The Place of International Human Rights Law in Times of Crisis

ESIL IHRL Interest Group Roundtable

7 September 2016

Riga Graduate School of Law, Rm. w-23, 2nd floor (please visit the conference website for directions http://esil.rgsl.lv/en/)

The 2016 ESIL Annual Conference in Riga asks whether international law is up to the task of dealing with particular crises. In our IHRL Interest Group annual thematic gathering, we ask this question within the context of international human rights law. What types of crises does international human rights law face? Does it address the crises it faces adequately?

Session 1: 13.00-15.00

International law as a cause of and response to crisis: the case of the ‘refugee crisis’ and the extraterritorial obligation of non-refoulement, Ralph Wilde (University College London)

Migration Emergencies, Jaya E Ramji Nogales, (Temple University)

In(Action) at Home: Due Diligence and Arms Transfers under International Human Rights Law, Elif Aşkın (Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law)

15.00-15.15: Break

Panel 2: 15.15-17.15

United Nations Security Council and the Ebola Crisis, Charlotte Steinorth (Central European University)

State Human Rights Obligations and Disaster Risk Reduction, Christy Shucksmith (University of Lincoln)

The impact of austerity policies on international Courts and their jurisprudence, Gaëtan Cliquennois (University of Strasbourg)

Please note that the Business Meeting of the IHRL Interest Group will take place on 8 September between 18.00 pm and 19.00 pm in "LETA" hall.