

Human Rights Go Local: What Works

Academy and Conference on Human Rights at the Local and Regional Levels 2021 on

"Field-proven research methods on human rights"

1 - 9 February 2021

Young Researcher's Day

1. Background

The 2021 Academy "Human Rights Go Local: What Works" is dedicated to field-proven human rights research methods and their relevance and application for evidence-based policy making on the local level.

The first day of the Academy is dedicated to innovative research projects in the field of human rights research at the local level by promising researchers.

On this day, young researchers (postgraduates, PhD candidates, early post-doc) are invited to present their research projects and will receive feedback from participating experts and peers. Thereby, participants will enhance their own research endeavours and will contribute to sharing cross- and transdisciplinary insights and to recovering synergies in the field of human rights research at the local level.

Additionally, young researchers are invited to attend the plenary sessions of the Academy and to participate actively in the thematic workshops. For more information see www.humanrightsgolocal.org/academy2021.

We encourage critical contributions from all disciplines, either with a practical or theoretical focus, on human rights (research) at the local level and which are related, but not limited, to one of the following themes:

- Human rights data collection at the local level
- Human rights indicators and measuring human rights at the local level
- Human rights research methods at the local level
- Best practices human rights research at the local level

2. Format and participation

Selected contributions will be thematically grouped in panels. Researchers have 20 minutes each to present their main points, arguments and/or findings. Each presentation will be commented on by a designated expert in the field of human rights at the local level.

The feedback by experts and peers will enhance the research endeavours of participants and will contribute to sharing cross- and transdisciplinary insights and to recovering synergies in the field of human rights research at the local level. By participating in the workshops of the Academy the following days, young researchers will be provided with the opportunity to engage in direct discussion with leading experts in the field of local human rights governance and research, and their input may contribute to the shaping of the outcome document of the Academy, which targets local level authorities.

3. Submission of abstracts

Submissions of maximum 300 words describing your presentation should be sent together with a short bio no later than **16 December 2020** to academy2021@humanrightsgolocal.org. The subject line should read “Application Young Researchers Day”. Decisions of acceptance will be notified by the end of 2020. Draft contributions shall be submitted by 15 January 2021.

4. Location and dates

Please note that the Academy will take place virtually and conference language will be English (without translation). Further information on the logistics can be found at www.humanrightsgolocal.org/academy2021 and will be communicated in due time.

