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Legal, Ethical and Strategic Perspectives

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Swiss Armed Forces College

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30 December 2025

Tuesday 10 March 2026

               Arrival of Participants

13.00 – 14.30   *Registration (Lobby, Hotel Astoria)*

13.00 – 14.30   **Meeting of the Managing Board (Hotel Astoria - Managing Board members, the Assistant Secretary General and a representative of the Organizing Committee of the Swiss Group only)**

14.45 – 16.15   **Meeting of the Board of Directors (Hotel Astoria - Members of the Board of Directors and specifically invited observers only)**

16.30 – 18.15   **General Assembly (Hotel Astoria - Members of the Society only)**

18:30 – 20:00   **Icebreaker offered by the Swiss Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport (Venue TBD)**

Wednesday 11 March 2026

08.00 – 09.00   *Registration (Lobby, Swiss Armed Forces College)*

09.10 – 9.30   **Opening Ceremony (Swiss Armed Forces College)**

9.30 – 10.15   **Keynote Speech (Swiss Armed Forces College)**

10.15 – 11.00   *Group photo & Coffee/tea*

11.00 – 12.30   **Panel 1 (Swiss Armed Forces College)**
               Global Security in a Changing World Order

12.30 – 14.00   *Lunch*

14.00 – 15.30   **Panel 2 (Swiss Armed Forces College)**
               Is a Lower Threshold for the Application of International Humanitarian Law Emerging?

15.30 – 16.00   *Coffee/tea*

16.00 – 17.30   **Panel 3 (Swiss Armed Forces College)**
               Cyber Warfare and International Humanitarian Law

               Free evening

Thursday 12 March 2026

08.30 – 10.15   **Panel 4 (Swiss Armed Forces College)**
               Autonomous Weapon Systems & Artificial Intelligence

10.15 – 10.45   *Coffee/tea*

10.45 – 12.30   **Panel 5 (Swiss Armed Forces College)**
               Maritime Warfare in the Digital Age

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12.30 – 14.00	*Lunch*
14.00 – 15.30	**<u>Panel 6</u> (Swiss Armed Forces College)** *Cloud, Data and Quantum Computing in Armed Conflict*
15.30 – 16.00	*Coffee/tea*
16.00 – 17.30	**<u>Panel 7</u> (Swiss Armed Forces College)** *Roundtable: The Future of International Humanitarian Law in the Age of Disruptive Technologies*
17.30 – 17.45	**<u>Conclusions</u>**
	Free evening

<u>Friday 13 March 2026</u>
(Optional, not included in the participation fee, separate registration and payment required)

8.30 – 11.00	**<u>Choice A: Ship Cruise on Lake Lucerne</u>**
	<u>Choice B: Visit to Bourbaki Museum, Lucerne</u>
11.00 - …	*Departure of Participants*