



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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the European Centre for Space Law

# 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) by*

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. Romyana 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:  
Brigadier-General (ret.) Jan Peter SPIJK, Honorary President, 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:

Mr. Michael MEIER, Special Assistant for Law of War Matters, National Security Law Division, Office of the Judge Advocate General, Department of the Army, United States

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'*

Chair:

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

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)

17:30 – 18:00

**Special Presentation**

*The 2019 Yale Draft Principles for Military Summary Proceedings*

Chair: Lieutenant-Colonel (ret.) Franklin D. ROSENBLATT, United States

Presenters:

Mr. Eugene R. FIDELL, Senior Research Scholar in Law and Florence Rogatz Visiting Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School

Lieutenant-Commander (ret.) Dr. Pascal LÉVESQUE, Canada

Commander Christopher GRIGGS, Naval Reserve, New Zealand

Lieutenant-Colonel (ret.) Rachel E. VANLANDINGHAM, Associate Professor of Law, Southwestern Law School

*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. Betsy 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 – 17:20 **Special Presentation**  
*Legal Advisors Worktop Functional Area System (LAWFAS)*

Presenter: Mr (CTR) José Maria DA SILVA MIGUEL, Office of the Legal Advisor of Allied Command Operations (ACO) / Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE)

17:20 – 17:50 **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)*