

GENERAL PROFILE OF THE COURSES

The General Courses on International Refugee Law have been held since 1982. The courses are organised by the International Institute of Humanitarian Law in Sanremo in co-operation with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and with the support of the Swiss State Secretariat for Migration and the US State Department (Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration).

The Refugee Law Courses have been developed primarily to benefit government officials who are involved in the formulation and application of legislations and policies affecting people in need of protection. Likewise, the courses are open to members of civil society, particularly those who advocate for and/or contribute to the protection of forcibly uprooted people.

In general, the International Refugee Law courses aim at

- promoting law, principles and policies relating to the protection of persons in need of protection;
- developing a common understanding among participants on how these legislations and policies can be promoted and implemented at the national level by a variety of stakeholders;
- enhancing the skills of participants in developing and applying policies and standards in conformity with principles of international law;
- developing a positive attitude among participants towards the protection of refugees and other uprooted people.

During the five-day course in Sanremo, participants have the opportunity to interact with practitioners and experts on refugee protection, who facilitate various thematic sessions of the programme. Different learning methodologies are used to encourage participants to apply their acquired knowledge and skills in their country operations in a practical and pragmatic manner.

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Tuesday, 5 April 2016

- 08.45–09.00 **Welcome Address**
- 09.00–10.00 **Introduction: Course and Objectives
Outline of the Course and Introduction of
Participants**
- 10.00–10.30 *Coffee break*
- 10.30–12.30 **Case Study Presentation/Basic concepts**
- 12.30–13.00 **The International Legal Framework**
- 13.00–14.00 *Lunch break*
- 14.00–15.30 **The International Legal Framework**
- 15.30–16.00 *Coffee break*
- 16.00–17.30 **Refugee Status Determination interview
(role play)**
- 17.30–18.15 *Welcome cocktail Villa Ormond*

Wednesday, 6 April 2016

- 08.45–09.00 **Recap of Day 1**
- 09.00–10.30 **Refugee Status Determination Case Study**
- 10.30 *Group Picture*
- 10.30–11.00 *Coffee Break*
- 11.00–12.30 **Refugee Status Determination
Procedures/Criteria**
- 12.30–13.30 *Lunch break*
- 13.30–14.00 **Emergencies: Introduction**
- 14.00–15.30 **Protection of Internally Displaced Persons,
Case Study**
- 15.30–16.00 *Coffee break*
- 16.00–17.30 **Mass Influx Simulation**

Thursday, 7 April 2016

- 08.45–09.00 **Recap of Day 2**
- 09.00–10.30 **Prevention of and response to Sexual and
Gender-Based Violence**
- 10.30–11.00 *Coffee Break*
- 11.00–12.30 **Protection in Urban Settings**
- 12.30–13.30 *Lunch break*
- Free Afternoon

Friday, 8 April 2016

- 08.45–09.00 **Recap of Day 3**
- 09.00–10.30 **Security Concerns and Refugee Protection**
- 10.30–11.00 *Coffee Break*
- 11.00–12.30 **Security Concerns and Refugee Protection**
- 12.30–13.30 *Lunch break*
- 14.00–15.30 **Durable Solutions Negotiation Simulation**
- 15.30–16.00 *Coffee break*
- 16.00–17.30 **Comprehensive Solutions, Case Study**
- 19.45 *Official Diner*

Saturday, 9 April 2016

- 08.45–09.00 **Recap of Day 4**
- 09.00–10.30 **An Introduction to Statelessness**
- 10.30–11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00–12.00 **Open Forum**
- 12.00–12.30 **Final Evaluation and Closing Ceremony**
- 12.30 *Lunch*