Investigative Commons

A new era for human rights investigations

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Introduction

• ECCHR
  • Strategic human rights litigation
  • In four different programme areas

• Myself
  • BA Political Science and Public Law, LLM International Law
  • Human rights investigations and evidence analysis
  • Coordinator of the Investigative Commons at ECCHR

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Agenda

• Paving the way – past collaborations
• Investigative Commons
  • What is it?
  • Goals/ideas
  • Methodology
• What is next?
Past collaborations

• Drone strikes in Pakistan

• Ali Enterprise Factory Fire

• ND and NT vs. Spain before the ECtHR
Investigative Commons - I

• Physical and ideological space
• Set up by ECCHR, Forensic Architecture, FORENSIS
• Collaborating with Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Mnemonic, Bellingcat, Laura Poitras/Praxis Films... and more to come!
• Develop joint investigations on human rights and environmental violence
• Flexible arrangements
Investigative Commons - II
Investigative Commons - III

• Socialize evidence – new fora for human rights evidence
• „Democratize evidence“
• Develop new models of collaboration
Investigative Commons - IV

• Joint projects
  • Yemen

• Develop methodologies
  • Trial and error
  • Combine expertise

• Organize „side-events“
  • Workshops
  • Fire-side talks
  • Exhibitions

• Residencies
What is next?

• Investigative Commons exhibition at Haus der Kulturen der Welt until 8 August
• „Socializing evidence“ conference at Haus der Kulturen der Welt on 9 October
• Yemen Time Map project
Thank you!

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