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cordially invite you to a symposium discussing

The International Migrants' Bill of Rights

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The GEORGETOWN IMMIGRATION LAW JOURNAL has invited leading scholars in the fields of immigration, international, and international human rights law to write an article and participate in a discussion on the International Migrants Bill of Rights (IMBR), the result of a two-year collaboration between students at the American University in Cairo, Georgetown University Law Center, and Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The IMBR is a dynamic blueprint for the protection of the rights of migrants drawing from all areas of international law. It posits a group of rights that are “universal, interdependent and interrelated” and that populate the continuum from hard to hortatory. There is no single legal framework that unequivocally – and effectively – protects the rights of all migrants, and the IMBR takes up this challenge. Accompanying commentaries trace the development, content and consequences of each right. The IMBR and commentaries will serve as a tool for migrants and civil society as well as a resource for legislators, policymakers and courts as they seek to respect, protect and promote the rights of migrants. In contributing to both a conversation and a movement, the drafters hope that the IMBR will help secure a global legal architecture for all migrants, on the basis of their humanity and dignity.

The format of the symposium will consist of the presentation of papers by invited authors followed by a conversation involving the student drafters and distinguished discussants, as well as the publication of the IMBR, commentaries and articles in a special symposium issue of the GEORGETOWN IMMIGRATION LAW JOURNAL.

Kindly register online at <https://www.law.georgetown.edu/forms/form.cfm?FormID=547>.

- 9:15 am** **Welcome**
- 9:30 am** **Panel 1: Defining and Protecting Migrants in International Human Rights Law**
Ryszard Cholewinski, Senior Migration Policy and Research Specialist, International Organization for Migration
Avinoam Cohen, PhD Candidate and Zvi Meitar Fellow, Tel Aviv University; IMBR Workshop Director, Minerva Center for Human Rights, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Yuval Shany, Hersch Lauterpacht Chair in Public International Law and Academic Director, Minerva Center for Human Rights, Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Visiting Professor of Law, Columbia Law School
- 10:45 am** **Coffee Break**
- 11:00 am** **Panel 2: Vulnerable Migrants, Families, and Children**
Alexander Betts*, Hedley Bull Research Fellow in International Relations, University of Oxford
Jorge Bustamante, Eugene Conley Professor of Sociology, University of Notre Dame; United Nations Special Rapporteur for the Human Rights of Migrants
Ryan Mrazik, Associate, Perkins Coie and **Andrew Schoenholtz**, Visiting Professor of Law; Director, Center for Applied Legal Studies; Deputy Director, Georgetown University Institute for the Study of International Migration
Paul Schmidt⁺, Immigration Judge, Arlington Immigration Court, Executive Office for Immigration Review, United States Department of Justice
- 12:15 pm** **Lunch**
- 12:45 pm** **Panel 3: Detention and Removal**
Mark Fleming, Staff Attorney, Rapporteurship on the Rights of Migrant Workers and their Families, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
Elisa Massimino, President and Chief Executive Officer, Human Rights First
- 2:00 pm** **Coffee Break**
- 2:15 pm** **Panel 4: Migration Policy and Equal Protection**
Tomer Brode, Academic Director, Minerva Center for Human Rights; Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law and Department of International Relations, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Justin Gest, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Migration Studies Unit, London School of Economics
Marc Morjé Howard, Associate Professor of Government, Georgetown University
Gerald Neuman, J. Sinclair Armstrong Professor of International, Foreign, and Comparative Law, Harvard Law School
- 3:30 pm** **Where to go from here: The future of the International Migrants' Bill of Rights**
- 4:30 pm** **Reception**

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