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WOMEN POLITICAL DISSENTERS: GOING BEYOND THE EUROPEAN HUMAN RIGHTS RULINGS

Workshop Programme

4 June 2026

Law Faculty Room, Academy Building (Broerstraat 5, Groningen)

9:30 AM – 9:45 AM

Walk-In & Registration

9:45 AM – 10:00 AM

Welcome

Prof. Wilbert Kolkman, Dean of the Faculty of Law, University of Groningen

Opening Remarks

Dr. Aikaterini (Katerina) Tsampi, Assistant Professor of Public International Law, University of Groningen

Panel 1, Welcoming session - Conceptual and Methodological Foundations

Chair: Dr. Antenor Hallo de Wolf, Assistant Professor of Public International Law, University of Groningen

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM

Prof. John Morijn

Chair in Law and Politics in International Relations, University of Groningen

“The Gender of Rule of Law Crises: Some Personal Reflections”

10:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Prof. Aurelia Colombi Ciacchi

Professor of Law and Governance, University of Groningen

“PAN, Human Rights, and Gender: Reflections on the EU Law History”

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Q&A and Discussion

Panel 2 - Going Beyond the Text: Processes, Actors and Narratives

Chair: Dr. Marina Fortuna, Assistant Professor of Public International Law, University of Groningen

11:00 AM – 11:15 AM

Dr. Agnieszka Kubal

Associate Professor, Centre for Socio-Legal Studies (CSLS), Faculty of Law, University of Oxford;
Research Fellow, Green Templeton College

“The European Court of Human Rights Is Closer Than You Think: Developing a Theory of Social-Legal Proximity”

11:15 AM – 11:30 AM

Dr. Conny Roggeband

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Amsterdam; Director, Amsterdam Research Center for Gender & Sexuality

“The Gendered Dynamics of Autocratization”

11:30 AM – 11:45 AM

Dr. Yuliia Khyzhniak

Researcher, University of Groningen

“Motherhood as a Political Act? Zarema Musayeva as a Character in the ECtHR’s Judgment and Beyond”

11:45 AM – 12:15 PM

Q&A and Discussion

12:15 PM – 13:15 PM

Lunch Break

Panel 3 - Gendered Oppression: Going Beyond the ECtHR

Chair: Dr. Nina Mileva, Assistant Professor of Public International Law, University of Groningen

13:15 – 13:30

Dr. Tejal Jesrani

Director, Human Rights Institute, Columbia Law School; Director, TrialWatch Project

“Gendered Political Oppression Beyond Europe: Trial Monitoring in Gendered Contexts”

13:30 – 13:45

Dr. Lorena Sosa

Associate Professor, Utrecht University

“Feminist Activism and Intersectionality in the Inter-American Human Rights System and the Supreme Court of Argentina”

13:45 – 14:00

Dr. Audrey Fino

Assistant Professor of Public International Law, University of Groningen

“Lessons from the Practice of International Justice: Gendered Harmful Speech against Women”

14:00 – 14:30

Q&A and Discussion

14:30 – 14:40

Closing Remarks