

## Defending Human Rights: Global and Local Perspectives, 12 November 2010



Sigrid Rausing, writer, champion of human rights and founder of the Sigrid Rausing Trust gave the keynote address about torture at a major public event linking the global and local defence of human rights. The occasion attracted an audience of over 180 people to the first public event to be hosted on the new Heslington East Campus.

The Sigrid Rausing Trust is an generous supporter of the Centre for Applied Human Rights, which hosted the evening in collaboration with International Service, a York-based development agency.

The event also featured a panel discussion to consider the possibility of positioning York as a 'human rights city'. The panel of local experts included representatives from International Service, the faith community, the University and the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust.