



**INTERNATIONAL LAW IN ADVOCACY  
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Session 4  
*Human Rights House*  
*Latako str. 3, Vilnius, Lithuania*  
16-18 2009

**PROGRAM**

16 October 2009, Friday

- 09.00 – 09.30 Opening session: welcome speech  
09.30 – 09.45 Opening session: program discussion  
09.45 – 11.30 Presentation of communications to the UN HRC on the freedom of peaceful assembly
- 11.30 – 11.50 *Coffee break*
- 11.50 – 12.20 Evaluation of homework on communications to UNHRC (Article 21 of ICCPR)  
12.20 – 13.00 Test
- 13.00 – 14.30 *Lunch*
- 14.30 – 16.00 Presentation of submissions to the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Belarus on Article 193-1 of the Belarusian Criminal Code
- 16.00 – 16.20 *Coffee break*
- 16.20 – 16.50 “Stop 193-1!” campaign. Evaluation of the participants' homework on submissions to the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Belarus  
16.50 – 17.00 Test results
- Human Rights Defense System of the Council of Europe*
- 17.00 – 17.30 Council of Europe: Structure and functioning  
17.30 – 18.15 Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms. Additional protocols
- 18.15 – 19.00 European Court of Human Rights: genesis, structure, functioning  
19.00 – 19.30 Summary of the day's results

Day 3: 17 October 2009, Saturday

- 09.00 – 09.15 The previous day summary  
*Freedom of expression and dissemination of information*
- 09.15 – 11.00 UNHRC views on freedom of expression in other countries
- 11.00 – 11.20 *Coffee break*
- 11.20 – 11.50 International norms related to freedom of expression  
Restrictions on freedom of expression and “restrictions of restrictions”  
11.50 – 12.20 Opinion, judgment, evaluation, fact  
12.20 – 13.00 Correlation and interrelation between freedom to impart information and public interest in receiving it (on the basis of decisions by UNHRC and ECHR)
- 13.00 – 14.30 *Lunch*

14.30 – 16.00 **Freedom of expression. Practical session**

16.00 – 16.20 *Coffee break*

**Freedom of expression in selected decisions of ECHR**

16.20 – 17.00

17.00 – 18.00 **Right to freedom of expression in Belarus: de jure и de facto**

18.00 – 18.45 **Overview of the UNHRC views on freedom of expression in Belarus. Implementation of the Committee's proposals by**

18.45 – 19.00 **Summary of the day's results**

**Day 4: 18 October 2009, Sunday**

09.00 – 09.15 Summary of the previous day

09.15 – 10.00 **Legal actions to defend HR: Strategic litigation**

10.00 – 12.30 **Planning and preparation of strategic litigations. Practical session**

12.30 – 13.30 Summary, session evaluation, session closing