**COURSE   
‘BUSINESS AND NATURAL RESOURCES RIGHTS’**

**SESSION 1**

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| **Session title** | **A starting point: conceptualising rights to land, natural resources, food, water, housing, health and clean environment and international regulation of these rights** |
| Type of the session | Lecture |

**SESSION ABSTRACT**

The purpose of the session is to provide a comprehensive introduction into the topics that will be covered during the course.

**SESSION READINGS**

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| **Mandatory** |
| Land and Human Rights: Standards and Application, ‘Status of Land under International Law’ (United Nations OHCHR, 2015), pp.3-6. |
| International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, Article 1. |
| United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Peasants and Other People Working in Rural Areas, Article 17. |
| Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, General Comment No. 12: The Right to Adequate Food (Art. 11). |
| Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, General Comment No. 4: The Right to Adequate Housing (Art. 11 (1)) |
| **Optional & recommended** |
| Sofia Monsalve Suárez, The right to land and other natural resources in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Peasants and other People Working In Rural Areas, FIAN International Briefing, December 2015. |