

# Human Security Focus

## of the European Training and Research Centre for Human Rights and Democracy (ETC) Graz and the Institute of International Law and International Relations of the University of Graz

Since 2000, and in particular since 2003, a research, training and publication focus on human security has been developed at the ETC Graz and the Institute of International Law and International Relations of the University of Graz.

The research and training activities developed out of the support work completed for the Human Security Network of which Austria is a member and which had its ministerial conference under the Austrian chairmanship in Graz in 2003. The ETC also contributed actively to the drafting of the **Graz Declaration on Principles of Human Rights Education and Human Security** which was adopted by the conference. But already in 2000, the ETC had hosted a workshop on the relationship between human rights, human security and human development.

In 2003, the ETC elaborated a **Manual on Human Rights Education** with a particular focus on the relationship between human rights and human security, which has been translated into **15 languages**. Since that time the relationship between human rights and human security has been a focus of the work of the research teams both at the University of Graz and at the ETC Graz. The successful work is reflected in several publications (see below). Other areas of research include human security and international law, human security in post-conflict situations, human security and the prevention of terrorism, human security as personal security, human security and development etc.

### I. The Human Security Team

A team of presently six scholars are actively involved in human security research. These are:

- **Prof. Wolfgang Benedek**, head of the Institute of International Law and International Relations, University of Graz and director of the ETC Graz
- **Dr. Gerd Oberleitner**, Institute of International Law and International Relations, University of Graz/ETC Graz
- **Dr. Ursula Werther-Pietsch**, Institute of International Law and International Relations, University of Graz/Federal Ministry of Foreign and International Affairs, Vienna
- **Dr. Matthias C. Kettemann**, Institute of International Law and International Relations, University of Graz
- **Markus Möstl**, ETC Graz
- **Veronika Apostolovski**, ETC Graz

## II. Human Security Research

Presently, the human security focus is based on several projects, programmes and research components:

- a human security research component to the FP 6 project on “**Human Security in the Western Balkans**: The relationship between organised crime and terrorism and its effects on civil society and the state in the region (HUMSEC)” at the ETC Graz;
- the project: “**The Future of Security**: the influence of the concept of human security on international law and European security policy with special emphasis on the relationship between human security and human rights”, supported by the research fund of the Austrian National Bank at the Institute of International Law ;
- the “**Student Exchange Programme in Human Security (SEPHS)**” which enjoys funding from the European Commission’s Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) in the framework of the EU-CANADA Programme for Cooperation in Higher Education, Training and Youth;
- a contribution to the EU Cost 28 project on “**Human Security and Crises Management by EU**”;
- the development of the third edition of the **Manual on Human Rights Education** (Wolfgang Benedek (ed.), Understanding Human Rights, Manual on Human Rights Education, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., Neuer Wissenschaftlicher Verlag, Vienna, Intersentia, Antwerp, 2012);
- participation in **research programmes** of other institutions, such as a **UNESCO** investigation into the concept and implications of human security, to which Wolfgang Benedek contributed a study on human security and human rights;
- an assessment, in 2007, of the relevance of the concept of human security for the **OSCE** (Oberleitner);
- the participation, by the ETC, in the project “**Multi-stakeholder Partnerships in Post-Conflict Reconstruction: The Role of the European Union**” (MULTIPART). In the Multipart project consortium under the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework programme, the ETC had the main responsibility for drafting a part on human security as a framework of analysis for the research into multi-stakeholder partnerships in post-conflict situations;
- participation as a trainer in the **Peacebuilding Courses** of the European Security and Defence College at the Austrian Peace Center Burg Schlaining (Werther-Pietsch);
- regular teaching activities at the Austrian PfP Training Centre Garrison Götzendorf on the subject of **civil-military cooperation** (3C approach) (Werther-Pietsch).

## III. Teaching and Training Activities

All these activities have led to a particular competence in the field of human security, which has been reflected in training programmes, in particular the yearly **Summer Academy on Human Security and Human Rights**, organised by the ETC 2003-2010. The ETC regularly publishes a peer-reviewed electronic journal called **Human Security Perspectives** and the **HUMSEC Journal**.

Professor Benedek und Dr. Oberleitner also contribute to the EU-funded European Regional Master Programme in Human Rights and Democratisation (EIUC Venice) by

regularly teaching classes on human rights and human security, while Dr. Oberleitner also teaches human security at Science Po in Paris.

In the academic years 2008-2010 further teaching activities on human security were developed for the **Student Exchange Programme in Human Security (SEPHS)**, which created an opportunity for Canadian and European undergraduate students from six universities to deepen their knowledge and sensibility in the field of human security through a transatlantic mobility programme.

Since 2011, Prof. Benedek offers a yearly course on human security in international law and international relations at the University of Graz.

The research focus is developed further through past and ongoing diploma theses and doctoral dissertations:

- Hauthaler, Nathan, The Responsibility to Protect in International Law – A Shift in the Intervention Debate? (diploma thesis)
- Hussien, Mohammud A., Collective Intervention and Regional Enforcement Action in Africa: Challenges and Prospects of the AU System of Peace and Security (doctoral dissertation)
- Kopetz, Clemens, Die Anwendbarkeit von humanitärem Völkerrecht auf nicht-internationale Konflikte unter dem Gesichtspunkt der menschlichen Sicherheit (diploma thesis)
- Kettemann, Matthias C., Revisiting the Interposition of States Between Individuals and International Law (doctoral dissertation)
- Mamoucha, Sofia, Operationalising human security in terms of the European Security and Defense Policy: The case of EULEX Kosovo (Master thesis)
- Möstl, Markus, Das Konzept der menschlichen Sicherheit in der Europäischen Sicherheits- und Verteidigungspolitik (doctoral dissertation)
- Skasa Albin, Die Intervention von Drittstaaten im internen bewaffneten Konflikt und ihre Auswirkungen (diploma thesis)
- Jovanovic, Sinisa, Contemporary Law of Occupation. The Development of the Law of Occupation and the Obligation to Restore and Ensure “L’ordre et la Vie Public” with Special Reference to the Occupation of Iraq” (diploma thesis)
- Ablasser, Christine, Die völkerrechtlichen Maßnahmen zum Schutz von Frauen vor Gewalt in bewaffneten Konflikten (diploma thesis)
- Konrad, Corinna, The Human Security Concept of Japan (diploma thesis)
- Zwitter, Andrej, Prevention of Terrorism: A Human Security Approach (doctoral dissertation)

#### **IV. Publications**

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