

## SANREMO39172@ 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 participants' 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, and 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.

## 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 [patrizia@iihl.org](mailto:patrizia@iihl.org) (please add in cc: [carolina.paizs@iihl.org](mailto:carolina.paizs@iihl.org))

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## 48<sup>TH</sup> ADVANCED COURSE ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (ENGLISH) SANREMO, 17 – 21 April 2023 Indicative Programme



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## THE OPERATIONAL CONTEXT

\*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>
09.00–09.20	<b>Opening Ceremony</b> <b>Col Mark Dakers</b> Director, Military Department, IIHL
09.20–10.00	<b>Mission Analysis – Setting the Context</b> Col Dakers
10.00–10.20	<b>Morning Coffee &amp; Class Photo</b>
10.20–11.15	<b>Peace and War – Where is the Divide</b> Prof Garraway
11.20–12.20	<b>Conflict Classification</b> Prof Bradley
12.20–13.30	<b>Lunch</b>
13.30–14.15	<b>NIAC</b> Prof Bradley
14.15–15.00	<b>Armed Non-State Actors (ANSAs) and IHL</b> TBD (Geneva Call)
15.00–15.20	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15.20–17.00	<b>Conflict Classification Exercise</b> Syndicate Groups

## JUS IN BELLO 1

08.30–08.35	<b>Administrative Notes</b> IIHL
08.35–09.20	<b>Distinction</b> Col Dakers
09.20–10.10	<b>Military Objective &amp; Definite Military Advantage</b> Prof Garraway
10.10–10.30	<b>Morning Coffee</b>
10.30–11.30	<b>Direct Participation in Hostilities</b> Col Dakers
11.30–12.30	<b>Status Based Targeting in NIAC</b> Prof Garraway
12.30–13.30	<b>Lunch</b> TBD
13.30–14.30	<b>Nuclear Weapons – A Rethink</b> Air Cdre Boothby

14.30–15.30	<b>AI and the Use of force</b> LTC Slesman
15.00–15.20	<b>Afternoon Tea</b> (Syndicate breakout rooms)
15.20–16.20	<b>Cyber and IHL</b> Air Cdre Boothby
16.20–17.00	<b>Support to State Parties Panel</b> Teaching Staff

## JUS IN BELLO 2

08.30–08.35	<b>Administrative Notes</b> IIHL
08.35–09.35	<b>Full Spectrum Effects</b> Col Dakers
09.35–10.30	<b>Proportionality, Collateral Damage and Precautions</b> Air Cdre Boothby
10.30–10.50	<b>Morning Coffee</b>
10.50–11.30	<b>The Targeting Process</b> Col Dakers
11.30–12.30	<b>Targeting Exercise</b> Syndicate Groups
12.30–13.30	<b>Lunch</b>
13.30–15.00	<b>Targeting Exercise Syndicate Briefs</b> (Plenary)
15.00–15.20	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15.20–16.00	<b>Art 36 Weapons Reviews</b> Air Cdre Boothby
16.00–17.00	<b>Art 36 Weapons Review Exercise</b>

## IHL, HUMAN RIGHTS & ACCOUNTABILITY

08.30–08.35	<b>Administrative Notes</b> IIHL
08.35–09.45	<b>Art 36 Weapons Review Exercise Discussion</b> Plenary
09.45–10.05	<b>Morning Coffee</b>
10.05–11.05	<b>Interrelationship Between Human Rights &amp; IHL</b> Prof Bradley
11.10–12.30	<b>Investigations</b> LTC Slesman

12.30–13.30	<b>Lunch</b>
13.30–14.00	<b>Partnered Operations</b> Col Dakers
14.00–15.00	<b>State Responsibility for Partners/Proxies</b> TBD
14.00–15.20	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15.20–16.20	<b>Modern Overview of Command Responsibility</b> Col Dakers
16.20–17.00	<b>State Responsibility Exercise</b>
20.00–	<b>Course Dinner</b>

## ACCOUNTABILITY AND IHL FUTURE

09.00–09.05	<b>Administrative Notes</b> IIHL
09.05–10.00	<b>State Responsibility Exercise</b> Plenary
10.00–10.20	<b>Morning Coffee</b>
10.20–12.00	<b>Future Application of IHL Principles – Panel discussion</b> (Teaching Staff)
12.00–12.30	<b>Closing Ceremony</b> TBD
12.30	<b>Lunch &amp; Depart</b>