

20TH SPECIALIZATION COURSE  
IN INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW  
FOR YOUNG PENALISTS

**HUMAN RIGHTS, CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND  
INTERNATIONAL LAW**

July 5-9, 2021

\*\*\* *online course* \*\*\*

**AGENDA**

*In cooperation with:*

University of Palermo Department of Law (Palermo, Italy)  
Irish Centre for Human Rights, National University of Ireland (Galway, Ireland)  
Middlesex University Department of Law (London, UK)  
International Association of Penal Law – AIDP (Paris, France)



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

- The Siracusa International Institute for Criminal Justice and Human Rights will organize the **20th Specialization Course in International Criminal Law for Young Penalists** on ‘Human Rights, Criminal Justice and International Law’ **exclusively online**, due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The 2021 ICL course will commence on Monday, July 5, and conclude on Friday, July 9. On Monday, July 12 and Tuesday, July 13, there will be an examination of participants who are interested in receiving the Diploma of the Siracusa International Institute.
- The course will consist of **16 daily sessions** spread over five days, for a total of 29 online contact hours. The sessions will be programmed approximately between h. 13 and 19.30, CET. The daily sessions will consist of keynote lectures, panel discussions and **small-group exercises**, which aim to stimulate interaction among participants.
- Each daily session will be broadcast live on a dedicated digital platform at the Italian local time indicated in the agenda. In addition, for one week after the broadcast, participants will have access to video recordings of all sessions.
- In advance of the course, all registered participants will have **access to an online platform**, from which the faculty’s recommended course readings and other relevant documents can be downloaded. This will help to ensure that participants get the most value out of the course’s live sessions. Each participant will have their own personal profile for accessing these materials. PowerPoint presentations and other course resources will be added to the platform at the beginning or end of each session.
- Participants who want to receive the **Diploma of the Siracusa International Institute** will have to take an online examination once the course is completed. The examination will have a written and an oral component. Successful participants will be among the Institute’s graduates and eligible for a prize to be awarded to the person who achieves the best examination result, and two runners-up. The prize-winner will be acknowledged on the Institute’s website, and receive a certificate, and two books from the Course Director and the Institute, respectively. Participants who choose not to take the final examination will receive a certification of participation only.
- **Attendance is required** at all live sessions. Failure to attend more than one live session will disqualify participants from receiving the certification of participation or the Diploma. Watching the recorded video of the sessions will not qualify participants for attendance.

## ELIGIBILITY

- The course targets mainly recent law graduates, practitioners, academics and students from across the globe, who are pursuing higher education or careers in the fields of international criminal law and international relations.
- To be eligible for the course, participants should have **a university degree in law, or have otherwise conducted some studies in law**. A legal background is indispensable for participants to properly follow and benefit from the course.
- Being a course for young penalists, participants should be **35 years of age or under**.
- A limited number of **auditors**, who do not fulfil the eligibility criteria, might be accepted into the course and eligible to receive a certification of participation in this capacity.
- The working language will be English, therefore **proficiency in English** is required for both regular participants and auditors.

## **REGISTRATION COSTS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

- The registration for the course is open to all interested applicants. The **application form** should be filled out online at the Institute's website: <http://www.siracusainstitute.org/app/international-criminal-law/>. The application **deadline is May 30, 2021**.
- For participants who intend to sit the examination and receive the Diploma of the Siracusa International Institute, the course's registration cost is **€ 500**. For other participants and auditors, the registration cost is **€ 300**. The registration cost should be paid by wire transfer.
- The Institute will offer a **limited number of scholarships to applicants from developing and less developed countries**. If awarded a scholarship, participants will be required to pay a reduced registration cost of **€ 50**.
- All participants, including auditors and scholarship recipients, are required to **join the International Association of Penal Law (AIDP)** as Young Penalists (€ 45). Membership information can be found on the AIDP website ([www.penal.org](http://www.penal.org)).
- All registered participants will receive an acceptance letter in due course, with further information on technical details, methods of payment and relevant deadlines.

## **CANCELLATION POLICY**

- If a registered participant cancels his/her participation, the registration cost cannot be refunded.
- However, given the current exceptional circumstances, if a registered participant cannot attend the course due to contracting Covid-19, the Institute will consider a full refund on presentation of a certified medical certificate.

If you have any questions, please contact the Siracusa Institute at [icl-course@siracusainstitute.org](mailto:icl-course@siracusainstitute.org).

# **HUMAN RIGHTS, CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW**

## **Monday, July 5**

### **OPENING CEREMONY**

- 13.00-13.20 Welcome by:
- Dr. Filippo Musca, Director General, Siracusa International Institute
  - Prof. William Schabas, Course Director

### **SESSION 1 GENERAL INTRODUCTION**

- 13.20-14.50 Speaker
- Prof. William Schabas

### **SESSION 2 CURRENT CHALLENGES OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

- 15.00-15.30 Speaker
- Judge Rosario Aitala

### **SESSION 3 INTERNATIONAL CRIMES: GENOCIDE AND CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY**

- 16.00-18.00 Speakers
- Prof. Larissa van den Herik
  - Prof. Leila Sadat

### **SPECIAL SESSION ON 'THE HISSÈNE HABRÉ TRIAL'**

- 18.00-19.00 Speaker
- Dr. Aminata Touré

## **Tuesday, July 6**

### **SESSION 4 FAIR TRIAL GUARANTEES AND RIGHTS OF THE DEFENCE**

- 14.00-16.00 Speakers
- Judge Paulo Pinto de Albuquerque
  - Prof. Yvonne McDermott

### **SESSION 5 SMALL GROUP EXERCISE I**

16.00-17.30

### **SESSION 6 INVESTIGATION OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMES**

- 18.00-19.30 Speakers
- Dr. Dov Jacobs
  - Mr. Philip Trehwitt

### **Wednesday, July 7**

**SESSION 7 SEXUAL AND GENDER-BASED CRIMES AND INTERNATIONAL LAW**

14.00-15.30 Speakers

- Dr. Chile Eboe-Osuji
- Ms. Niamh Hayes

**SESSION 8 HISTORY OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW**

16.00-17.30 Speakers

- Prof. Francine Hirsch
- Prof. Diane Marie Amann
- Prof. Kerstin von Lingen

**SESSION 9 CINEMA AND INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE: THE NUREMBERG TRIAL**

18.00-19.30 Speaker

- Prof. William Schabas

### **Thursday, July 8**

**SESSION 10 JURISDICTIONAL ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

14.00-16.00 Speakers

- Professor Leila Sadat
- Prof. Xiumei Wang
- Prof. Charles C. Jalloh
- Dr. Michail Vagias

**SESSION 11 SMALL GROUP EXERCISE II**

16.00-17.30

**SESSION 12 VICTIMS AND REPARATIONS**

18.00-19.30 Speakers

- Ms. Delia Chatoor
- Prof. Sharon Weill
- Ms. Sarah Pellet

### **Friday, July 9**

**SESSION 13 HUMAN RIGHTS, INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW AND ARMED CONFLICT**

13.00-15.00 Speakers

- Amb. Stephen J. Rapp
- Dr. Philipp Ambach
- Prof. William Schabas
- Prof. Joseph Powderly

**SESSION 14 TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE**

15.00-17.00 Speakers

- Prof. Federica D'Alessandra
- Prof. Fabián Salvioli

- Prof. Louise Mallinder
- Prof. Fannie Lafontaine
- Prof. Daniele Archibugi

**SESSION 15** *TITLE TBD*

17.30-18.00 Speaker

- Judge Piotr Hofmański, President, International Criminal Court

**SESSION 16** **CLOSING REMARKS**

18.00-18.30 Speakers

- Judge Jean Francois Thony, President, Siracusa International Institute
- Dr. Filippo Musca, Director General, Siracusa International Institute
- Prof. William Schabas, Course Director

**Monday, July 12**

P.M.

Written examination

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**Tuesday, July 13**

P.M.

Oral examination

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## **FACULTY**

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Honorary Chairman, Irish Center for Human Rights, National University of Ireland, Galway; Professor of International Law, Middlesex University, School of Law, UK; Professor of International Criminal Law and Human Rights, Leiden University, The Netherlands

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Judge, International Criminal Court

### **Professor Diane Marie Amann (USA)**

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### **Professor Daniele Archibugi (Italy)**

Research Director, Italian National Research Council (CNR), Italy; Professor of Innovation, Governance and Public Policy, University of London, Birkbeck College, UK

### **Ms Delia Chatoor (Trinidad and Tobago)**

Retired Foreign Service Officer, Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs, Trinidad and Tobago

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Former President, International Criminal Court; Distinguished International Jurist and Special Advisor to the President's Office, Ryerson University Law School, Canada

### **Ms. Niamh Hayes (Ireland)**

Consultant on Sexual and Gender-Based Violence, UN Women

### **Professor Francine Hirsch (USA)**

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