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## Launch of new Global Campus Human Rights Journal

The Global Campus of Human Rights is proud to announce the launch of the *Global Campus Human Rights Journal (GCHRJ)*, a peer-reviewed online publication serving as a forum for rigorous scholarly analysis, critical commentaries, and reports on recent developments pertaining to human rights and democratisation globally. The first issue is now available online at <u>https://globalcampus.eiuc.org/human-rights-journal</u>.

*GCHRJ* is edited by a team of three, led by **Frans Viljoen**, Director of the Centre for Human Rights and Professor in the Faculty of Law at the University of Pretoria in South Africa, who is assisted by two co-editors: **Vahan Bournazian**, Professor at Yerevan State University in Armenia, and **Matthew Mullen**, Lecturer at Mahidol University of Bangkok in Thailand. They are supported by an <u>International Editorial Advisory Board</u>.

"There is an increasing need for a forum **fostering dialogue and collaboration** between stakeholders, including academics, activists in human rights and democratisation, NGOs and civil society" Prof. Viljoen said. "G*CHRJ* will be able to fill this need by adopting **multi- and inter-disciplinary perspectives**, and using **comparative approaches**."

The challenges of today's world are multifaceted and transnational in nature. They cause heated debate and controversy and require multi-layered answers. The contribution of *GCHRJ* is to provide expertise to guide responses and solutions and to infuse them with **ethical**, **human rights-based perspectives**.

*GCHRJ* consists of two sections, each containing full-length peer-reviewed academic articles. The first section contains **solicited and unsolicited articles** on various themes. The second section provides an

overview of **recent regional developments** on human rights and democratisation across the globe, including analyses of decisions or findings of relevant courts or other bodies.

*GCHRJ* is an open-access journal and is published biannually. Submissions - in English, French or Spanish - are welcome at any time and should be sent to Isabeau de Meyer at <u>idemeyer1@gmail.com</u>. The Guidelines for Authors can be found <u>here</u>.