

Advanced Training Course

International Mechanisms for the Protection of Children's Rights

The United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child

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United Nations Headquarters - Geneva - Switzerland

The Geneva Institute for Human Rights (GIHR) announces the opening of applications for the advanced annual training course on international human rights mechanisms in the field of children's rights, which will be held on the margins of the 92nd session of the Committee on the Rights of the Child at the Institute's headquarters and the United Nations headquarters in Geneva from 16 to 20 January 2023.

This advanced training course is a continuation of the Institute's march in providing human Rights training in North Africa and the Middle East to human rights defenders and public institutions, empowering them to access and use International human rights procedures, standards, and mechanisms. GIHR has also delivered capacity building and advocacy services to different governmental and nongovernmental organizations that protect the rights of individuals with a special focus on women and children in the African and Arab Region.

Course objectives

- 1. Enhancing the participants interaction with the international human rights system
- 2. Developing the capacities and skills of the participants regarding the work of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child

Methodology

During the training course, several methods will be used, including lectures, discussions and brainstorming, which will be supervised by the training staff of the Institute in addition to experts from the Committee on the Rights of the Child, and participation in the discussion session of the periodic report of the Sultanate of Oman before the Committee on the Rights of the Child.

Skills and knowledge participants will acquire:

The training program has been developed in a professional and interactive manner that combines theoretical education in the form of sharing scientific knowledge about the United Nations conventions in the field of human rights and their protocols and the mechanism for submitting individual complaints in addition to the national, regional mechanisms, with practical application in the form of participation in the discussion session of the periodic report of Oman before the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child.

The training will be conducted in Arabic by a selection of experts and trainers in this area.

Admission requirements

- 1. Participants can be human rights activists and defenders or workers from civil society organizations, national human rights institutions, academic institutions and government agencies.
- 2. Participants have the desire to continue carrying out human rights activities.
- 3. The target group should be willing to benefit from the program and to share with others the experience they have gained.
- 4. Participants should be committed to attend and participate actively throughout the program.
- 5. Participants should have the skill to deal with people from different backgrounds and have a proper style of dialog and discussion.
- 6. Have a spirit of teamwork and institutional action.
- 7. Obligation to complete the registration form.
- 8. Full-time learning is required.
- 9. Course fee obligation.

Selection criteria of participants

The institute's selection committee will review all the forms submitted and will consider the completed data and information forms, and select 25 participants, taking into account the enhanced participation of women as well as the geographical distribution of the Middle East and North Africa region.

Important notes

- A clear photocopy of a valid passport must be submitted.
- If you already have a Schengen visa, please attach it with your passport photo.
- Please attach a formal letter from the governmental or nongovernmental agency if the applicant is represented by them.
- The Institute shall provide participants with formal invitations to the Swiss Embassy.
- The Geneva Institute for Human Rights does not bear any responsibility if the visa is denied by the competent Swiss authorities.
- The Institute has the right to cancel the participation of the trainee if the provided information is incorrect.

Certificate

Participants who successfully complete the training course will receive a certificate of participation from the Geneva Institute for Human Rights.

Fee

For participants from non-governmental organizations, the training course fee is 1,000 CHF, for national human rights institutions the fee is 1,250 CHF and for government agencies the required fee is of 1,500 CHF. All travel, daily subsistence and accommodation costs should be covered by the trainee.

Payment of fee

Payment should be made once your participation is confirmed. As the course has limited places, participation can only be guaranteed by paying fees. In case of cancellation, 200 CHF will be charged.

To register click on the link below:

https://www.gihr.org/trainingcourses

For inquiries and more information, please send an email to the Institute's Training Unit:

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