

## ADVANCED IHL COURSE

The San Remo Advanced Course on International Humanitarian Law (IHL) is a week-long intensive course designed to refine and deepen participants' understanding of key areas in IHL to equip them to advise on complex issues and novel situations.

The course focuses on key *Jus ad Bellum* concepts which underpin and frame operations, before moving to a detailed examination of fundamental *Jus in Bello* concepts and principles in International Armed Conflicts (IAC) and Non-international Armed Conflicts (NIAC) set against current operational contexts. In addition to an eminent faculty of academic speakers, many sessions also include experienced military operators. Immersive and challenging, the tone of the week will remain operationally oriented throughout.

Topics are covered using a plenary based approach, amplified by contemporary case studies. Time is allocated throughout the course for question and answer sessions allowing for participant interaction and access to recognized experts in their fields.

The program will include exercises for participants designed to expose issues in a realistic but systematic manner and promote the participant's ability to find practical, actionable solutions through the application of the relevant IHL provisions.

Throughout the course participants are encouraged to fully engage. The teaching methodology and achievement of course objectives are based on the sharing of differing national approaches to aid in a better understanding of national challenges and potential multi-national legal operational interoperability issues.

The course is primarily designed for operationally experienced military and civilian legal advisors (OF3/OF4)\*, and those from government or international organizations with a good understanding and practical experience with IHL/Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC). Academics and students with an interest in developing a deeper understanding of the subject area are also welcome to apply.

For US participants, Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits are available from most state bars associations.

\*More junior legal officers with exceptional experience & masters equivalent studies may also apply.

## ADMINISTRATION

The registration fee is €1,200. This should be remitted before the start of the course, or upon arrival in cash, Euro currency cheque, or credit card.

The registration fee covers:

- Transport from/to Nice Airport
- Lunches and coffee/tea breaks on working days
- Course Dinners
- Course Materials
- Course Photograph, & Diploma

Transfers from/to the Nice airport to Sanremo will be arranged. Details of timings for this service will be provided as part of the registration process.

The registration fee does not cover any other expenses incurred by the participant such as hotel accommodations, laundry or telephone calls, or most evening meals. Participants must ensure that they bring with them sufficient funds to pay for such expenses.

Queries on the course including registration and administrative questions should be directed to: [maria.jonsson@iihl.org](mailto:maria.jonsson@iihl.org).

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## 37<sup>TH</sup> ADVANCED COURSE ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (ENGLISH)

SANREMO, 7-11 MAY 2018  
Indicative Programme



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**MONDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**  
*JUS AD BELLUM*

\*Dress code is business suit for Monday and Friday (Photographs and Closing Ceremony) and business casual Tuesday through Thursday.

08.30–09.00	<b>Registration</b>
09.00–09.10	<b>Opening Ceremony</b> Prof Fausto Pocar President, IIHL Col John Hardy Director, Military Department, IIHL Lt Col McKelvy Course Director
09.10–09.20	<b>Introduction and Administration</b> Lt Col McKelvy
09.20–10.00	<b><i>Relationship Between Jus ad Bellum &amp; Jus in Bello</i></b> Lt Col McKelvy
10.00–10.20	<b>Morning Coffee &amp; Class Photo</b>
10.20–12.30	<b><i>Jus ad Bellum: UN Security Council, Self-Defence &amp; Armed Attack</i></b> Prof Dinstein
(5 min break)	
12.30–13.30	<b>Lunch</b>
13.30–15.00	<b>Conflict Classification (with Q &amp; A)</b> Prof Dinstein
15.00–15.20	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15.20–17.20	<b>Exercise: Conflict Classification &amp; Mission Analysis</b>
17.20–17.30	<b>IHL Wrap-Up</b>
17.30–18.30	<b>Social Gathering – IIHL Terrace</b>

**TUESDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**  
*JUS IN BELLO 1*

08.30–08.35	<b>Administrative Notes</b> Lt Col McKelvy
08.35–09.20	<b><i>Jus in Bello Framework</i></b> Prof Dinstein
09.20–10.00	<b>Distinction</b> Prof Dinstein
10.00–10.20	<b>Morning Coffee</b>
10.20–11.10	<b>Military Objective &amp; Definite Military Advantage</b> Prof Garraway

11.15–12.30	<b>Proportionality, Collateral Damage &amp; Precautions</b> Air Commodore Boothby
12.30–13.30	<b>Lunch</b>
13.30–15.00	<b>Proportionality – Challenges to Establishing the Meaning of Proportionate Collateral Damage</b> Dr Dill
15.00–15.20	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15.20–16.20	<b><i>Weapons &amp; Article 36 Reviews</i></b> Air Commodore Boothby
16.20–17.30	<b><i>Weapons Review Exercise</i></b> Lt Col McKelvy & Air Commodore Boothby
17.30–17.40	<b>IHL Wrap-Up</b>

**WEDNESDAY, 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**  
*JUS IN BELLO 2*

08.30–08.35	<b>Administrative Notes</b> Lt Col McKelvy
08.35–09.35	<b>Direct Participation in Hostilities (DPH) &amp; the ICRC's Interpretive Guidance</b> Prof Garraway
09.35–10.30	<b>Status-Based Targeting in Non-International Armed Conflicts (NIACs)</b> Prof Hampson
10.30–10.50	<b>Morning Coffee</b>
10.50–11.30	<b>Panel Discussion (Q &amp; A)</b>
11.30–12.30	<b>Targeting Exercise Prep w/ Syndicates</b> (Syndicate breakout rooms) Lt Col McKelvy
12.30–13.30	<b>Lunch</b>
13.30–15.00	<b>Targeting Exercise Syndicate Briefs</b> (Plenary) Air Commodore Boothby & Lt Col McKelvy
15.00–15.20	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15.20–16.20	<b>ICRC &amp; Detention</b> Mme Lehongre
16.20–16.30	<b>IHL Wrap-Up</b>

**THURSDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**  
*IHL, HUMAN RIGHTS & ACCOUNTABILITY*

08.30–08.35	<b>Administrative Notes</b> Lt Col McKelvy
08.35–09.45	<b>Interrelationship Between Human Rights &amp; IHL</b> Prof Hampson
09.45–10.05	<b>Morning Coffee</b>
10.05–11.05	<b>Modern Overview of Command Responsibility</b>
11.10–12.30	<b>State Responsibility</b> Prof Hampson
12.30–13.30	<b>Lunch</b>
13.30–14.50	<b>The Case Law of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) on Detention in (situations of) Armed Conflict</b> Prof Hampson
15.00–15.20	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15.20–16.20	<b>Case Study – Kunduz MSF/Doctors Without Borders Airstrike</b>
16.20–16.30	<b>IHL Wrap-Up</b>
20.00–	<b>Course Dinner</b>

**FRIDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**  
*FUTURE APPLICATION OF PRINCIPLES & JUS POST BELLUM*

09.00–09.05	<b>Administrative Notes</b> Lt Col McKelvy
09.05–10.00	<b>Future Application of LOAC Principles</b> Lt Col McKelvy
10.00–10.20	<b>Morning Coffee</b>
10.20–11.00	<b>The Challenges for National &amp; International Criminal Tribunals</b> Mr. William St-Michel
11.10–12.00	<b>Panel Discussion (Q &amp; A)</b>
12.00–12.30	<b>Closing Ceremony</b> Prof Pocar, Col Hardy & Lt Col McKelvy
12.30	<b>Lunch &amp; Depart</b>