



International Conference

The International Law Applicable to Peace Operations

Dublin, 14-17 November 2018

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Wednesday, 14 November 2018

Arrival of Participants

17.00 – 18.00 *Registration (at the Mespil Hotel Ballsbridge)*

18.30 – 20.30 **Welcome Reception** *(at the Officers Mess of the McKee Barracks, Marlborough)*
Hosted by Brigadier General Howard BERNEY, General Officer Commanding 2 Brigade,
Defence Forces Ireland

Thursday, 15 November 2018

08.00 – 08.45 *Registration (at the Lecture Theatre of the Cathal Brugha Barracks)*

09.00 – 09:30 **Opening Ceremony** *(at the Lecture Theatre of the Cathal Brugha Barracks)*

Opening speeches by:

- Colonel John SPIERIN, Director of Legal Service, Defence Forces Ireland
- Professor Dr. Wolff HEINTSCHEL von HEINEGG, President, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
- Professor Dr. Ray MURPHY, Irish Centre for Human Rights

- 09:30 – 10:00 **Keynote speech – A Strategic Analysis of the Challenges in the Domain of Peace Operations**
 Speaker:
 Major General Michael BEARY (retd), Former Force Commander UNIFIL
- 10:00 – 10:30 Coffee/tea
- 10.30 – 12.00 **General Discussion**
Human Rights and Peace Operations
 Chair:
 Professor Dr. Ray MURPHY, Irish Centre for Human Rights
 Presenters:
 Mr. Peter KEMPEES, Head of Division, Registry of the European Court of Human Rights
 Professor Emeritus Dr. Françoise HAMPSON, University of Essex
- 12.00 – 13.15 Lunch
- 13.15 – 14.45 **General Discussion**
Topic 1: Criminal Accountability for Crimes by Peacekeepers
Topic 2: International Humanitarian Law and Peace Operations
 Chair:
 Mr. Alfons VANHEUSDEN, Assistant Secretary-General, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
 Presenters:
 Mrs. Mona Ali KHALIL, Affiliate of the Harvard Law School Program on International Law and Armed Conflict
 Colonel Ben F. KLAPPE (retd), Senior Legal Adviser, Headquarters Royal Netherlands Army
- 14.45 – 15.30 Group photo & Coffee/tea
- 15.30 – 16.45 **General Discussion**
Status of Forces and the Importance of Host State Law and Sending State Law in the Practice of Peace Operations
 Chair:
 Major General Michael FINN (retd), Former Head of Mission and Chief of Staff of UNSTO
 Presenter:
 Captain (French Navy) Jean-Emmanuel PERRIN, Legal Office, Allied Command Operations/Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe
- Free evening*

Friday, 16 November 2018

- 08.30 – 09.30 **General Discussion**
The Use of Force and Detention in Peace Operations
 Chair:
 Colonel William NOTT (retd), Irish Centre for Human Rights
 Presenter:
 Professor Emeritus Dr. Michael BOTHE, J.W. Goethe University, Frankfurt-am-Main
- 09.30 – 10.00 Presentation of the Legal Advisors Worktop Functional Area System (LAWFAS) by Mr (CTR) José Maria DA SILVA MIGUEL, Office of the Legal Advisor of Allied Command Operations (ACO) / Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE)
- 10.00 – 10.30 Coffee/tea

- 10.30 – 12.10 **General Discussion**
Protection of Civilians in Peace Operations
Introduction:
Chair:
Professor Dr. Ray MURPHY, Irish Centre for Human Rights
Presenters:
Professor Dr. Siobhán WILLS, Ulster University
Lieutenant Colonel Richard BRENNAN, Legal Service, Defence Forces Ireland
- 12.10 – 13.30 Lunch
- 13.30 – 15.00 **General Discussion**
Legal Aspects of Peace Operations in their Maritime Dimension
Chair:
Professor Dr. Wolff HEINTSCHEL von HEINEGG, President, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
Presenters:
Commander Patrick BURKE, Legal Advisor, Defence Forces Ireland
Commander Tom FLAVIN, Legal Officer, Regional Services, Office of the Judge Advocate General, Canada
- 15.00 – 15.30 Coffee/tea
- 15.30 – 16.40 **General Discussion**
Dealing with Crimes Against Peacekeepers
Chair:
Dr. Shane DARCY, Irish Centre for Human Rights
Presenter:
Lieutenant Colonel Jerry LANE, Legal Advisor and Lecturer in IHL, Military Ethics, Ethical Decision Making, and Military Law, Defence Forces Ireland & Representative of the International Association of Prosecutors
- 16.40 – 18.10 **General Discussion**
Protection of Personal Data in Peace Operations
Chair:
Associate Professor Eoin O'DELL, Trinity College Dublin
Presenters:
Mrs. Dominique VANHAELEMEESCH, Legal Advisor and Data Protection Officer, Ministry of Defence, Belgium
Mr. Gilles MARHIC, Legal Advisor, European External Action Service
- 18.10 – 18.15 **Closing Session**
- 18.15 – 22.00 **Official Dinner** (*at the Officers' Club of the Cathal Brugha Barracks*)
Speeches by:
- Mr. Michael McDOWELL, Senator, former Minister of Justice, Equality and Law reform, and former Attorney-General of Ireland
- Professor Dr. Wolff HEINTSCHEL von HEINEGG, President, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

Saturday, 17 November 2018

Social-cultural and Networking Activity (Specific registration required)

- Tour at the National Museum of Ireland (Collins Barracks)
- Lunch at the Collins Barracks (venue TBC)
- Guinness Store House experience
- Watching the rugby match between Ireland and New Zealand (optional)

Sunday, 18 November 2018

Departure of the Participants