



International Conference
***Dealing with tensions, crisis and war in
accordance with international law and
humanitarian principles***

Aix-en-Provence, 12-16 May 2020

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Programme

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Tuesday, 12 May 2020

Arrival of the participants

- 10:00 – 12:00 Meeting of the Managing Board (Managing Board members only)
- 12:00 – 13:30 Lunch (Managing Board members only)
- 14:00 – 16:00 Meeting of the Board of Directors (members of the Board of Directors only)
- 16:00 – 17:45 Registration of participants
- 18:00 – 20:00 Icebreaker

Wednesday, 13 May 2020

08:00 – 08:45 Registration of participants

09:00 – 09:20 **Opening Ceremony**
Opening speeches by:

- Professor Dr. Ludovic HENNEBEL, Director, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School
- Professor Dr. Wolff HEINTSCHEL von HEINEGG, Chair of Public International Law, European Law and Foreign Constitutional Law, Europa-Universität Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder) & President, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

09:20 – 09:50 **Keynote speech**
How does international law protect the right to life during tensions, crisis and war? (Working title)

Speaker:

Mr. David TURNS, Senior Lecturer, Defence Academy of the United Kingdom (Cranfield University)

09:50 – 10:45 Group photo & Coffee/tea

10:45 – 12:45 **General Discussion**
Fighting Non-State Actors

- *Military interventions in non-international armed conflicts on invitation of the government*
- *The extra-territorial use of combat drones against non-State actors*
- *Measures in counter-terrorism: What are the limits under international law?*

Chair:

Professor Dr. Ludovic HENNEBEL, Director, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School

Presenters:

Dr. Chiara REDAELLI, Research Fellow, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law

Lieutenant-Colonel (US Marine Corps) John R. CHERRY, Associate Director and Military Professor, Stockton Center for International Law, US Naval War College

Mrs. Rebecca MIGNOT-MAHDAVI, Researcher in International Law, TMC Asser Institute & PhD Candidate in International Law, European University Institute

Dr. Rумыana van ARK (née GROZDANOVA), Researcher in Terrorism, Counter-Terrorism and International Law, TMC Asser Institute

12:45 – 13:45 Standing lunch

13:45 – 15:30 **General Discussion**
Space Law Limits to Military Presence or Activities in Outer Space

Chair:

Mr. Alfons VANHEUSDEN, Assistant Secretary-General, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

Presenters:

Mrs. Chehineze BOUAFIA, Executive Secretary, European Centre for Space Law

Professor Dr. Hitoshi NASU, Exeter Law School

Squadron Leader Kieran TINKLER, Royal Air Force, Associate Director for the Law of Coalition Air and Space Warfare, Stockton Center for International Law, US Naval War College

16:15 – 22:30 **Excursion, Networking & Conference Dinner (informal)**

Thursday, 14 May 2020

08:45 – 10:30 **General Discussion**
Dealing with Non-State Actors – a Colombian case study
- *Legitimation by non-State actors*
- *Challenges in transitional justice*

Chair:

Professor Dr. Javier RINCON, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

Presenters:

Dr. Alex PHELAN, Post-doctoral Fellow, Peace and Security Centre, Monash University

Dr. Natalia SILVA, Lecturer and Researcher, Universidad Externado de Colombia (TBC)

Mr. Daniel ARBOLEDA, PhD Candidate, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee/tea

11:00 – 12.30 **General Discussion**
Hybrid Threats to Maritime Security and the Law of the Sea

Chair:

Mr. Chris KREMIDAS-COURTNEY, Multinational Cooperative Engagement Coordinator, US European Command (EUCOM)

Presenters:

Mr. Sanjeet RUHAL, The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Security Law, International Maritime Law Institute

Professor Dr. Wolff HEINTSCHEL von HEINEGG, Chair of Public International Law, European Law and Foreign Constitutional Law, Europa-Universität Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder) & President, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

12:30 – 13:30 Standing lunch

13:30 – 14:40

General Discussion

New Technologies & International Humanitarian Law

Chair:
TBD

Presenters:

Dr. Agnieszka JACHEC NEALE, Lecturer, Exeter Law School

Mr. Robert GHOSN, External Lecturer, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School

14:40 – 15:15

Special Presentation in French (followed by a summary in English)

The French version of the 'Leuven Manual on the International Law Applicable to Peace Operations'

Presenter:

Mrs. Laurence DE GRAEVE, Legal Advisor, International Law Section, Legal Advisory Division, Belgian Ministry of Defence

15:15 – 15:45

Coffee/tea

15:45 – 16:45

General Discussion

The Protection of Cultural Heritage in Peace Operations

Chair:

Dr. Rossitza BARAKOVA, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School

Presenter:

Mrs. Kristin HAUSLER, Director, Centre for International Law, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

16:45 – 17:30

Special Presentation

The updated ICRC Commentary to the Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War

Presenter:

Dr. Jean-Marie HENCKAERTS, Legal Advisor and Head of the Project to update the ICRC Commentaries to the Geneva Conventions, International Committee of the Red Cross (TBC)

Free evening

Friday, 15 May 2020

08:45 – 10:30

General Discussion

The Status of the Military Uniform under International and National Law, and the Associated Obligation/Right to Wear the Uniform, Including in Special Circumstances

Chair:

Brigadier-General Darren STEWART, OBE, Vice-President, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

Presenters:

Dr. Jean-Marie HENCKAERTS, Legal Advisor and Head of the Project to update the ICRC Commentaries to the Geneva Conventions, International Committee of the Red Cross (TBC)

Professor Dr. Aurel SARI, Director, Exeter Centre for International Law, Exeter Law School

- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee/tea
- 11.00 – 12.15 **General Discussion**
Fact-finding and International Crimes
- Chair:
Dr. Lena CASIEZ, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School
- Presenter:
Dr. Agnieszka JACHEC NEALE, Lecturer, Exeter Law School
- 12:15 – 13:30 Standing lunch
- 13:30 – 15:30 **General Discussion**
Civilians Trapped in Hostilities – What Does the Law Say?
- Chair:
Mrs. Anne OSTRUP, Special Advisor on International Humanitarian Law, Office of the Judge Advocate General, Denmark
- Presenters:
Professor Dr. Bety JOSE, University of Colorado Denver
Dr. Juliette DEFOND, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School
Dr. Rossitza BARAKOVA, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School
- 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee/tea
- 16:00 – 17:00 **General Discussion**
Reparations for Victims of International Crimes
- Chair: Mrs. Antoaneta BOEVA, Director of the Documentation Centre, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
- Presenter:
Mrs. Niki SIAMPAKOU, PhD Candidate, Institute for International Humanitarian Studies, Aix-en-Provence Law School
- 17:00 – 17:30 **Closing Ceremony & Handing Over of the Certificates of Participation**
- Chair:
Mr. Ludwig VAN DER VEKEN, Secretary-General, Belgian Ministry of Defence & Secretary-General, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

Saturday, 16 May 2020

Optional group trip (Specific registration required)