

# Human Rights Defenders Academy 2014



The **Human Rights Defenders Academy** is an annual training program for individuals working to advance human rights and fundamental freedoms around the world through peaceful means.

**Brussels (Belgium)**  
**21 - 24 October 2014**

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# Programme Overview and Methodology



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The Human Rights Defenders Academy (HRDA) consists of a series of intensive workshops on advocacy, monitoring and personal security and protection, meetings with Brussels-based resource persons and organisations, and site visits to European institutions.

The training is based on a participatory, active learning approach, and has an emphasis on peer-to-peer learning. In the late afternoons and evenings, participants have the opportunity to meet with resource persons and organisations, visit European Institutions, in Brussels learn about EU foreign policy, advocacy and funding opportunities to support human rights defenders.

## Format

**09h00-14h30:** Intensive workshops with HRDA trainers and resource persons at the mundo-b training centre.

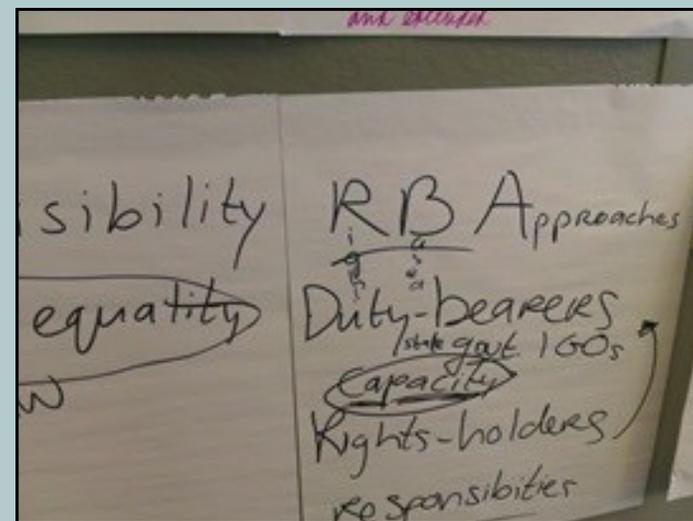
**Day 1:** Role of human rights defenders, access to information, freedom of assembly and expression, human rights standards and mechanisms

**Day 2:** Human rights advocacy, particularly aimed at EU institutions

**Day 3:** Human rights monitoring, fact-finding and reporting

**Day 4:** Personal security and protection, including modules on gender-specific risks.

**15h00-18h00:** Visits to EU institutions, including European Parliament, European Commission, and Brussels-based civil society organisations.



# HRDA 2014 Registration and Logistics



**Tuition cost:** €595 before 15 September 2014; €695 after 15 September. Registration is limited to 20 participants. **Final registration deadline: 15 October 2014.** There is a limited number of (partial) scholarships available.

**Where is the HRDA 2014?** Workshops take place at Mundo-B training centre in Brussels from 09h00-14h30 each day. In the afternoons, participants have the opportunity to visit EU institutions, including European Parliament, European Commission, and Brussels-based civil society organisations.

**Who should register?** Participants come from across the globe. Staff members of human rights organizations as well as individuals who do not align with traditional human rights work, such as journalists, lawyers, democracy and political activists, trade unionists, or those in institutions upholding human rights, such as law enforcement, the judiciary, or civil service, including staff of national human rights institutions—are encouraged to apply.

**What does tuition include?** Tuition includes the 4-day training programme, lunches and coffee breaks, a training pack with hard copies of the training materials, access to the HRDA 2014 virtual learning space and a certificate of completion.