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# Human Rights in Times of War

## The role of the Council of Europe

Sassoli Room, Piazza Venezia, Rome

14-17 September 2026

The Summer School "**Human Rights in times of war**" (14-17 September 2026) is promoted by OCEAN, CESPI and the University of Trento and aims to offer a one-week advanced training school focused on the **role of the Council of Europe, its Conventions and mechanisms in the current situation of wars and conflicts.**

The school is open to **postgraduate students**, including **Master's and PhD students, post-doctoral researchers**, early career scholars, and practitioners such as lawyers, judges and civil servants interested in the law of the Council of Europe, human rights, the rule of law and democracy.

Its goal is to gather a **community of international students** interested in exploring topics related to human rights and their international protection in preparation for their theses, dissertations, research projects or professional career.

The school will provide them with **lectures in the mornings and seminar discussions of ongoing projects in the afternoons**, led by a group of internationally renowned professors and experts.

Each morning will feature **two/three lectures**, while the afternoons will be dedicated to the **presentation and the discussion of papers** by the participants.

Classes and presentations will be conducted in **English**.

## Participation fees and costs

**No participation fee** will be charged. Please note that the organization **does not provide scholarships**.

## Travel and accommodation information

Participants are responsible for arranging travel to and from Rome, as well as local transportation and accommodation.

A preliminary non-binding option has been arranged until early July, with a possible extension until late July, at the **Suore Oblate Divino Amore, Via Marruvio 4, San Giovanni, Rome**. The option currently concerns **8 single rooms and 7 double rooms** which may be used as single rooms, at the rate of EUR 56 per night for the period 13–18 September 2026. Participants should **refer to the booking under “CeSPI – Centro Studi di Politica Internazionale”**.

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A second possible option is the **Casa per ferie Suore di Santa Elisabetta, near Santa Maria Maggiore**. At present, no pre-booking has been made by the organisers, as advance payment is required. The indicated rates are EUR 55 per night for a single room with private bathroom and breakfast included, and EUR 75 per night for a double room with private bathroom and breakfast included.

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## Visas

The organisers **cannot provide individual visa assistance**. Accepted participants may request a letter confirming their admission to the Summer School, which they may use for visa purposes where necessary. Participants who require a visa to enter Italy or the Schengen Area are responsible for starting the application process in due time.

**How to apply**

**Please apply via Google Form**

**Deadline and outcomes**

Applicants must submit no later than **23:59 (CET time) on 30 July 2026.**

**Contact**

For any queries, please write to **summerschool@cespi.it.**