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**SYMPOSIUM ON THE FUTURE
OF INTERNATIONAL
HUMAN RIGHTS LAW**

February 22, 2019

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9:00 - 9:05 – Welcome – Matthew Washnock;
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9:05 - 9:10 – Welcome – Dean Jim Rossi; Vanderbilt
University

9:10 - 9:20 – Introduction – Professor Ingrid Wuerth;
Vanderbilt University

9:25 - 10:15 – Keynote – Professor John Tasioulas;
King's College London

10:20 - 11:10 – Keynote – Professor Samuel Moyn;
Yale University

11:10 - 11:25 – Break – Light Refreshments in the
North Lobby

11:30 - 12:15 – Comment – Professor James Gathii;
Loyola University, Chicago

12:15 - 1:15 – Lunch

1:20 - 2:05 – Comment – Professor Kathryn Sikkink;
Harvard University

2:10 - 2:55 – Comment – Professor Gopal Sreenivasan; Duke University

2:55 - 3:10 – Break – Light Refreshments in the North Lobby

3:15 - 4:00 – Comment – Professor Lorna McGregor; University of Essex

4:05 - 4:50 – Comment – Professor Karima Bennoune; University of California, Davis

4:50 - 5:00 – Conclusion – Professor Ingrid Wuerth; Vanderbilt University

5:00 - 6:00 – Reception – North Lobby

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KEYNOTES:

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ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS:

Professor Ingrid Wuerth • Professor James Gathii • Professor
Kathryn Sikkink • Professor Gopal Sreenivasan • Professor Lorna
McGregor • Professor Karima Bennoune

RECEPTION – 5:00PM

CLE General Credit: 5.92 Hours

SPEAKERS

JOHN TASIOULAS, *King's College London*

John Tasioulas is the Yeoh Professor of Politics, Philosophy, and Law at the Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London, and the Director of the Yeoh Tiong Lay Centre for Politics, Philosophy, and Law. He received degrees in law and philosophy from the University of Melbourne and obtained his doctorate from the University of Oxford, where he studied as a Rhodes Scholar. His recent writings have focused on philosophical issues regarding punishment, human rights, and international law.

SAMUEL MOYN, *Yale Law School*

Samuel Moyn is the Henry R. Luce Professor of Jurisprudence at Yale Law School and a Professor of History at Yale University. He has written several books in his fields of European intellectual history and human rights history, including *The Last Utopia: Human Rights in History* (2010), *Christian Human Rights* (2015), and *Not Enough: Human Rights in an Unequal World* (2018). Professor Moyn holds degrees from Washington University in St. Louis and Harvard Law School and earned his Ph.D. in History from the University of California, Berkeley.

JAMES T. GATHII, *Loyola University Chicago School of Law*

James T. Gathii is the Wing-Tat Lee Chair in International Law at Loyola University Chicago School of Law. He is a graduate of the University of Nairobi, Kenya, and Harvard Law School. He sits on the board of editors of the *American Journal of International Law*, the *Journal of African Law*, and the *Journal of International Trade Law and Policy*, among others. His research and teaching interests are in public international law, international trade law, third world approaches to international law, African constitutionalism, and human rights.

KATHRYN SIKKINK, *Harvard University*

Kathryn Sikkink is the Ryan Family Professor of Human Rights Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School and the Carol K. Pforzheimer Professor at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study. Sikkink works on international norms and institutions, transnational advocacy networks, the impact of human rights law and policies, and transitional justice. She holds an MA and Ph.D. from Columbia University and has been a Fulbright Scholar in Argentina and a Guggenheim fellow. She is a member of the American Philosophical Society, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the Council on Foreign Relations.

GOPAL SREENIVASAN, *Duke University*

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LORNA MCGREGOR, *University of Essex*

Lorna McGregor is a Professor in International Human Rights Law at Essex Law School, Director of the Human Rights Centre at the University of Essex, and PI and Director of the ESRC Human Rights, Big Data and Technology (HRBDT) project. From 2015-2019, she was a Commissioner on the Equality and Human Rights Commission of Great Britain. She holds degrees from Edinburgh Law School and from Harvard Law School, where she was a Kennedy Memorial Trust Scholar and Henigson Fellow.

KARIMA BENNOUNE, *University of California, Davis*

Karima Bennoune is a Professor of Law at the University of California, Davis. Bennoune has written and lectured widely on many topics of international law and human rights, including discrimination and violence against women, terrorism and torture, and Muslim fundamentalism. Since 2015, she has served as the United Nations Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights. Bennoune earned her B.A. from Brown University, and an M.A. in Middle Eastern and North African studies, a Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies, and a J.D. from the University of Michigan.

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