



CENTER FOR EDUCATION LAW

Expert seminar “Linguistic Rights in Education”

October 4, 2017

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| 10.00 – 10.10 | Opening speech by Prof. Jan De Groof |
| 10.10 – 10.55 | Lecture “How to solve conflicts in language politics? – Federalism, Autonomy, Pluralism, Identity, Access and Inclusion” by Prof. Ingo Richter |
| 10.55 – 11.15 | Discussant presentation by Anita Soboleva, PhD in Law, Associate Professor at the Dept. of Theory of Law and Comparative Law of the Faculty of Law, HSE University (Russia) |
| 11.15 – 11.45 | Discussion |
| 11:45 – 12:15 | Coffee break |
| 12:15 – 15:30 | Expert seminar “Linguistic Rights in education” |

Place of the event: Moscow, 16/10 Potapovsky Pereulok, office 309

List of participants:

Prof. Jan de Groof, Academic supervisor of the Center for Education Law, Institute of Education, HSE University, Professor at the ‘College of Europe’ in Bruges (Belgium) and the University of Tilburg, President of the European Association for Education Law and Policy (Belgium)

Dr Szymon Jankiewicz, Director of the Center for Education Law, Institute of Education, HSE University (Russia)

Azat Badranov, member of the Council for Nationalities under the Government of Moscow; chairman of the Association of students of Bashkortostan in Moscow and St. Petersburg (Russia)

Prof. Raisa Dyakieva, Professor at the Kalmyk Literature and Folklore Department of the Kalmyk State University (Russia)

Nadezhda Knyaginina, Junior research fellow of the Center for Education Law, Institute of Education, HSE University (Russia)

Dr Vitaly Matveev, Head of the Laboratory for Education Law of Moscow City University (Russia)

Prof. Alexey Mayorov, Deputy head of the Apparatus of the Committee of the State Duma of the Russian Federation for Education and Science (Russia)

Prof. Pablo Meix Cereceda, Professor at the Law School of Albacete (University of Castilla-La Mancha, Spain) and on International Human Rights Law at the National School of the Judiciary of the Dominican Republic (Spain)

Dr Federica Prina, Research Associate (Central and East European Studies), School of Social & Political Sciences, University of Glasgow (UK)

Dr Natalia Putilo, Head of the Dept. of Social Legislation of the Institute of Legislation and Comparative Law under the Government of the Russian Federation (Russia)

Prof. Ingo Richter, Honorary Professor at the University of Tuebingen and Paris Nanterre University, Chairman of the Irmgard-Coninx-Foundation (Germany)

Irina Rönnqvist, master of psychology, official at Sweden's Public Employment Agency (Sweden)

Dr Artemy Rozhkov, vice-rector of Moscow City University (Russia)

Dr Maria Smirnova, LL.M, PhD, Associate Human Rights Officer, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Human Rights Council Branch; senior research fellow of the Center for Education Law, Institute of Education, HSE University (Russia)

Dr Anita Soboleva, Associate Professor at the Dept. of Theory of Law and Comparative Law of the Faculty of Law, HSE University (Russia)

Topics for discussion:

- How significant are linguistic rights? Linguistic rights and minority issues. How are linguistic rights included in the legal framework? What are the differences subjects of the Russian Federation?
- What are the consequences of a violation of linguistic rights?
- Jurisprudence (Constitutional Court, Supreme Court and other courts) on linguistic rights.
- Why is studying the language of the titular nation obligatory for all citizens?
- In what language(s) should education in public and private schools be provided? Why?
- How are linguistic rights provided in educational sphere (curriculum, assessment of students, teacher training, quality control, textbooks, and academic mobility) in Russia and in the other countries? Is the regulation of linguistic rights equal and sufficient in the different subjects of the Russian Federation?
- What does “within the capabilities of the education system” (Education Law Act, Russia) mean? Who sets these capabilities? How should it be regulated?

- Who and why is fighting for linguistic rights in Russia and other countries? What are the conflicts?
- What changes are required in this area?