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**47<sup>th</sup> ROUND TABLE ON CURRENT ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW**

**“From the Battle of Solferino of 1859 to the Geneva Conventions of 1949:  
Challenges, and Future Prospects of International Humanitarian Law”**

*Villa Ormond, Sanremo (Italy), with live broadcasting online*

*12-13 September 2024*

**GENERAL INFORMATION**



The International Institute of Humanitarian Law and the International Committee of the Red Cross are pleased to invite you to join the 47<sup>th</sup> Sanremo Round Table on current issues of international humanitarian law on “*From the Battle of Solferino of 1859 to the Geneva Conventions of 1949: Challenges, and Future Prospects of International Humanitarian Law*”.

The Round Table, with the participation of high-level international experts and practitioners, will delve into the historical continuum from the Battle of Solferino to the codification of GCs in 1949, exploring the transformative journey of IHL between these key occurrences, fostering a deeper understanding of the development of IHL over time, and acknowledging the importance of humanitarian principles to shape the landscape of modern conflict resolution and strengthen the protection of vulnerable populations.

This year, the Round Table will be held at Villa Ormond, Sanremo (Italy) in a hybrid format, with live broadcasting online.

Information regarding the agenda, speakers, registration, and logistics are made available on the Institute’s website at this link: <https://iihl.org/47th-sanremo-round-table/>.

## Attendance

The 47<sup>th</sup> Sanremo Round Table on Current Issues of IHL will be held on-site at **Villa Ormond, Corso Felice Cavallotti 113, 18038 Sanremo (Italy)**, and fully broadcast live allowing **remote attendance**.

The link to the online broadcasting of the conference will be shared with registered participants a few days before the opening of the event.

During the conference, a **simultaneous translation service from English to French and French to English will be provided online**. For this reason, on-site attendees will be required to access the online broadcasting to take advantage of the interpretation service.

The Institute will provide the on-site participants with **disposable wired headphones on request**. To use devices that are not compatible with wired headphones, participants are invited to join the conference already equipped with their own wireless headphones.

A **Wi-Fi connection** service will be made available on the Conference premises by the Institute free of charge.

## Check in procedures

All registered participants, including journalists, are invited to check in at the Round Table Secretariat on the ground floor of Villa Ormond **between 9.00 am and 10.30 am** on Day 1 of the conference.

For security reasons, **check in or access to Villa Ormond** will not be possible between 10.30 am and 11.30 am ([see the ‘Opening Ceremony’ section for more information](#)).

## Opening Ceremony

**The Opening Ceremony in the presence of the President of the Italian Republic will start at 11.00 am.**



Please consider that, to attend the ceremony, all attendees will be required to be seated in the room at 10.30 am. Considering the limited number of seats available, all attendees who are willing to attend the Opening Ceremony are required to check in at the Secretariat of the conference in Villa Ormond starting from 9.00 am.

Please bear in mind that the free seats available in the **room** for the Opening Ceremony will be assigned through the 'first come first served' principle.

For security reasons, **access to the conference room will not be allowed from 10.35 am to 11.35 am and it will not be possible** to stand at the ground level of the Villa during the Opening Ceremony.

A **welcome coffee** will be served on the terrace during check in between 9:00 am and 10:30 am. This service will be suspended from 10.30 am to 11.00 am, and the terrace will be closed for security reasons.

The **Opening Ceremony will be broadcast live in a dedicated room on the upper floor of the Villa**, therefore anyone not seated by 10.30 will be invited to remain inside the room for the whole duration of the ceremony.

At the end of the Opening Ceremony, guests in the room will be asked to **remain seated** to allow the President of the Italian Republic to leave the venue.

The institutional messages of the Opening Ceremony of the conference will be **delivered in Italian**. For this specific session **only**, simultaneous translation from Italian to English and French will be made available (see the 'Attendance' section for more information on the simultaneous translation service and how to take advantage of it).

During the five-minute break following the Italian President's departure, all registered participants, including those who did not attend the Opening Ceremony, will be invited to fill, in an orderly fashion, any empty seats in the conference room in preparation for the following sessions and panels of the Sanremo Round Table.

## Working language and simultaneous translation service

The Round Table will be conducted in English with the possibility of presentations delivered in French according to the speakers' preferences. A simultaneous translation service from English to French and from French to English will be provided both in Sanremo and online (see the 'Attendance' section for more information on the simultaneous translation service).

## Dress code

During the conference, attendees are required to follow a **business formal dress code** to uphold a professional and respectful atmosphere. Military and other types of uniforms are also accepted.

## Certificate of attendance

A certificate of attendance will be issued by the Institute upon request (please ask the Secretariat when registering).



## Admin and Logistics

### Registration Forms

All participants are kindly invited to register through the registration forms available at <https://iihl.org/47th-sanremo-round-table/>.

**Please note that registration is mandatory to attend the conference.**

With particular reference to on-site participation, please be informed that the **maximum capacity** of the conference room is 120 persons. For this reason, we kindly invite you to register at your earliest convenience to reserve your seat at the event.

Online participants and on-site participants are required to **register individually** through one of the two dedicated online registration forms, according to the preferred attendance methodology (on-site or online). Reported below are the **links to the official registration forms**:

**On-site attendance:** <https://tinyurl.com/2s4m29zs>

**Online attendance:** <https://tinyurl.com/muwvc5ym>

### Arrival/Departure

Sanremo is in the Northern part of Italy, about 140 km West of Genoa (1 hour and 45 minutes by car/around 2 hours by train) and 60 km East of Nice (France) where the nearest airport is located (50 minutes by car/1 hour and 50 minutes by train).

**Group transport from and to the airport of Nice Cote d'Azur** will be provided on 11, 12, 13 and 14 September 2024 upon request of participants, with an additional charge of **100 €** (return trip).

Please find below websites where it is possible to find information and consult schedules:

Nice airport: <http://www.nice.aeroport.fr>

Train info in France: <http://www.sncf.com/>

Train info in Italy: <https://www.trenitalia.com/en.html> (insert San Remo)

Highway: <http://www.autostradadeifiori.it/>

### Registration Fees

#### Regular (on-site)

The **registration fee (350 €)** covers participation at the Round Table and social events, as well as coffee breaks, lunches, and working documents.

#### Regular (online)

The **registration fee (100 €)** covers participation at the Round Table (the link for connection will be shared in due time).





## IIHL Members

Members of the Institute will pay a reduced registration fee of **100 € for on-site attendance** or **50 € for online attendance**.

## Students and Italian Red Cross

University students and personnel of the Italian Red Cross can benefit from a **reduced fee of 100 € for on-site attendance** or **50 € for online attendance**.

Participants are requested to settle the registration fee before the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2024:

- by credit card (please see visit <https://iihl.org/online-payment/>)
- by bank transfer (see below)

**Account holder:** International Institute of Humanitarian Law

**Bank name:** BANCA INTESA SAN PAOLO

**Bank address:** FILIALE 55000 – PIAZZA PAOLO FERRARI, 10 - 20121 MILANO

**IBAN CODE:** IT53 R030 6909 6061 0000 0012 348

**BIC CODE:** BCITITMM

When settling payment, kindly indicate “**47<sup>th</sup> Sanremo Round Table**” as the reason for payment, the **participant’s name**, and the **preferred attendance methodology (on-site or online)**.

## Venue

The Round Table will take place at **Villa Ormond**, the IIHL headquarters, Corso Felice Cavallotti 113 – 18038 Sanremo (IM), Italy. Tel.: + 39 0184 541848 ext. 204 – email: [sanremo@iihl.org](mailto:sanremo@iihl.org) (please do not use this email to ask for information concerning the Round Table, see ‘Contacts’ section below).





## Cancellation policy

Reimbursement of the registration fee will be made (except for bank charges) only if cancellation is made before 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024.

## Passport and Visa

Participants from countries needing a visa are advised to ask for a Schengen visa before departure (application must be presented at least one month before the event). Please be aware that, in some cases, visas are also requested for transit countries (UK, USA and others). Please consider that **visas are not issued at Nice airport** and the Sanremo Institute is not responsible for their request process.

## Insurance – Travel and Health

Participants will be responsible for their adequate travel and health insurance. Under no circumstances the Institute can be held responsible for medical expenses incurred by participants during their stay in Sanremo.

## Accommodation

Accommodation and all other costs which are not covered by the registration fee will be the participants' responsibility.

**Bookings should be made directly by the participants who will be required to inform the Secretariat of their booking dates and their flight details if arriving at the Nice airport (France) and asking for the transfer service** (please see the 'Arrival/Departure' section for more information about costs and logistics of the common organised transfer), the nearest to Sanremo.

## Available Hotels

Hotel	Distance from Villa Ormond	Web page
EVELINE ****	50 m	<a href="http://www.evelineportosole.com">www.evelineportosole.com</a>
VILLA SYLVA ***	100 m	<a href="http://www.hotelvillasylva.com">www.hotelvillasylva.com</a>
MARINELLA ***	200 m	<a href="http://www.hotelmarinella.it">www.hotelmarinella.it</a>
GRAND HOTEL LONDRA ****	1700 m	<a href="http://www.londrahotelsanremo.it">www.londrahotelsanremo.it</a>
ROYAL *****	1500 m	<a href="http://www.royalhotelsanremo.com">www.royalhotelsanremo.com</a>
DES ANGLAIS ****	1600 m	<a href="http://www.hoteldesanglais.com">www.hoteldesanglais.com</a>
BELSOGGIORNO ***	2000 m	<a href="http://www.belsoggiorno.net">www.belsoggiorno.net</a>

Prices include accommodation and breakfast (a small local tax will have to be paid during check in).

**Check-out: please consider that participants are usually requested to leave their room before midday.** Other hotels can be found at: [www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com).



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## Contacts

For more information about on-site and online attendance, including support concerning logistical aspects (travel, hotel booking, administrative details, etc.) please contact **Ms Eleonora Tranquillo** at [eleonora.tranquillo@iihl.org](mailto:eleonora.tranquillo@iihl.org), make sure to cc **Ms Gaia De Salvo**, [gaia.desalvo@iihl.org](mailto:gaia.desalvo@iihl.org), and mention “*47<sup>th</sup> Sanremo Round Table*” in the subject of your email.

Please be aware that the Secretariat is available to provide support from Monday to Friday, from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm Italian time.