Invitation

The course is organized by the St Gallen Section of the Swiss Red Cross and supported by the national Support for Torture Victims Network.

Training dates:

31 October – 2 November 2018

Training location:

GRAVITA SRK Zentrum für Psychotraumatologie Bahnhofplatz 5 St Gallen

Fee per participant:

CHF 625, including training material and coffee breaks

Training language:

English

Target audience:

Medical doctors, psychologists, legal advisors, lawyers and social workers, who are in contact with refugees, asylum-seekers and migrants, either for treatment or support in legal issues

Registration:

Please register by 15 Juli 2018 at info@srk-sg.ch (limited places available).

Additional information:

Please contact christian.rupp@srk-sg. ch (English, German) or c.schlar@icloud. com (French, English, German)

Accommodation:

If you need help finding accommodation please let us now.

Training course: GRAVITA SRK, St.Gallen 31. October – 2. November 2018:

How to apply the Istanbul Protocol in Switzerland.









The Manual on Effective Investigation and Documentation of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, commonly known as the Istanbul Protocol, is the first set of international guidelines for documentation of torture and its consequences.

The Istanbul Protocol is intended to serve as a set of international guidelines for the assessment of persons who allege torture and ill treatment, for investigating cases of alleged torture, and for reporting such findings to the judiciary and any other investigative body.

The Protocol was the outcome of a long process of sharing of expertise and experience among more than 75 forensic scientists, physicians, psychologists, human-rights monitors and lawyers, coordinated by professionals of the Human Rights Foundation of Turkey, the Turkish Medical Association, and Physicians for Human Rights-USA. The Protocol was submitted to the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights in August 1999, and the principles were endorsed by the UN General Assembly and the UN Commission on Human Rights in 2000.

This is the first training course for professionals in Switzerland on how to apply the Istanbul Protocol. It will be facilitated by international experts from France, Turkey, Switzerland and Taiwan.

Instructor

Önder Özkalipçi

Forensic Physician Coordinator and a co-editor of the Istanbul Protocol Temporary Consultant at Office of High Comissioner for Human Rights. Geneva

James Lin

Legal Advisor Istanbul Protocol Programme Coordinator, International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims, Copenhagen

Dr. Pierre Duterte

MD and Psychotherapist Director Parcours d'exil health care center for victims of torture and Human Rights abuses, Paris

Caroline Schlar

Psychologist and Psychotherapist FSP Coordinator and contributor of the Istanbul Protocol specialized in the treatment of clients victim of torture and war, private practice

Denise Graf

Legal Advisor Expert for Asylum Rights Amnesty International Switzerland, Berne

The international Experts James Lin, Pierre Duterte and Önder Özkalipçi will speak English, while the others will speak German or English regarding to the listeners.

First day - 31 October 2018

Morning	Opening Speech	Christian Rupp, SRK St.Gallen
	Introduction	
	Introduction of the Istanbul Protocol	Önder Özkalipçi
	Current situation / challenges	Caroline Schlar
Afternoon	International standards on the prohibition of torture	James Lin
	and ill-treatment	
	National standards on the prohibition of torture and ill-	Denise Graf
	treatment and national asylum and refugee legislation	
	International standards and national legislation on the	James Lin & Denise Graf
	ethical and legal responsibilities of medical professionals	

Second day – 1st November 2018

Morning	General considerations for interviews,	Pierre Duterte & Caroline Schlar	
3	taking the story – Part 1		
	General considerations for interviews,	Pierre Duterte & Caroline Schlar	
	taking the story – Part 2		
Afternoon	Physical evidence of torture and ill treatment – Part 1	Önder Özkalipçi	
	Psychological evid. of torture and ill treatment – Part 1	Pierre Duterte & Caroline Schlar	
	Parallel Session A, B and C, different disciplines using the same example		
	Physical evidence of torture and ill treatment – Part 2		
	Legal Evidence of torture – Part 2		
	Psychological evid. of torture and ill treatment – Part 2		

Third day - 02nd November 2018

Morning	Physical-Psychological evaluation and Preparing the	Önder Özkalipçi
	Medical Report - Part 1	Pierre Duterte, James Lin
	Physical-Psychological evaluation and Preparing the	Önder Özkalipçi
	Medical Report – Part 2	Pierre Duterte, James Lin
Afternoon	Panel Discussion on interdisciplinary cooperation	all
	– Further steps	Caroline Schlar
	– How to implement Istanbul Protocol?	Denise Graf
	– Ways to cope with challenges	
	Evaluation of the training	all trainers
	Participation certificate and good-bye	Christian Rupp