

## **International Humanitarian Law in Theory and Practice** **Virtual Summer School**

*Draft Programme (Status June 2020)*

*Online Platform: via Zoom*

### General Approach:

- Two (1-hour) online presentations in the morning, possibility of breakout rooms for small exercises;
- Usually self-study and practical exercise in groups in the afternoon, on three afternoons guest lectures from practice and moot court, respectively
- Short plenary sessions at beginning of the morning to review previous day and discuss questions;
- Moot Court on Friday

### Self-Study before Summer School starts:

- ICRC: Rules of war (in a nutshell) | The Laws of War (5min)  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HwpzzAefx9M>)
- IHL MOOC Week 1 “IHL in Theory and Practice” (Basic concepts and history of IHL)
- IHL MOOC Week 2 (Conflict Classification)

Monday, 12 July 2021

### **Live sessions (10:00 – 12:30h):**

#### **Welcome and Introduction to the Course**

Dr. Robert Heinsch, *Associate Professor of Public International Law, Leiden University*  
& Ms. Johanna Trittenbach, LL.M., *Research & Teaching Assistant KGF Leiden*

Virtual Coffee break (15 min)

**General introduction to IHL, History and Concepts**

Dr. Robert Heinsch, *Associate Professor of Public International Law, Leiden University*

**Introduction to a fictitious IHL case (which will be solved over the week)**

Ms. Johanna Trittenbach, LL.M., *Research & Teaching Assistant, KGF Leiden*

**Afternoon session (14:00 – 15:00):**

**Presentation of the 'IHL in Action' project**

Ms. Julie Tenenbaum, *Legal Advisor, International Committee of the Red Cross*

**Self-study (afternoon):**

- IHL MOOC Week 3 (Conduct of Hostilities)

Tuesday, 13 July 2021

**Live sessions (10:00 – 12:30):**

**Review of day 1: Questions & Answers**

Dr. Robert Heinsch, *Associate Professor of Public International Law, Leiden University*

**Classification of Conflicts (10.15 – 11.15)**

Ms. Sofia Pouloupoulou, *Legal Consultant, Global Rights Compliance*

Virtual Coffee break (15 min)

**Conduct of Hostilities and The Principles of Proportionality, Humanity and Necessity in International Humanitarian Law (11.30 – 12.30)**

Prof. Dr. Terry Gill, *Professor of Military Law at the University of Amsterdam & Netherlands Defense Academy*

**Self-study & fictitious case (afternoon):**

- IHL MOOC Week 4 (Protection of Persons)

Wednesday, 14 July 2021

**Live sessions (10:00 – 12:30):**

**Review of day 2: Questions & Answers**

Ms. Johanna Trittenbach, LL.M *Research & Teaching Assistant KGF Leiden*

**Protection of the Civilian Population (10.15 – 11.15)**

Prof. Dr. Horst Fischer, *Professor Emeritus of International Humanitarian Law, Leiden University*

Virtual Coffee Break

**Combatants and Prisoners of War (11.30-12.30)**

Dr. Jeroen van den Boogaard, *Senior Legal Advisor in International Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (The Netherlands), and Lecturer, University of Amsterdam*

**Afternoon session (14:00 – 15:00):**

**“IHL in Practice at the Courts & Tribunals in The Hague “**

**Prosecuting war crimes & crimes against humanity before international courts and tribunals – experiences from practitioners coming from the STL / ICC / IRMCT**

Dr. Giulia Pinzauti, *Assistant Professor in Public International Law, Leiden University (ICJ, ICTY & STL)*

& Dr. Philipp Ambach, *International Criminal Court (ICC & ICTY)*

Thursday, 15 July 2021

**Live sessions (10:00 – 13:30):**

**Review of day 3: Questions & Answers**

Dr. Robert Heinsch, *Associate Professor of Public International Law, Leiden University*

**The Interplay between International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law (10.15 – 11.15)**

Prof. Dr. Helen Duffy, *Gieskes Chair of International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law at the Grotius Centre, Leiden University*

**Limitation and Prohibition of Weapons in the Conduct of Hostilities + New forms of warfare (11.30 – 13.30)**

Prof. Dr. Paul Ducheine, *Professor of the Law of Military Cyber Operations, University of Amsterdam & Professor for Cyber Warfare, the Netherlands Defense Academy*

**Self-study & Fictitious case (afternoon):**

- Podcast on the new methods of warfare (Interview with Prof. Michael Schmitt)
- In addition: <https://e-brief.icrc.org/issue/new-technologies-and-the-modern-battlefield-humanitarian-perspectives/introduction/>
- IHL MOOC Week 5 (Implementation & Enforcement)

Friday, 16 July 2021

**Live sessions (10:00 – 12:30):**

**Review of day 4: Questions & Answers**

Ms. Johanna Trittenbach, LL.M, *Research & Teaching Assistant KGF Leiden*

**The Interplay between International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law (10.15 – 11.15)**

Prof. William Schabas, *Professor of Public International Law, Leiden University*

**Enforcement and Implementation of International Humanitarian Law (11.30 – 12.30)**

Ms. Mirjam de Bruin, LL.M., *Specialist in International Humanitarian Law*

Friday Afternoon

**Live sessions (14:00 – 16:00):**

**Fictitious Case/Moot Court: Oral rounds**

**Closing Remarks**

**Virtual “Graduation Ceremony” & Virtual “Borrel”**

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