



**International scientific and practical conference “The Right to Strike,
Protection against Harassment and Freedom of Association: Public and
Scientific Challenges in a Global and Local Perspective”**

**Schedule (tbc)
20 November 2023**

Blended format

In-person: EHU campus (17 Saviciaus Str., Vilnius), 303 auditorium

Online: Zoom

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Languages: Belarusian, Russian, English

13:00 – 13:30

Welcoming coffee

13:30 – 13:40

Opening speech

- Dr. Krzysztof Rybinski, EHU Rector (in-person)
- Dr. Liudmila Ulyashyna, Head of the Center for Constitutionalism and Human Rights (in-person)
- Maryia Zharylouskaya, Coordinator of Academic Department of Social Sciences, PhD Candidate in Law (in-person)

13:40 – 13:50

Opening of exhibition

13:50 – 16:00

Panel 1. Freedom of association and workers' associations in Belarus and for Belarus

Moderator: Dr. Aliaksandr Kalbaska, professor, European Humanities University

13:50 – 14:00

Dr. Liudmila Ulyashina (in-person)

Report: “Freedom of association and the right to join trade unions in Belarus”

14:00-14:15

Julia Ostrovskaja, human rights lawyer, politologist (online)

Report: “The issue of harassment in higher education in light of International Labour Organization (ILO) Convention № 190 on the Elimination of Violence and Harassment in the World of Work, and the role of trade unions”

14:15-14:30

Laura Matjosaityte, Attorney at Law, Labour Law Committee member of the Lithuanian Bar Association, lecturer at Kazimieras Simonavičius University (in-person)

Report: "Freedom of Associations in Lithuania"

14:30-14:45

Vytautas Valentiniavičius, PhD candidate in political science, EHU lecturer, KTU junior researcher, the Head of the Human Rights Division of the Seimas Ombudsperson's Office* (in-person)

* Dzmitry Hlotau, Gleb Timoshenko, BA "World Politics and Economics", 1st year students, contributed to the report

Report: "Exercising the Right to Associate: A Thorn in the Side of Politicians and Employers"

14:45-15:00

Ksenia Maliukova, activist, researcher, feminist

Report: topic tbc

15:00-15:15

Monika Antanaitytė, lawyer, project manager, Lithuanian Gay League (in-person)
15:15-15:30

Report: "Harassment issues through LGBTI lens"

Discussion on Panel 1

15:30-16:00

16:00 – 16:20

Coffee break

16:20 – 17:50

Panel 2. Rights of workers and human rights: national law and international standards

Moderator: Dr. Frank Hoffer, Non Executive Director, Global Labour University (in-person)

Oksana Wolfson, Head of Freedom of Association Unit, the International Labour Organisation (online)

Report: "The ILO: International Standards of the freedom of association and mechanisms of protection"

16:20 – 16:35

Maksim Pazniakou, acting head of Belarusian Congress of Democratic Trade Unions (in-person)

Report: "The state of implementation of freedom of association of workers in Belarus: historical perspective and modern realities"

16:35 – 16:50

Yury Ravavoi, co founder of workers' association "Rabochy Ruch" (in-person)

Report: “National strike: Belarus 2020 case”

16:50 – 17:05

Yanina Unnli, Advisor - Russia, Eastern- and Central Europe, Landsorganisasjonen i Norge (in-person)

Report: “Freedom of association as such and in universities: international standards and Norwegian experience”

17:05 – 17:20

Discussion on Panel 2

17:20-17:50

17:50 – 18:30

General discussion on EHU role for civic society education, defence of human rights in relation to the freedom of association and trade unions’ rights

Moderator: Dr. Liudmila Ulyashina

18:30 – 19:00

Closing remarks

Dr. Liudmila Ulyashina

Maryia Zharylouskaya

Maksim Pazniakou