



Summer Course on the International Law Applicable to Peace Operations

Łódź, Poland

19 to 25 July 2026

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Outline of the programme

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Sunday 19 July 2026

Arrival of Participants & check-in at CSK Kopcińskiego

Monday 20 July 2026

- 9.00 – 9.30 *Registration of Participants*
- 9.30 – 10.30 **Welcome & introduction to the scope, structure and approach of the Summer Course**
- 10.30 – 10.45 *Coffee break*
- 10.45 – 12.30 **The broader peace and security landscape – What does the UN Charter say?**
- 12.30 – 13.30 *Lunch break*
- 13.30 – 15.00 **History, facts & figures about UN peace operations**
- 15.00 - 15.15 *Coffee break*
- 15.15 – 17.00 **The Mandate of a peace operation & Command and Control in peace operations**
- 19.00 *Group photo at Alfred Biedermann's Palace*
- 19.00 – 21.00 **Reception with finger food** (Alfred Biedermann's Palace, Fireplace Room & Garden)

Tuesday 21 July 2026

- 9.00 – 10.30 **Human rights in peace operations**
- 10.30 – 10.45 *Coffee break*
- 10.45 – 12.30 **International humanitarian law in peace operations & the protection of UN peacekeepers**
- 12.30 – 13.30 *Lunch break*
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- 13.30 – 15.30 **Status-of -Forces and Status-of-Mission Agreements & Troop Contributing MOUs**
- 15.30 – 16.00 *Coffee break*
- 16.00 – 17.00 **Host State law and Sending States law in peace operations**
- 19.00 – 22.00 **Non-hosted dinner (optional)**

Wednesday 22 July 2026

- 9.00 – 10.30 **Use of Force and Rules of Engagement in peace operations**
- 10.30 – 10.45 *Coffee break*
- 10.45 – 12.15 **Detention in peace operations**
- 12.15 – 13.30 *Lunch break*
- 13.30 – 15.00 **Protection of civilians in peace operations**
- 15.00 – 15.15 *Coffee break*
- 15.15 – 16.15 **Women, Peace & Security, and gender mainstreaming in peace operations**
- 16.15 – 16.30 *Coffee break*
- 16.30 – 17.30 **Combating sexual exploitation and abuse in peace operations & monitoring compliance in the field of conduct and discipline**
- 19.00 – 22.00 **Non-hosted dinner (optional)**

Thursday 23 July 2026

- 9.00 – 10.30 **The aerial and maritime dimensions of peace operations**
- 10.30 – 10.45 *Coffee break*
- 10.45 – 12.15 **Promotion of the Rule of Law in peace operations & demining and removing of explosive remnants of war**
- 12.15 – 13.30 *Lunch break*
- 13.30 – 15.00 **Accountability and responsibility in peace operations**
- 15.00 – 15.15 *Coffee break*
- 15.15 – 16.45 **Third party claims in peace operations**
- 19.00 – 22.00 **Non-hosted dinner (optional)**

Friday 24 July 2026

- 9.00 – 10.30 **Individual criminal responsibility and international criminal justice in relation to peace operations**
- 10.30 – 10.45 *Coffee break*
- 10.45 – 12.15 **Peace operations conducted by regional organizations and other arrangements**
- 12.15 – 13.30 *Lunch break*
- 13.30 – 14.30 **Cyber, AI, Privacy and Peace Operations**
- 14.30 – 14.45 *Coffee break*
- 14.45 – 15.45 **The role of legal advisors in peace operations**
- 15.45 – 16.15 **Interactive exercise**
- 16.15 – 16.30 *Coffee break*
- 16:30 – 17:15 **The International Society for Military Law and the Law of War: presentation of the organization and its activities**
- 17.15 – 17.30 **Conclusions**
- 19.00 – 22.00 **Barbecue and bonfire at the Rogowska Centre**

Saturday 25 July 2026

Free morning

14.00 – 16.00 *Visit to the Poznanski Palace & award of the certificates*

Free evening

Sunday 26 July 2026

Departure of the Participants