

SHUREA | Strengthening Human Rights Research and Education in Sub-Saharan Africa

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Dear SHUREA colleagues, please find below an update on some of the upcoming and past SHUREA activities of 2018.

Upcoming events

Second African Forum for Doctoral Research in Human Rights (AfriDoors), University of Nairobi, 27-31 August 2018

The second AfriDoors Forum will gather doctoral candidates, post docs and supervisors from the SHUREA partner institutions at the University of Nairobi 27-31 August 2018. The forum provides a platform for discussions and feedback on ongoing doctoral research and charts the way forward for continued cooperation among the partner institutions on capacity building in doctoral training in human rights.



SHUREA Reviewer's Workshop - Call for papers

The first SHUREA Reviewer's Workshop will take place 31 August - 1 September 2018 at the University of Nairobi. The Workshop pilots an informal peer review process for journal

manuscripts within SHUREA. Researchers and doctoral candidates at the SHUREA universities are welcome to submit manuscripts to the review panel by **3 August 2018** at shurea@abo.fi. Only manuscripts for journal articles (max. 13 000 words) will be considered. In addition to providing personal details (name, contact information, position at SHUREA university), the researchers are requested to mention the name of the journal that they are targeting as well as to briefly explain the reason for this choice. Should the number of manuscripts submitted be high, a selection will be made taken into account the expertise of the members of the review panel, the quality of the manuscript and the publication plan. The authors, whose manuscripts will be taken up for discussion in the Reviewer's Workshop, will receive written feedback on their manuscripts. The review panel will appoint from among its members a rapporteur for each manuscript.

The review panel consists of Prof. Elina Pirjatanniemi (Åbo Akademi University), Assoc. Prof. Magdalena Kmak (Åbo Akademi University), Dr. Mesenbet Assefa (Addis Ababa University), Ass. Prof. Mizanie Abate Tadesse (Addis Ababa University), Prof. Ben Twinomugisha (Makerere University), Dr. Ashwanee Budoo (University of Pretoria), Dr. Ciara O'Connell (University of Pretoria), and NN (University of Nairobi).

Working Group on Access to Justice at the Third Annual Conference of the Law and Development Research Network: INTERFACES, Leiden University, the Netherlands, 19-21 September 2018

The SHUREA project will coordinate a working group on *Access to justice for development in Africa: A multi-actor perspective* at the upcoming Third Annual Conference of the Law and Development Research Network to be held in Leiden 19-21 September 2018. For more information on the conference, please see [here](#).

Advanced Course on Justiciability of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Åbo Akademi University, 10-14 December 2018

The Åbo Akademi Institute for Human Rights will host an Advanced Course on Justiciability of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights 10-14 December 2018. This intensive course offers participants an opportunity to develop specialist level knowledge in the field of economic, social and cultural rights, with a particular focus on justiciability at the national, regional and international level. The applications are due by 14 September 2018. For more information, please, see [here](#).

Past events

Law and Development Research Network PhD Course 2018 - Resilience and Equality: Questions for the North and the South, Åbo Akademi University, 11-15 June 2018

Several SHUREA researchers participated in the first PhD Course organised by the Law and Development Research Network ([LDRN](#)) in Turku, 11-15 June 2018. For more information on the course, please see [here](#).



Mobility

For presentations of SHUREA guest researchers visiting the Centre for Human Rights at the University of Pretoria and the Åbo Akademi University Institute for Human Rights, please, see [here](#). There are both long-term (2-5 months) and short-term (less than a week) mobility actions available within the SHUREA project. The long-term actions are targeted primarily at researchers working on their doctoral dissertation and the short-term mobility actions are meant for post doc researchers attending international conferences. The doctoral candidates for the long-term mobility actions are recruited within the law faculty/school of the respective partner university.

Publications and communication

Please, keep us informed on events and publications relevant for the SHUREA project. We will be happy to share the news via the SHUREA Newsletter, website (www.abo.fi/shurea), email list (shurea@abo.fi) and [Facebook page](#).

SHUREA aims at improving the quality and availability of PhD training in human rights, and strengthening the role of human rights research in societal development processes. Project partners are the Institute for Human Rights at Åbo Akademi University in Finland, Centre for Human Rights at University of Pretoria in South Africa, School of Law at Addis Ababa University

in Ethiopia, School of Law at Makerere University in Uganda and School of Law at University of Nairobi in Kenya.



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