

# Human Rights Impact Assessment in Practice



Conference  
Thursday 23 – Friday 24 November 2006  
Zandvoort, The Netherlands

## Agenda

### Day One - Thursday 23 November 2006

- 09.00 – 10.00      Arrival and Registration
- 10.00 – 10.45      **Plenary Session**
- Welcome by the *Conference Chair, Frans Huijnen*, Board Member HOM
  - Introduction to the conference by *Marike Radstaake* – Programme Manager Human Rights Impact Assessment, HOM
  - Introduction of participants: speed dating
- 10.45 – 11:00      Coffee Break
- 11:00 – 12:00      **Plenary Session**
- Presentation of HOM's Human Rights Impact Resource Centre (HRIRC) by *John Lannon* (University of Limerick), one of the developers of the Resource Centre and *Jan de Vries*, Staff Member Human Rights Impact Assessment Programme, HOM.
- Focus on the development process of the Resource Centre, the way it works, results so far, possibilities for users and future plans. After the presentation there will opportunity for feedback and suggestions.
- 12.00 – 13.30      Lunch
- 13.30 – 17.30      **Parallel Workshops**
- The workshops on day one and two can be followed independently. This allows you to attend workshops on two different themes. A detailed description of the workshops is included in the Outlines of the Workshops.
- HRIA and Health Rights  
*Chair Renée Römkens* – Board Member HOM
  - Business and Human Rights  
*Chair Sune Skadegård Thorsen* – Lawhouse DK
  - HRIA and Human Rights Based Approach  
*Chair Ria Brouwers* – Board Member HOM
  - Approaches towards measuring human rights and strategy development  
*Chair Piet van Reenen* - Netherlands Institute of Human Rights

- 18.00 – 19.00      **Your Space - A Marketplace for HRIA**  
Do you have a particular initiative, case study, idea for an instrument or else? In *Your Space* you can present and discuss them in an informal setting. You are welcome to bring materials on a specific issue or project, such as brochures, hand-outs or a poster presentation.
- 19.30                      Dinner

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*Chair Margaret Wachenfield – UNICEF*
  - Open workshop  
Possibility to discuss a subject relevant to HRIA, which is not sufficiently addressed in the other workshops. HOM can provide facilities, including a meeting room.
- 12.30 – 14.00            Lunch
- 14.00 – 16.00            **Plenary Session** *Chair Frans Huijnen*
- Feedback from Workshops
  - Discussion of results and recommendations
  - Suggestions for follow up, including the opportunities provided by the Human Rights Impact Resource Centre
  - Closure by *Martha Meijer – Director of HOM*
- 16.00 – 17.00            Informal Gathering and Drinks