

PROSECUTING AND JUDGING CORE INTERNATIONAL CRIMES WITHIN THE EU
“Combating impunity”

30 November- 02 December 2015

Hosted by [The Hague Institute for Global Justice](#),
Sophialaan 10, The Hague, The Netherlands

DRAFT PROGRAMME

MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2015

09:00 – Arrival and registration of participants

09:15 – Welcome and introduction to the programme

Abiodun WILLIAMS, President of The Hague Institute for Global Justice
Wojciech POSTULSKI, Judge, Secretary General of the European Judicial Training Network
Matevz PEZDIRC, Head of the Genocide Network Secretariat

09:30 – Key Speech: From Nuremberg to The Hague

Silvia FERNANDEZ de GURMENDI, Judge, President of the International Criminal Court

Chair: Matevz PEZDIRC, Head of the Genocide Network Secretariat

10:00 – Plenary

Session 1 A - Substantive International Criminal Law – Rome Statute Crimes – Crime of Genocide

Helen BRADY, Senior Appeals Counsel, Office of the Prosecutor, International Criminal Court, and former Senior Appeals Counsel at International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)

Session 1 B

Substantive International Criminal Law – Rome Statute Crimes – Crimes against Humanity

Helen BRADY, Senior Appeals Counsel, Office of the Prosecutor, International Criminal Court

11:00 – Coffee break

11:30 – Plenary

Session 1 C - Substantive International Criminal Law – Rome Statute Crimes – War Crimes

Helen BRADY, Senior Appeals Counsel, Office of the Prosecutor, International Criminal Court

Introduction to the case-study and division of participants in 3 groups

12:15 – Workshop 1: Exchange of views about the case presented in 3 groups (in separate rooms)

Experts-Moderators:

- 1. Martin WITTEVEEN, Prosecutor, Dutch Court of Appeal*
- 2. Aaron MATTA, Senior Researcher, The Hague Institute for Global Justice*
- 3. Helen BRADY, Senior Appeals Counsel, Office of the Prosecutor, International Criminal Court*



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13:00 - *Lunch*

14:00 - **Plenary**

Session 2 A - Substantive Criminal Law – Modes of Liability – International and National Perspective

Dan Saxon, Assistant Professor of International Law at Leiden University College, former Senior Prosecuting Trial Attorney at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)

Session 2 B - Substantive Criminal Law – Circumstances excluding Liability – International and National Perspective

Dan Saxon, Assistant Professor of International Law at Leiden University College, former Senior Prosecuting Trial Attorney at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)

15:30 - *Coffee Break*

15:45 - **Workshop 2: Exchange of views about the case presented in 3 groups** (*in separate rooms*)

Experts-Moderators:

- 1. Dan SAXON, Assistant Professor of International Law at Leiden University College*
- 2. Aaron MATTA, Senior Researcher, The Hague Institute for Global Justice*
- 3. Martin WITTEVEEN, Prosecutor, Dutch Court of Appeal*

17:00 - **End of first day**

19:00 – **Social Event: Dinner** – opened by guest speaker from ICTY (tbc)

TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2015

08:45 – **Arrival and registration of participants**

Chair: Matevz PEZDIRC, Head of the Genocide Network Secretariat

09:00 – **Debriefing in plenary session: Presentations of the findings from Workshop 1 and 2**
Representatives of the 3 groups

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09:30 – Plenary

Session 3 A – Evidentiary Challenges in International Crime Cases

Cuno Jakob TARFUSSEER, Judge, International Criminal Court (tbc)

10:30 – Coffee break

11:00 – Plenary

Session 3 B – Evidentiary Challenges in International Crime Cases

Martin WITTEVEEN, Prosecutor, Dutch Court of Appeal

12:00 - Workshop 3: Exchange of views about the case presented in 3 groups (in separate rooms)

Experts-Moderators:

1. Aaron MATTA, Senior Researcher, The Hague Institute for Global Justice

2. Matevz PEZDIRC, Head of the Genocide Network Secretariat

3. Julie DE HULTS, Belgian Task-Force for International Criminal Justice

13:00 – Lunch

14:00 –Plenary

Session 3 C – Practical Issues in International Crime Cases

Martin WITTEVEEN, Prosecutor, Dutch Court of Appeal, former investigative judge for international crimes at the District Court of The Hague, former Advisor for International Crimes to the NPPA in Rwanda

15:30 – Coffee break

16:00 – Plenary

Session 3 D - Practical Issues in International Crime Cases

Martin WITTEVEEN, Prosecutor, Dutch Court of Appeal

17:00 - End of second day

WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER 2015

08:45 – Arrival and registration of participants

Chair: Matevz PEZDIRC, Head of the Genocide Network Secretariat

09:00 – Debriefing in plenary session: Presentations of the findings from Workshop 3

Representatives of the 3 groups



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09:30 – Plenary

Session 4 A – International Cooperation – MLA and extradition within the EU, with non-EU States and international courts

Julie DE HULTS, Belgian Task-Force for International Criminal Justice, Belgian Central Authority for Cooperation

Matevz PEZDIRC, Head of the Genocide Network Secretariat

11:00 – Coffee break

11:30 – Plenary

Session 4 B –International Cooperation – Cooperation with other actors in the field (UN, ICRC, NGOs)

Julie DE HULTS, Belgian Task-Force for International Criminal Justice

12:15 - Evaluation and conclusions

12:30 - End of the programme

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14:00 – Optional: Visit to the ICC/ICTY (tbc)

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