

## **TRANSCRIPT**

Source: [Louv2.01x] A farewell message

OK, well, congratulations. You are now at the end of the course. It has been a very great pleasure to have you with us during these 10 weeks since the course was launched. I would like to really very warmly congratulate all of you who have been through these eight sections. And again, let me recall that there was, of course, a compromise to be made between the ambition to go in depth in the understanding of human rights and the scope that the course could achieve, in terms of which subject matters we would be examining.

I believe that with these eight sections we've covered a whole lot of conceptual issues that will allow you to understand what human rights are about. To read in a much more informed way, the information that you will gradually receive about future developments in human rights, and to understand in particular the developing case law in this matter. Which is not, of course, fixed. But which I'm sure you are now much better equipped to follow.

We intend to improve this course further in the future. And to help us to do this, you will receive a request to take part in a very short survey that will provide us with some feedback about your expectations. And this survey will be completed, not only by those of you who have achieved the full course and who are now at the end of the eight sections, but also by those who could not finalize the course because it was too demanding, I suppose, on their time. And it would be very interesting for us to understand what were the obstacles that made it difficult for all of you to complete the course.

Again, let me thank you very warmly for participating and I hope that the next editions of the course will be gifted by an equally enthusiastic and interesting set of participants. Matthias Sant'Ana, who's been assisting me for this course, has a few more words to say, and I will then say goodbye to all of you.

Hi again. I just wanted to recall to you all that the deadlines for the exams, as you know, have been extended through this three week extended grace period. And so, although the course closes officially on the 25th, you still have a few weeks ahead of you. So you can take a bit of time to really make sure that you understand all the contents before you submit your final submission for the exams. And this implies, of course, that the discussion fora and the discussions about the exams will continue a bit, a longer period after the closure of the course itself. So I'll be still there, helping you understand the more complex issues that you might not have understood on your own.

And I would also just like to reinforce what Professor De Schutter has just said about us needing your feedback. And we've already gotten a lot of feedback in the discussion fora, but also through the survey, so that we can improve this experience for the next editions. We've learned a lot by trying to build this course for you, we've learned a lot even with our small mistakes. And so we really like to hear all that you have to say about how this course was for you. If you enjoyed it, what parts were harder, what parts were easier, which kind of exercises you like most, and so forth.

Thank you very much. It was a was a great pleasure for me to be assisting Professor De Schutter in this course and discussing in the forums.