimean Tatars People (since November 2015), President of the World
Congress of the Crimean Tatars (since May 2009), Member of the Council for
Ethnic Policy (since May 2006), Member of the Commission on Citizenship under
the President of Ukraine (since April 2005), Member of the Council of the
representatives of the Crimean Tatar people under the President of Ukraine
(since May 1999), Deputy Chairperson of the Council of the representatives of the
Crimean Tatar people (since May 1999), Professor Emeritus of Kyiv-Mohyla
Academy (since 2009).

IRENA SUSLOVA

Member of Parliament (political party Association “SAPOMYCH”) and Chair of the
Subcommittee for gender equality and non-discrimination, Verkhovna Rada Committee
on Human Rights, Minorities and Interethnic Relations.
Ms. Suslova specializes in gender equality and women’s empowerment.

JANTHOMAS HEMMSTA

UNDP Country Director in Ukraine
Mr. Hemmsta has been a development advocate, practitioner and manager for the
United Nations Development Programme for 20 years. During this time he has
served in nine duty stations: with the UNDP in Iraq and the Palestinian Authority,
with the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission in Kosovo, with the United Nations
High Commissioner for Refugees in Jordan, with the United Nations
Development Programme in Afghanistan, with the United Nations Project in
Bosnia and Herzegovina, with the United Nations Development Programme
He designed and rolled out UNDP’s global systems and procedures for immediate
humanitarian crises.

CHRISTIAN DONS CHRISTENSEN

Ambassador of Denmark to Ukraine, Georgia and Armenia, former Head of
Department for Asia, Oceania and Latin America, Special Representative for
Afghanistan and Pakistan and former Head of Department for European
Neighborhood.

KATHARINA ROSE

Geneva Representative for the Global Alliance of National Human Rights
Institutions (GANNI)
Ms. Rose supports national human rights institutions (NHRIs) in their
engagement with the Human Rights Council, the Universal Periodic Review and
the treaty monitoring bodies.
She also promotes GANNI activities, including liaising with the OHCHR and UN
agencies, and supports awareness building and promotion around NHRIs and
the Global Alliance and supports it in engaging with the General Assembly and
Human Rights Council resolutions on NHRIs and other inter-governmental
negotiations in both Geneva and New York.
Ms. Rose is a lawyer with admission to practice at the bar and as judge in
German jurisdiction.

AKSONA FILIPISHYNA

Representative of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights for
the rights of the child, non-discrimination and gender equality (since 2012).
Ms. Filipishyna is a lawyer and in 1991 graduated from the Odessa Mochnov
National University with a degree in law.
She has extensive experience in the area of human rights. Since 2016, she
worked at the State Department for Adoption and Child Protection of the
Ministry for Family, Youth and Sports, where she held various positions from an
expert to a head of a department.
From January 2013 – Head of the Department of Adoption and Child Protection,
The Ministry for Social Policy of Ukraine.
Mentioned Social Worker of Ukraine.

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If you want peace, prepare it,
prepare, without sparing the forces,
every day of your life,
each hour of your days.

Stefan Zweig
AGENDA

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10.30–11.00 | REGISTRATION / WELCOME COFFEE
11.00–11.30 | WELCOMING REMARKS
Ms. Valeriyu Lukovska, Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights
Ms. Janytomas Hiemstro, UNDP Country Director in Ukraine
Mr. Christian Dons Christensen, Ambassador of Denmark to Ukraine, Georgia and Armenia
Mr. Gianni Magazzini, Chief, Americas, Europe and Central Asia Branch, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (video statement)
11.30–13.00 | PODIUM DISCUSSION. FROM DECLARATION TO IMPLEMENTATION: NHRIs AS ACTIVE ACTORS IN PEACEBUILDING EFFORTS
- Ms. Valeriya Lukovska, Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights
- Mr. Grygoriy Nemyrya, MP, Chair of the Parliament Committee for human rights, interethenic relations and national minorities
- Ms. Monika Čipović, Advisor to the Ombudsman of the Republic of Croatia
- Ms. Isabelle Tchanch, Rule of Law & Human Rights Advisor, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub
Moderator — Mr. Andriy Kulikov, journalist, media expert
13.00–14.00 | COFFEE
14.00–15.15 | PODIUM DISCUSSION. ASSISTANCE TO CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATION AND VICTIMS: NHRIs’ EFFORTS ON NON-DISCRIMINATION
- Ms. Fiona Frazer, Head of the United Nations Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine
- Ms. Iryna Suslova, MP, Chair of the Subcommittee for gender equality and non-discrimination
- Mr. Refat Chubarov, MP, Chairman of the Mejlis of the Crimean Tatar people
- Ms. Katharina Rose, Geneva Representative for the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)
- Ms. Aksana Filipishyna, Representative of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for the children, non-discrimination and gender equality
Moderator — Mr. Andriy Kulikov, journalist, media expert
15.15–15.30 | COFFEE

AGENDA

SESSION 1. (Meeting Room «Concord»)
GENDER EQUALITY

Moderator – Ms. Anastasiya Divinskaya, Gender Advisor of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)

Speakers:
- Ms. Iryna Suslova, MP, Chair of the Subcommittee for gender equality and non-discrimination, Parliament Committee for human rights, interethenic relations and national minorities
- Mr. Myroslav Dihtyur, Head of the unit for gender equality, Department for observance of the rights of the child, non-discrimination and gender equality
- Ms. Tetyana Rudenko, Representative of Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)
- Ms. Halya Skipalaska, Executive Director of the International Charity Fund “Ukrainian Foundation for Public Health”
- Ms. Hanna Yanova, Eastern Ukrainian Center of Public Initiatives NGO, Justice for Peace in Donbas Coalition
- Ms. Larysa Kolos, International School of Equal Possibilities

SESSION 2. (Conference Room «Congress»)
SPECIAL NEEDS OF VULNERABLE GROUPS

Moderator – Ms. Aksana Filipishyna, Representative of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights for the children, non-discrimination and gender equality

Speakers:
- Ms. Nino Kukhianidze, Coordinator of the Public Defender’s Office of Georgia, Tolerance Center
- Ms. Gabrielle Akimova, UNICEF Ukraine Child Protection Specialist
- Ms. Larysa Bayda, Head of the unit for normative and legal support, CSO National Assembly of Persons with Disabilities
- Ms. Olena Chorna, Head of the unit for children’s rights, Office of the Ombudsman of Ukraine
- Mr. Constantin Calancea, UNAIDS Human Rights Advisor
- Ms. Oleksandra Oleiemenchuk, CSO “Centre for Civil Liberties”
- Mr. Rostyslav Dzundza, Chairman of the Board, Bureau of Social and Political Developments
- Ms. Anastasiya Nekrasova, Eastern Ukrainian Center of Public Initiatives NGO, Justice for Peace in Donbas Coalition
- Ms. Eugeniya Lukyanchenko, Representative of NC UCRS

SESSION 3. (Conference Room «Davos»)
PROTECTION OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE

Moderator – Ms. Svitolana Kolyshko, Human Rights Team Lead, UNDP

Speakers:
- Ms. Zhanna Lukianenko, Representative of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights for IDPs
- Mr. Märtten Ehnhorn, Council of Europe, Head of Office, Representative of the Secretary General in charge of the co-ordination of the co-operation programmes in Ukraine
- Mr. Geovrgi Tuka, Deputy Minister of Ukraine for temporarily occupied territories and IDPs
- Mr. Dmytro Plechko, Senior legal advisor to the regional office of UNHCR in Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova
- Ms. Tetyana Durneva, Executive director, Donetsk regional organization of all-Ukrainian non-governmental organization “Committee of voters of Ukraine”
- Mr. Ivane Bochorishvili, Deputy Head of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in Ukraine
- Mr. Tanel Tang, Political Advisor, Delegation of the European Union to Ukraine
- Ms. Tamila Tasheva, NGO “Crimea SOS”

DEBRIEFING
Ms. Valeriyu Lukovska, Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights
Ms. Blerta Cela, UNDP Deputy Country Director in Ukraine

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