



Strategies for realising social economic rights in practice: Multi-disciplinary experiences from early career researchers - A workshop

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Socio-economic rights are extensive. They cover the right to food, water, education, housing, and an all-encompassing right of 'adequate standard of living.' However, by their very nature they are ambiguous; instinctively, we want to ask how much, of what quality, which groups should we prioritise?

The workshop aims to explore some fundamental questions raised by these rights.

1. *Should social economic rights be considered human rights at all?*
2. *How helpful is the international legal framework in enabling the achievement of these rights?*
3. *How do we measure social economic rights in practice?*
4. *What lessons can we learn from practitioners in our pursuit of achieving social economic rights?*

This by no means a conclusive list and participants may want to pose other questions.

The Human Rights Centre in Practice and The Institute of Advanced Studies are organising a one-day workshop in order to hear from the many early career researchers who are working on how to realise socio-economic rights in practice. The aim of this research is to give late PhDs and early career researchers from within and outside Warwick University an opportunity to share their perspective on how they perceive that these rights could be attained in practice. The workshop encourages papers from a wide range of disciplines including medicine, education, political science, economics, health studies, philosophy, anthropology and linguistics. Many of these disciplines have their perspectives on how best to achieve these rights, but this workshop will provide a forum for hearing different solutions from those areas. The workshop will focus on three key socio economic rights: **water**, **health** and **education**.

The workshop does not require a full paper. All we require at the moment is 100 words expressing your scholarly perspective on any of these rights.

Closing Date: 30 October 2012.

The Institute of Advanced Studies will cover all reasonable expenses for participants.

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