2020 Annual Conference of the GHRP
Connectivity between regional and
global human rights mechanisms

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CONCEPT NOTE
PLENARY PANEL 2

Complaints handling by regional and
global human rights mechanisms –
procedural and substantive questions

Maison de la Paix (Pétale 5), Thursday 15 October 2020,
11:30 – 13:00
Individual Communications are a crucial entry point to the human rights mechanisms for victims of human rights violations. If working well, they can provide concrete remedy where the national judicial systems were unable or unwilling to do so. This session will focus on three aspects of Individual Communications: (1) substantive cohesion/cross-fertilization/contradictions: exploring the extent to which different human rights mechanisms, whose work is based on similar human rights provisions, should strive for universal interpretation; (2) methodologies and procedures, lessons learned on how to tackle backlog and case management systems; (3) victims’ perspectives/strategic litigation.

PANELISTS
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PARTNERS
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