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Formation and Progress

2017

- AA started with international conference and workshop in Seoul
- Conference and Workshop served as the first of a series of targeted training events



2018

- Established training platform at DC-Cam in Pnomh Penh
- Issue Focus: Drug war killings in the Philippines



2019

- Established Balkan training platform with the Geoffrey Nice Foundation in Dubrovnik
- Theme Focus: Mapping mass atrocities
- Project lifetime total of work with 32 individuals and groups
- Formed the strategic advisors



2017 Conference and Workshops in Seoul

1

Forensic Science

Stefan Schmitt

2

Information Technology

Friedhelm Weinberg

3

The Law

Dr. Nevenka Tromp

4

Human Rights Documentation and Data Analysis

Dr. Patrick Ball

2017 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP FOR PRACTITIONERS

JULY 25-27

Objective: to facilitate knowledge-sharing between human rights documentation practitioners and invited experts in the fields of law, information technology, data analysis and forensic science.

Invited Experts and Trainers:

- O-Gon Kwon (Former Vice President of the ICTY)
- Nevenka Tromp (Executive Director, Geoffrey Nice Foundation)
<https://www.geoffreynicefoundation.com/>
- Patrick Ball (Director of Research, Human Rights Data Analysis Group) hrdag.org
- Youk Chhang (Executive Director, Documentation Center of Cambodia) www.d.dccam.org
- Stefan Schmitt (Former Director of International Forensic Program, Physicians for Human Rights)
- Friedhelm Weinberg (Executive Director, HURIDOCs)
<https://www.huridocs.org/>
- Hyeong-sik Yoo (Former Project Manager for Asia, HURIDOCs)

Invited Trainees:

- Asia Justice and Rights (AJAR), Indonesia <https://asia-ajar.org/>
- Consortium Bangsamoro Civil Society, the Philippines <https://pia.gov.ph/>
- Cross Cultural Foundation (CrCF), Thailand <https://www.peaceinsight.org/conflicts/thailand/peacebuilding-organisations/crcf/>
- Centre for Human Rights and Development, Sri Lanka <https://srilankachrd.org/>
- Justice for Iran, UK <https://justice4iran.org>
- Free Society Project, Inc., USA <https://cubaarchive.org/free-society-project/>
- Documenta, Croatia <https://www.documenta.hr/en/home.html>
- Dejustica, Colombia <https://www.dejusticia.org/en/>
- Yazda, USA <https://www.yazda.org/>
- Citizens' Alliance for North Korea (NKHR), South Korea
- Justice for North Korea, South Korea
- North Korea Strategy Center (NKSC), South Korea
- 1969 KAL Abductees' Families, South Korea
- Improving North Korean Human Rights Center, South Korea
- Now, Action & Unity for Human Rights! (NAUH), South Korea <http://nauh.or.kr/>
- Teach North Korean Refugees Global Education Center (TNKR), South Korea

2017 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP FOR PRACTITIONERS

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The geographical diversity of the groups represented brought many unique insights drawn from the contexts they operate in. The workshop provided a safe space in which participants could exchange their experience and expertise, reflecting on their existing activities and ways to improve their operating procedures with newly learned tools methods.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TRAINING

Friedhelm Weinberg from HURIDOCS led a training on data management tools and data security



L-R: Hyeong-sik Yoo and Friedhelm Weinberg



L-R: Ethan Shin, Nevenka Tromp and Patrick Ball

HUMAN RIGHTS DOCUMENTATION METHODS

Ethan Shin, Nevenka Tromp and Patrick Ball discussing human rights documentation in the use of international tribunal courts



2018 Training in Pnomh Penh

1

Human Rights Documentation Methods

Nina Atallah

2

Digital Security

Christina Lopez

3

Civil Society Engagement with International Tribunal Court

Nicholas Koumjian

4

Documentation Strategy Planning

Youk Chhang

2018 HUMAN RIGHTS DOCUMENTATION TRAINING WORKSHOP

JUNE 18-22



Invited Trainees:

- Commission of Human Rights
- Nightwatch
- Lente <https://lenteonline.wordpress.com/about/>
- BALAOD Mindanaw balaodmindanaw.org

Invited Experts and Trainers



YOUK CHHANG
Executive Director, DC-Cam



NICHOLAS KOUMJIAN
International Prosecutor of Office
of the Co-Prosecutors, ECCC



NINA ATALLA
Freelance documenter



CHRISTINA LOPEZ
Foundation for Media Alternatives

DOCUMENTATION STRATEGY PLANNING

Youk Chhang explained how to sustain documentation work in a changing local and international political environment, how that work can be used in the transitional justice contexts of criminal justice and memorialization.



DIGITAL SECURITY TRAINING

Christina Lopez led activists through threat modelling activities, which led the activists to understand where to prioritize efforts and how to identify relevant solutions.



Christina Lopez leading digital security training



2019 Masterclass and Training Workshop in Dubrovnik

1

Geospatial Mapping in Human Rights Documentation

Dr. Arthur Green

2

Data Management

Matthew Vennemeyer

3

Transitional Justice in Yugoslavia

Dr. Nevenka Tromp

2019 MASTERCLASS AND TECHNICAL WORKSHOP JULY 1-13



The theme for 2019's event is "Mapping, Documenting and Prosecuting Mass Atrocities". Invited human rights documentation groups presented their case studies: Cambodia, Ex-Yugoslavia, Myanmar, Iran, North Korea and Vietnam. TJWG gave three presentations over the course of the Masterclass to the assembled group of 35 participants consisted of law students, human rights activists and practitioners. Not only invited human rights documentation groups but also TJWG staff increased the knowledge of various case studies and learned the lessons of Yugoslavia which went through transition period and have dealt with problems related to it.

Invited Trainers

- Arthur Green (University of British Columbia)
<http://greengeographer.com/>
- Matt Vennemeyer (the International Committee of the Red Cross in Azerbaijan)
- Nevenka Tromp (Executive Director, Geoffrey Nice Foundation) <https://www.geoffreynicefoundation.com/>

2019 MASTERCLASS AND TECHNICAL WORKSHOP JULY 1-13



Invited Trainees

- Justice for Iran (JFI) <http://justice4iran.org/>
- Burma Human Rights Network <http://www.bhrn.org.uk/>
- The 88 Project <https://the88project.org/>
- Rohingya Human Rights Network www.rohingya.net



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Satellite Imagery for Human Rights Monitoring

Training for Transitional Justice Working Group

2019 December


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3 Simple Rules for Survey Design: Interview Questions

by Haley Joy Herbig | May 10, 2018 | Documentation




One of the most difficult steps when interviewing in human rights is designing the right questions for the demographic or sample pool you are targeting. Lack of clarity, over-complicated questions, a confusing answer key or questions which create discomfort for the respondent can undermine your research. This article looks at three key rules for getting your survey right.

Step 1: Decide whether the survey should be quantitative or qualitative



Whether you go for a quantitative or qualitative study will determine the types of questions that will be asked.



Qualitative research aims to obtain an understanding of the detailed reasons, opinions, and/or motivations around a particular issue. It elicits statements, explanations and examples that can be used by your organization to understand an issue in depth. However, due to the time and resources required for each interview, the total number of respondents is usually fewer.

Quantitative research is the opposite. Instead of focusing on the detailed opinions of the sample pool, the focus is on generating numerical data or data that can be used in statistical analysis. It is useful when human rights organizations want to gather larger-scale, representative statistics, which often appeal to advocacy and campaign materials aimed at the media, government bodies, larger advocacy organizations and the United Nations. Due to the efficiency of gathering quantitative data, the sample pool can often be larger.

Further explanation of both can be found [here](#).

Step 2: Choose a survey method that will ensure the best results for your sample pool

If the survey/interview is in-person then you need to take into account how the questions will sound aloud. Some questions can come across as adversarial or insensitive when said aloud compared to when written on paper. In situations where participants have been [victims of trauma](#), questioning can provoke flashbacks or confused responses, and the interviewer should be trained to deal with such cases appropriately.

In the case of paper or internet surveys and interviews, make sure you understand the language being used as well as any important cultural nuances when designing questions. For example, if the survey/interview is written in Korean, then it is

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Informed Consent Checklist for Human Rights Documentation

by Access Accountability | Aug 5, 2019 | Documentation, Video

This is a 6 minute video on Informed consent checklist for human rights documentation. You can read the article for this video [here](#).



Digital Security Checklist for Human Rights Defenders

by Access Accountability | Feb 25, 2019 | Digital Security, Video

Human Rights Documentation Methods (Part 1)

by Access Accountability | Feb 25, 2019 | Documentation, Video

"Human Rights Documentation Methods" was recorded on 25 July 2017. This was the second session of the conference titled Amassing Evidence: Applying Information Technology and Forensic Science in Human Rights Documentation, held in Seoul, South Korea.

Human Rights Crime Investigation: Evidence and Forensic Science

by Access Accountability | Feb 25, 2019 | Documentation, Video

"Human Rights and Forensic Science" was recorded on 25 July 2017. This was the third session of the conference titled Amassing Evidence: Applying Information Technology and Forensic Science in Human Rights Documentation, held in Seoul, South Korea.

Human Rights Documentation Methods (Part 2)

by Access Accountability | Feb 5, 2019 | Documentation, Video

"Human Rights Documentation Methods" was recorded on 25 July 2017. This was the second session of the conference titled Amassing Evidence: Applying Information Technology and Forensic Science in Human Rights Documentation, held in Seoul, South Korea.

Human Rights and Law

by Access Accountability | Feb 5, 2019 | Law, Video

"Human Rights and the Law" was recorded on 25 July 2017. This was the first session of a conference titled Amassing Evidence: Applying Information Technology and Forensic Science in Human Rights Documentation, in Seoul, South Korea. The event involved human rights...

