

Despite notable progress on issues of gender and human rights in standard-setting and development of international and domestic legislation, many challenges remain. Maleiha Malik, Professor in Law at King's College London, will explore key contemporary issues on gender equality.

Professor Maleiha Malik studied law at the University of London and University of Oxford. She is a barrister and a member of the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn. Maleiha Malik's research focuses on the theory and practice of discrimination law. She has written extensively on discrimination law, minority protection and feminist theory. She is the co-author of a leading text titled 'Discrimination Law: Theory and Practice' which was published in 2008. She is, along with Dr Jon Wilson from the Department of History at KCL, the co-ordinator of the AHRC project on 'Traditions in the Present' which explores the relevance of 'tradition' in contemporary societies. Maleiha Malik's current research focuses on the intersection between sexual and cultural equality, and it explores the adjustments that may need to be made to feminist theory to accommodate increasing cultural pluralism. She teaches courses in Jurisprudence and Legal Theory, Discrimination Law and European Law to undergraduate and postgraduate students.

Isabelle Rorive, prof. at the Law Faculty of the ULB and Director of the Perelman Centre for Legal Philosophy, is in charge of the scientific organisation of the Suzanne Tassier Chair 2013-2014.

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with

Prof. Maleiha Malik
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SUZANNE TASSIER CHAIR PROGRAMME 2013 PROF. MALEIHA MALIK

Tuesday 10 December 2013 - 18h>19h30

Inaugural Conference: *Why Gender Matters in Human Rights Law?*

Opening: •University Authorities

•Prof. Jean Jacquain, Academic Secretary of

the Law Faculty and Vice-president of the Council for Equal Opportunities between Men and Women.

Campus Solbosch (SBS-EM - R42.5.503)

Wednesday 11 December 2013 - 13h>16h

Gender at the Heart of Multiple Discrimination

Campus Solbosch (Institute for European Studies, auditorium Spaak)

Thursday 12 December 2013 - 8h30>10h

Gender Equality and the Veil in a Comparative Perspective (1)

Campus Solbosch (H.1302)

Thursday 12 December 2013 - 14h>16h

Gender Equality and the Veil in a Comparative Perspective (2)

Campus Solbosch (H.1309)

SUZANNE TASSIER CHAIR PROGRAMME 2014 PROF. MALEIHA MALIK

Tuesday 18 March 2014 - 13h>16h

Freedom of Religion and Gender: Conflict or Cohesion?

Location to be announced on the website of the Perelman Centre (www.philodroit.be)

Wednesday 19 March 2014 - 14h>16h

Comparing Legal Cultures

Location to be announced on the website of the Perelman Centre (www.philodroit.be)

Thursday 20 March 2014 - 13h>16h

Feminist Theory and Cultural Pluralism

Doctoral seminar of the « Human Rights Integration » research network (IAP)

Location to be announced on the website of the Perelman Centre (www.philodroit.be)

ABOUT SUZANNE TASSIER

The Law Faculty of the Université libre de Bruxelles nominated professor Malik for the Suzanne Tassier Chair 2013-2014. Suzanne Tassier was the first woman at the ULB to obtain the certificate allowing teaching activities in higher education (Agrégation de l'Enseignement Supérieur). She became a professor of modern history at the ULB in 1945. After a study journey in the United States, Suzanne Tassier expressed her feminist convictions with a strong focus on the importance of the work of women, becoming a role model for many young female students. The Suzanne Tassier Chair was created in 1961 in order to invite external renowned feminist professors to teach at the ULB about the “working conditions of women” or to help the development of research on “Gender studies”.

The cycle of lectures on Gender and Human Rights is part of the broader research project “The Global Challenge of Human Rights Integration: Towards a Users’ Perspective” (HRI) which aims to study human rights law as an integrated whole from a users’ perspective. HRI is an Interuniversity Attraction Pole (IAP) funded by the Belgian Science Policy Office (BELSPO). It involves six universities: Universiteit Gent (prof. E. Brems, coordinator), Université libre de Bruxelles (profs. E. Bribosia and I. Rorive), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (prof. P. De Hert), Universiteit Antwerpen (prof. K. De Feyter), Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles (prof. S. Van Drooghenbroeck) & Universiteit Utrecht (prof. B. Oomen). Read more about the project on www.hrintegration.be