

## THE 2017 PROGRAMME

The founding document of modern human rights law, the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights, posited that 'recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world'. Still, however, one may wonder whether this **foundational importance of human rights** has come to be fully realised in the international legal order. In this MACIL course, we will discuss the role of human rights law in the broader **context of the international legal order**. Does international law recognise, or even promote, the fundamental importance of human rights law?



2017 Session  
(31 July - 11 August)

## HUMAN RIGHTS: Keystone or Just another Brick in the Architecture of International Law?

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Do competing regimes of international law (e.g. trade law, investment law) accept, or rather challenge, the '**primacy**' of human rights law? The question of whether human rights actually constitute the '**keystone**' of the international legal order is thus of interest not only for human rights lawyers and activists, but also students and practitioners of other areas of international law.

We are looking forward to receiving your application!

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# 6<sup>th</sup> Munich Advanced Course in International Law (MACIL) – 2017 Session

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

With its rich academic heritage – famous international lawyers like **Erich Kaufmann** and **Bruno Simma** held a chair at LMU – and the excellent research facilities provided by one of the major **law libraries** in Europe, Munich is an ideal place to study public international law. Apart from that, Munich offers a fantastic atmosphere for **international encounters**.

The MACIL summer school, run by LMU's Institute of International Law, offers an opportunity for **students** and **young professionals** to dedicate two weeks to intense and in-depth study of public international law. In addition, the city and its beautiful surroundings can be enjoyed during **extra-curricular activities**. The programme takes place from **31 July to 11 August 2017** and is entirely taught in **English**.

Lectures are given by renowned experts of public international law, academics as well as practitioners. The MACIL class is typically composed of **30 to 35 students**, allowing for a close exchange of ideas between lecturers and students. Classes of recent years have brought together participants with **different academic backgrounds** – advanced undergraduates, master and PhD students as well as young professionals from the field of international law, international relations or related subjects – and more than **20 nationalities** each year.

### ACADEMIC PROGRAMME

The questions to be discussed are going to include, amongst others: \*

- Human rights and **general international law**: specialty or coherence?
- **Foundations** of international law: sovereign states v. the individual
- Human rights approach(es) to **environmental protection**
- Human rights law in times of war: its uneasy relationship with **international humanitarian law**
- **International criminal law** as a vehicle for, and threat to, the realisation of human rights law?
- Human rights law and the **international security regime**
- Human rights law and the **WTO**
- Human rights law and **international investment law**: protecting investors and/or those affected by foreign investment?

### FACULTY

Lecturers for the 2017 MACIL class are going to include, amongst others: \*

- **Samantha Besson** (University of Fribourg, Switzerland)

- **Robert Cryer** (University of Birmingham, UK)
- **Malgosia Fitzmaurice** (Queen Mary University London, UK)
- **Markus Krajewski** (University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany)
- **Daniel Moeckli** (University of Zurich, Switzerland)
- **Brunno Simma** (Former Judge at the ICJ; Universities of Munich and Michigan)
- **Christian Walter** (University of Munich, Germany)

### GRADES & REGISTRATION

Participation in the course is worth **4 ECTS credits** (or 6 ECTS credits including an individual grade if participants choose to write an individual essay).

**Applicants** are required to have basic knowledge of public international law and a good command of English. Applications for the course are kindly submitted via the **online form** available at

[www.macil-misu.de](http://www.macil-misu.de)

Deadline for registration is **3 April 2017** (early birds) / **1 May 2017**.

For further application details, please refer to our webpage.