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)
20 - 23 October 2015

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Programme Overview and Methodology

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, and human rights standards and mechanisms

**Day 2:** Human rights monitoring, fact-finding and reporting

**Day 3:** Human rights advocacy, particularly aimed at EU institutions

**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.

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 to learn about EU foreign policy, advocacy and funding opportunities to support human rights defenders. The training is based on a participatory, active learning approach, and has an emphasis on peer-to-peer learning.
HRDA 2015 Registration and Logistics

Tuition cost: US$ 545 before 15 June 2015; $ 645 after 15 June. Registration is limited to 20 participants. Final registration deadline: 20 October 2015. There is a limited number of (partial) scholarships available.

Where is the HRDA 2015? 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 meet with Brussels-based civil society organisations.

Who should register? Staff and volunteers of human rights organisations, representatives of national human rights institutions, other individuals working to promote and protect human rights through peaceful means, including journalists, lawyers, pro-democracy activists and trade unionists, as well as individuals responsible for upholding human rights, such as law enforcement and members of the judiciary and civil service.

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 2015 virtual learning space and a certificate of completion. Tuition does not include accommodation.