UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON
HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER

The University of Dayton, a top-tier Catholic research university, has been a center of programming, education and dialogue on human rights for more than 20 years. The Human Rights Center promotes human dignity through research, education and dialogue. We are committed to addressing the gap between theory and practice, and between scholars and practitioners — through critical self-reflection of the strategies that drive communities dedicated to the advocacy and implementation of human rights.

We:

- promote communication and collaboration between human rights researchers and advocates.
- conduct critical research to advance the theory and practice of transformative human rights advocacy.
- prepare researchers of the future with the knowledge, skills and values to effect real change in the lives of the poor and persecuted.
- partner with NGOs, learning from them and providing them with analytical support to strengthen their capacity to respond to existing and emerging threats to human dignity.

BE PART OF THE GLOBAL ACTION

Our biennial conference provides a unique space for scholars, practitioners and advocates to engage in collaboration, dialogue and critical analysis of human rights advocacy — locally and globally.

The 2015 conference features:

- Research panels
- Roundtables
- Keynote addresses
- Sustainable development goals-focused plenaries

We hope you will join us in this endeavor! The early registration discount is available until July 31 at go.udayton.edu/hrc.

The University of Dayton, Human Rights Center
The United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda takes place Sept. 25 – 27, 2015, in New York City. Four days later, the University of Dayton Human Rights Center will convene The Social Practice of Human Rights — a conference to take stock of the human rights, environmental and development communities’ achievements over the past decade and plan advocacy strategies to advance the post-15 sustainable development goals.

Advocacy-oriented and action-driven, our conference is conducted in a spirit of critical introspection and constructive critique. As such, the University of Dayton’s 2015 conference will take a hard look at the actions the global community must take to honor its commitments to achieve a socially and environmentally sustainable future — the future we want.

Conference participants attend from NGOs, foundations, faith communities and higher education. Join us as we seek to forge alliances among diverse actors with the common vision to improve outcomes by contributing to a self-reflective and engaged community of human rights defenders.

“"This conference is an exciting opportunity to look at the practical lessons gleaned from the human rights movement and how both scholars and advocates can be more effective in advancing human rights.” — Jo Becker, Human Rights Watch, SPHR 2013

PARTICIPATING EXPERTS

César Rodríguez Garavito
International co-director and founder of DeJusticia in Colombia

Jane Sloane
Vice president of programs at Global Fund for Women

Tariq Banuri
Member of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

Ejim Dike
Executive director of the US Human Rights Network

Kate Donald
Director of the Human Rights in Development Program at the Center for Economic and Social Rights

David Schilling
Senior program director of the Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility

Katherine Gallagher
Senior staff attorney at the Center for Constitutional Rights

Richard Hiskes
Author of The Human Right to Green Future, Grand Valley State University

Jacqui Patterson
Director of NAACP Environmental and Climate Justice Program

Mona Chun
Executive director of the International Human Rights Funders Group

Jason Franklin
Former executive director of Bolder Giving

Matthew Hart
Founder and principle of the LaFayette Practice

Katy Love
Senior program officer of the Wikimedia Foundation

Diana Samarasan
Founding executive director of the Disability Rights Fund

For a full list of panelists and guests, visit go.udayton.edu/hrc.

REGISTER TODAY

The Social Practice of Human Rights conference will take place October 1-3, 2015, at the 1700 S. Patterson Building on the University of Dayton’s River Campus.

Registration for the weekend is $300 and includes all conference materials and scheduled shuttle transportation to and from the conference hotels (a range of lodging options is available). We are also offering an early registration discount until July 31, 2015.

Questions? Contact us at hrc@udayton.edu.

Register today at go.udayton.edu/hrc.