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45th ROUND TABLE ON CURRENT ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW

“After the conflict before the peace: legal military and humanitarian issues during the transition”

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DRAFT PROGRAMME (July 2022)
Wednesday, 7th September

OPENING SESSION
2:00-3:00 pm CEST

WELCOME ADDRESSES
Alberto Biancheri, Mayor of Sanremo
Representative of the of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy (TBC)
Representative of the Ministry of Defence (TBC)
Edoardo Greppi, President, IIHL
Gilles Carbonnier, Vice-President, ICRC (TBC)
Nils Melzer, Director of International Law, Humanitarian Diplomacy, & Policy, ICRC; Vice-President, IIHL

PANEL DISCUSSION
3:30-5:00 pm CEST

SCENE SETTER: MILITARY, HUMANITARIAN AND LEGAL CHALLENGES DURING TRANSITION FROM CONFLICT TO NON-CONFLICT

Chair: Edoardo Greppi, President, IIHL
   − Stefano Pontecorvo, Ambassador, last NATO Senior Civilian Representative in Afghanistan
   − Christian Cardon de Lichtbuer, Chief Protection Officer, ICRC
   − Representative of the US Department of Defence

Thursday, 8th September

SESSION 2
9:00-10:30 am CEST

HISTORICAL ANALYSIS OF CONFLICT-PEACE TRANSITION: FROM SOLFERINO TO AFGHANISTAN

Chair: TBD
   − Keith Lowe, Military Historian
SESSION 3
11:00 am - 12:30 pm CEST

**HUMANITARIAN ISSUES IN TRANSITION: WHO IS RESPONSIBLE AND WHAT FOR?**

Chair: TBD

- “What is the responsibility of Non-State Actors controlling a territory?”
  Representative of Geneva Call
- “Who is responsible in a space where there is lack of clarity in the applicable of law”
  Barbara Scolart, Captain, Italian Army
- Representative of the ICRC Missing Persons Project/Kelisiana Thynne, Senior Legal Adviser, ICRC

SESSION 4
2:00 - 3:30 pm CEST

**LEGAL AND MILITARY CHALLENGES IN NON-COMBATANT EVACUATION OPERATIONS (NEOS)**

Chair: TBD

- “A military operational perspective”
  Representative of Israel Defence Forces
- “A military legal perspective”
  Chris Adair, Lieutenant Colonel, UK Army Legal Services (remote)
- “A humanitarian perspective”
  Representative of the Norwegian Refugee Council

SESSION 5
4:00 - 5:30 pm CEST

**LEGAL STATUS OF EVACUEES FROM NEOS AND LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEM**

Chair: TBD
Friday, 9th September

SESSION 6
9:00-10:30 am CEST

RESPECTIBILITY FOR REFUGEES AND IDPS IN THE TRANSITION

Chair: Claudio Delfabro, Director, Department of International Refugee Law and Migration Law, IIHL

- Gabriella Venturini, Professor Emerita, University of Milan; President, Italian Branch of the International Law Association
- Aurvasi Patel, Deputy Director (Protection), Regional Bureau for Asia-Pacific, UNHCR
- Representative of the Italian Government (TBC)

SESSION 7
11:00-12:30 pm CEST

PLANNING FOR POST-CONFLICT FROM THE MILITARY AND HUMANITARIAN PERSPECTIVES: NECESSARY INTERACTIONS BETWEEN ACTORS

Chair: TBD

- Godard Busingye, Brigadier, Uganda People's Defence Force
- Francesca Dell'Acqua, Strategia Worldwide
- Eirini Giorgou, Legal Adviser, ICRC
- Bediako K. Buahene, Chief, Civil-Military Coordination Service, Response Support Branch, Coordination Division, United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
SESSION 8
2:00-3:30 pm CEST

INFRASTRUCTURE AND REMNANTS OF WAR

Chair: Alex Taylor, Major General, CB, Director, UK Army Legal Services
- Mara Tignino, Reader, Faculty of Law, University of Geneva; Lead Legal Specialist of the Platform for International Water Law, Geneva Water Hub
- Dhafir Mahmood Khalaf, Director General, Iraq Mine Action Centre
- Representative of Geneva Call
- Representative of Sri Lanka Armed Forces

CLOSING REMARKS
3:30-4:00 pm CEST

Edoardo Greppi, President, IIHL

Nils Melzer, Director of International Law, Policy & Humanitarian Diplomacy, ICRC; Vice-President, IIHL