



22nd Congress

Florence, Italy

10 to 14 May 2022

Exploring Opportunities for Improvement of International Peace and Security

Programme for participants¹

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Tuesday 10 May 2022

Arrival of Participants

- 09.00 – 11.00 **Meeting of the Managing Board** (Grand Hotel Baglioni - Managing Board members & members of the Italian Organising Committee only)
- 11.00 – 13.00 **Meeting of the Board of Directors** (Grand Hotel Baglioni - Members of the Board of Directors only)
- 13.00 – 14.15 Lunch (Members of the Board of Directors only)
- 14.30 – 16.00 **Continuation of the Meeting of the Board of Directors if needed** (Grand Hotel Baglioni - Members of the Board of Directors only)
- 16.30 – 19.00 *Registration (Circolo Unificato dell'Esercito)*
- 19.30 – 21.00 **Welcome Reception** (Circolo Unificato dell'Esercito - Open to accompanying persons)

Wednesday 11 May 2022

Plenary session

- 08.00 – 09.00 *Registration (Palazzo Vecchio)*
- 09.15 – 09.45 **Opening Ceremony** (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento - Open to accompanying persons)
Opening speeches by:
- Prof. Dr. Wolff HEINTSCHEL VON HEINEGG, Europa-Universität Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder) & President of the Society
- Dr. Maurizio BLOCK, Military Prosecutor-General, Supreme Court of Italy & President of the Society's Italian Group
- Dr. Dario NARDELLA, Mayor of the City of Florence
- 09.45 – 10.30 Group photo & Coffee/tea

¹ Sessions or parts of sessions will be conducted online to the extent caused by the COVID-19 situation and social events and visits may be cancelled if required by the COVID-19 situation.

10.30 – 12.00

General Discussion in Plenary Session (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento)
Intelligence Operations and Intelligence Sharing in the Context of Military Activities

Chair:

Prof. Michael SCHMITT, Professor of International Law, University of Reading; G. Norman Lieber Distinguished Scholar, Lieber Institute, U.S. Military Academy, West Point; Charles H. Stockton Distinguished Scholar in Residence, U.S. Naval War College; & Member of the Society's Board of Directors

Keynote Speech:

Vice Admiral Aurelio DE CAROLIS, Commander in Chief of the Italian Fleet
(The relevance of information driven operations in current geostrategic scenarios)

Presenters:

Dr. Sophie DUROY, Fellow, Kolleg-Forschungsgruppe "The International Rule of Law – Rise or Decline"

(The regulation of military intelligence operations under international law)

Prof. Dr. Marko MILANOVIC, University of Nottingham School of Law

(The legal and operational risks associated with international intelligence sharing)

12.05 – 13.05

Lunch

13.15 – 14.45

General Discussion in Plenary Session (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento)
Technology Developments and Outsourcing of Warfare

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Edoardo GREPPI, President of the International Institute of Humanitarian Law, Sanremo (Italy)

Presenters:

Prof. Michael SCHMITT, Professor of International Law, University of Reading; G. Norman Lieber Distinguished Scholar, Lieber Institute, U.S. Military Academy, West Point; Charles H. Stockton Distinguished Scholar in Residence, U.S. Naval War College; & Member of the Society's Board of Directors

(Current approaches to, and trends in, international law and cyber operations)

Prof. Dr. Marten ZWANENBURG, University of Amsterdam & Netherlands Defence Academy

(The use of biometrics in military operations and IHL)

Prof. Dr. Andrea SPAGNOLO, University of Torino

(Lethal Autonomous Weapon Systems (LAWS): ethical and legal considerations)

14.45 – 15.00

Coffee/tea

15.00 – 16.20

General Discussion in Plenary Session (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento)
Military and Non-Military Use of Outer Space: the Need for a Proper Legal Regime

Co-chairs:

Captain (N) Gianmatteo BREDA, Senior Legal Adviser, Italian Navy &
Mr. Roland TROPE, Adjunct Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer
Science, U.S. Military Academy; Partner, Trope and Schramm LLP, New York City; &
Member of Society's Board of Directors

Panelists:

Mr. Ulf HÄUSSLER, Head of Division, EU, UN and NATO Law (acting), Federal Ministry of
Defence, Germany & Member of the Society's Board of Directors

(IHL applicability to outer space: the perspective of the international organizations)

Commodore Peter W. BOWERS, Royal Australian Navy

Mr. Harvey RISHIKOF, Chair of the American Bar Association Advisory Standing Committee
on Law and National Security & Co-Chair of the ABA Cybersecurity Legal Task Force

Prof. Dr. Melissa DE ZWART, Adelaide Law School

*(Conservation of orderly orbital operations: key to protecting terrestrial critical
infrastructure)*

16.20 -16.30

Move to the main entrance of the Uffizi Gallery

16.30 – 19.00

Cultural Visit (Guided visit to the Uffizi Gallery - Open to accompanying persons)

Free Evening

Thursday 12 May 2022

Plenary session

08.30 – 10.00

General Discussion in Plenary Session (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento)
Gender Awareness and the Military

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Gabriella VENTURINI, Council Member, International Institute of Humanitarian
Law, Sanremo (Italy)

Presenters:

Major General Maureen Patricia O'BRIEN, Deputy Military Advisor, Office of Military
Affairs, United Nations Department of Peace Operations

(Gender perspective in peacekeeping: the view of the United Nations)

Major Vincenza CHIACCHIERINI, Comandante Compagnia Carabinieri (Forlì)

(Raising gender awareness through military and police training)

Dr. Matteo M. WINKLER, Associate Professor, HEC School of Management, Paris

(The law of armed conflict in an LGBT perspective)

Dr. Federica FAVUZZA, Assistant Professor of International Law, University of Milan

(Gender issues related to detention in armed conflict)

10.00 – 10.30

Coffee/tea

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10.30 – 12.00

Committee for Criminal and Disciplinary Law

Core International Crimes - Developments

Chair:

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Frank ROSENBLATT, Assistant Professor of Law, Mississippi College of Law & Former Deputy Chief U.S. Army Trial Defense Service

Presenters:

Mr. Morten BERGSMO, Director of the Centre for International Law Research and Policy (CILRAP), Florence (Italy)

(Military self-interest in accountability as an antidote to increased politicisation)

Mr. Ezéchiél AMANI CIRIMWAMI, Magistrate, Democratic Republic of Congo; PhD Candidate, UCLouvain and VUB; & Research Fellow, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for Procedural Law

(Prosecuting rape as war crime: lessons and challenges learned from military tribunals in the DRC)

Prof. Dr. Paola GAETA, Professor of International Law, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

(The problem of overcriminalisation of IHL violations as war crimes)

Committee for History of Military Law and the Law of War

Learning From Legal History to Prepare the Future

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Stefan OETER, University of Hamburg, Germany

Presenters:

Ms. Marisa GIUSTINIANI, Researcher in IHL, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva

(Loss of civilian protection for ‘war-sustaining’ economic objects and activities in contemporary warfare: the limits of international humanitarian law)

Major Enrico COSSIDENTE, Italian Army

(The application of international law to State Actors’ disinformation)

Plenary session

12.10 – 12.30

Presentation of the *International Society for Military Law and the Law of War*, and its Projects (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento)

Presenter:

Mr. Alfons VANHEUSDEN, Senior Legal Adviser, Ministry of Defence, Belgium & Assistant-Secretary-General of the Society

12.30 – 13.30

Lunch

13.30 – 15.00

Committee for the Law of Maritime and Air Operations

A Shift of the “Air and Maritime Battle” from International Areas to Territorial waters and National Airspace: Some Legal Thoughts

Chair: Captain (N) Gianmatteo BREDA, Senior Legal Adviser, Italian Navy

Presenters:

Prof. (Em.) Dr. Natalino RONZITTI, LUISS University (Rome) & Advisory Expert, Istituto Affari Internazionali

(The legal status of a sunken warship and the obligations of coastal States)

Prof. Raul (Pete) A. F. PEDROZO, Howard S. Levie Professor of the Law of Armed Conflict and Professor of International Law, Stockton Center of International Law, U.S. Naval War College

(The legal framework related to “intrusive intelligence” in the air and maritime domains)

Mrs. Giulia PAVESI, Doctoral Researcher on Space Security, KULeuven

(Traffic space management and the need for space law enforcement)

Open discussion (Speakers and Chair) on:

(Military activities in the Black Sea and its peculiar legal regime)

Committee for History of Military Law and the Law of War

Learning From Legal History to Prepare the Future

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Stefan OETER, University of Hamburg, Germany

Presenters:

Major Mirco ANDEREGG, Deputy Head Law of Armed Conflict, Swiss Federal Department of Defence & President of the Society’s Swiss Group

(Counterterrorism and peace operations)

Dr. Stefano SALUZZO, Assistant Professor of International Law, University of Piemonte Orientale

((Re)defining the concept of “siege” under international humanitarian law)

15.00 – 15.30

Coffee/tea

15.30 – 17.00

Committee for International Humanitarian Law

Urban/underground warfare

Chair:

Dr. Agnieszka JACHEC-NEALE, Senior Lecturer, University of Exeter Law School

Presenters:

Prof. Dr. Daphné RICHEMOND-BARAK, IDC Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy

Mrs. Anna Rosalie GREIPL, PhD Candidate and Teaching Assistant, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

Prof. Laurie R. BLANK, Clinical Professor of Law and Director of the International Humanitarian Law Clinic, Emory University School of Law & Senior Fellow, Lieber Institute, U.S. Military Academy, West Point

Committee for Defence Procurement Law

Intersection of Procurements of "AI and Other Emerging Technologies", Rights to Intellectual Property, and Security

Chair: Mr. Roland TROPE, Adjunct Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, U.S. Military Academy; Partner, Trope and Schramm LLP, New York City; & Member of Society's Board of Directors

Presenters:

Mr. Fernand (Fern) A. LAVALLEE, Partner, Jones Day, Washington D.C., United States
(Defense procurements, intellectual property, and AI)

Commodore Peter W. BOWERS, Royal Australian Navy

(The legal framework around new technologies and for the defense procurement office)

Brigadier Lisa FERRIS, Director Defence Legal Services, New Zealand Army

Air Vice Marshall (Ret.) John BLACKBURN, Formerly Deputy Chief of the Australian Air Force

20.00 – 22.30 **Official Dinner** (Palazzo Borghese - Open to accompanying persons)

Friday 13 May 2022

08.15 – 08.55 **Extraordinary General Assembly** (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento - Members of the Society only)

Plenary Session

09.00 – 10.30 **General Discussion in Plenary Session** (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento)
Climate Change and Global Security. A True Legal Challenge for the Stakeholders

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Ida CARACCILOLO, University of Campania 'Luigi Vanvitelli' & Judge at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Presenters:

Prof. Mauro POLITI, University of Trento

(Climate change and global security. A true legal challenge for the stakeholders)

Mrs. Antoaneta BOEVA, Legal Counsel, Green Climate Fund & Director of the Society's Documentation Centre

(Armed conflicts as a consequence of climate change: State responsibility and legal consequences)

Prof. Dr. Sergio MARCHISIO, Professor of International and Space Law, University of Roma La Sapienza

(Protection of the natural environment in times of armed conflict and in other military operations)

Lieutenant General (Ret.) Massimiliano DEL CASALE, Italy

(Recalibrating humanitarian interventions in relation to climate change)

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee/tea

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11.00 – 12.45

Committee for Criminal and Disciplinary Law

Military Justice Reforms

Chair:

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Frank ROSENBLATT, Assistant Professor of Law, Mississippi College of Law & Former Deputy Chief U.S. Army Trial Defense Service

Moderator:

Brigadier General (Ret. Jan Peter SPIJK, Honorary President of the Society)

Presenters:

Prof. Dr. Mark M. HULL, Department of Military History, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College

(The role of visual media in inciting war crimes)

Dr. Andrea CRUCIANI, Military Judge (Italy)

(Military justice reform in Italy)

Mr. Lars STEVNSBORG, Military Prosecutor General, Denmark & Member of the Society's Board of Directors

(Military justice reform in Denmark)

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Rachel E. VANLANDINGHAM, Professor of Law, Southwestern Law School

(Military justice reform in the United States)

Committee for International Humanitarian Law

Ambiguity of Non-Legal Terms in the Conduct of Hostilities

Chair:

Dr. Agnieszka JACHEC-NEALE, Senior Lecturer, University of Exeter Law School

Presenters:

Dr. Rogier BARTELS, Legal Officer (Chambers), International Criminal Court

Mrs. Emanuela-Chiara GILLARD, Senior Research Fellow, Oxford Institute for Ethics, Law and Armed Conflict, University of Oxford

Dr. Sigrid REDSE JOHANSEN, Judge Advocate General, Norwegian Defence Forces

Dr. Jeroen VAN DEN BOOGAARD, Senior Legal Counsel, Legal Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Netherlands

12.45 – 13.45

Lunch

Parallel Sessions (Antica Canonica di San Giovanni, Conference Room Brunelleschi & Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento)

13.45 – 15.00

Session A

Cultural Heritage Protection in Post-Conflict Situations

Chair:

Mr. Alfons VANHEUSDEN, Senior Legal Adviser, Ministry of Defence, Belgium & Assistant-Secretary-General of the Society

Presenters:

Dr. Kristin HAUSLER, British Institute of International and Comparative Law
(*Cultural heritage protection in peace operations*)

Prof. Dr. Federica MUCCI, University of Roma Tor Vergata
(*The promotion of cultural pluralism and protection of cultural multiple identities to build “a peace that is not to fail”*)

Session B

Selected Topics in the Domain of Effective International Peace and Security

Chair:

Ms. Carrie F. RICCI, General Counsel, Department of the Army, United States

Prof. Dr. Martina BUSCEMI, Assistant Professor, University of Milan Statale
(*Effectiveness of the sanctions systems in promoting fair international security*)

Captain (N) Jean Paul PIERINI, Senior Legal Advisor, Italian Navy
(*The exercise of extraterritorial jurisdiction in respect of second row spymasters*)

Lieutenant Colonel Dvir SAAR, International Law Department, Israel Defence Forces
(*Lessons-learned from implementing IHL in recent conflicts*)

15.00 - 15.30

Coffee/tea

Plenary Session

15.30 - 17.00

General Discussion in Plenary Session (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento)

The War between the Russian Federation (+ Belarus) and Ukraine

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Wolff HEINTSCHEL VON HEINEGG, Europa-Universität Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder) & President of the Society

Panelists:

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

Mr. Laurent GISEL, Head of the Arms and Conduct of Hostilities Unit, ICRC

Prof. Dr. Marten ZWANENBURG, University of Amsterdam & Netherlands Defence Academy

Representative of the Ukrainian delegation (TBC)

17.00 – 17.30 **Award of the Ciardi Prize 2022** (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento - Open to accompanying persons)

Jury members:

Dr. Giovanna CIARDI, President of the Fondazione Ciardi

Rear Admiral (upper half) (Ret.) Fabio CAFFIO, Italy

Dr. Isacco Giorgio GIUSTINIANI, Military Magistrate, Italy

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

Prof. (Em.) Dr. Terry D. GILL, University of Amsterdam & Member of the Society's Board of Directors

17.30 – 17.40 **Closing Session** (Palazzo Vecchio, Salone Dei Cinquecento - Open to accompanying persons)

Free Evening

Saturday 14 May 2022

Departure of the Participants & Optional Cultural Visits

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