

UNHCR/International Commission of Jurists Joint Workshop
***The protection from refoulement and the right to an effective remedy under the
European Convention of Human Rights: from theory to practice***
Seminar Room, European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR), Strasbourg
3-4 July 2012

Draft Agenda

Day 1

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| 8.30 – 9.00 | Welcome of participants |
| 9.00 – 9.15 | Welcome remarks and presentation of the workshop objectives and of the participants (Olivier Beer, Representative, UNHCR Strasbourg & Róisín Pillay, Senior Legal Adviser, ICJ) |
| 9.15 – 9.30 | The protection from <i>refoulement</i> as a fundamental right in international law (Massimo Frigo, Legal Advisor, ICJ) |
| 9.30 – 10.00 | Latest developments in the ECtHR's case law on the protection from <i>refoulement</i> under Article 3 ECHR (Clare Ovey, Head of Division, ECtHR Registry) |
| 10.00 – 10.30 | The relevance of Art. 3 ECHR in the asylum context (Jutta Seidel, Senior Legal Associate, UNHCR Strasbourg) |
| 10.30 – 11.00 | Questions and discussion |
| 11.00 – 11.30 | Coffee break |
| 11.30 – 13.00 | Panel Discussion: Opportunities and challenges in lodging a request for Rule 39 interim measures and an application under Art. 3 ECHR in a <i>refoulement</i> case
- UNHCR's perspective (Samuel Boutruche, Legal Associate, UNHCR Strasbourg)
- ECtHR Registry's perspective (Clare Ovey, Head of Division, ECtHR Registry)
- Legal practitioners' perspective (Flip Schuller, Lawyer, Partner at Bohler Advocaten, Amsterdam) |
| 13.00 – 14.15 | Lunch break (Cafeteria of the ECtHR) |
| 14.15 – 14.30 | Presentation of the case study (UNHCR) |
| 14.30 – 16.00 | Work in small groups on the outline of a request for Rule 39 interim measures and the issues to be raised in the related application under Art. 3 ECHR (based on the facts and questions presented in the case study) |

16.00 – 16.30	Coffee break
16.30 – 17:45	Presentation by each group and debriefing in plenary
18.00	Reception for the launching of the UNHCR's Rule 39 Toolkit (Petit Bar, ECtHR's building)

Day 2

9.00 – 9.15	Introductory remarks on the right to an effective remedy in international law (Róisín Pillay, Senior Legal Advisor, ICJ)
9.15 – 10.00	The latest developments in the ECtHR's case law on Article 13 ECHR of relevance in the asylum context (Speaker from the ECtHR Registry, TBC)
10.00 – 10.30	The notion of an effective remedy in the ECHR and its implications in the asylum context (Samuel Boutruche, Legal Associate, UNHCR Strasbourg)
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 12.30	Panel Discussion: Legal and practical challenges in lodging a complaint linked to Article 13 ECHR in a <i>refoulement</i> case - ECtHR Registry's perspective (Speaker from the ECtHR Registry, TBC) - Legal practitioners' perspective (Adam Weiss, AIRE Centre) - UNHCR's perspective (Samuel Boutruche, Legal Associate, UNHCR Strasbourg)
12.30 – 13.45	Lunch break
13.45 – 14.00	Presentation of the case study (UNHCR or ICJ)
14.00 – 15.00	Work in small groups on the main arguments to be presented during the hearing based on the facts and questions presented in the case study
15.00 – 16.00	Reconstruction of a hearing before the ECtHR of a case on Article 13 ECHR in the asylum context - Pleadings of the applicant's representatives - Pleadings of the respondent State's representatives - Pleadings of the Third Party intervener - Questions/comments from the judges - Responses from the parties
16.00 – 16.15	Coffee break

16.15 - 17.15 Debriefing in plenary

17.15 - 17.30 Closing of the workshop