



## International Conference

### ***Standards of Conduct and Accountability in Military Activities, the Role of Military Law and International Humanitarian Law, and the Importance of Preventing Armed Conflicts***

ERTH Hotel, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

10 to 13 December 2024

**The conference is organized with the support of  
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Simultaneous translation to and from Arabic and English,  
and from Arabic and English to French

#### **Outline of the programme**

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#### **Monday 9 December 2024**

*Arrival of Participants*

*Icebreaker with snacks/light dinner*

#### **Tuesday 10 December 2024**

8.00 – 9.00

*Registration*

9.15 – 9.45

**Opening Ceremony (Arabic & English)**

*Opening speeches*

9.45 – 10.45

*Group photo & Coffee/tea*

10.45 – 12.45

**General Discussion (Arabic)**

*Preventing Violations of International Humanitarian Law*

*(National Implementation Measures)*

*(Military Education and Training)*

*(Military Discipline)*

- 12.45 – 14.00 *Lunch*
- 14.00 – 16.00 **General Discussion (English)**  
*Implementing International Humanitarian Law in Challenging Circumstances*  
*(Autonomous weapon systems – The LOAC/IHL framework-)*  
*(Applying international humanitarian law in complex battlespaces)*  
*(How international humanitarian law applies to a besieged armed force’s conduct)*
- 16.00 – 16.30 *Coffee/tea*
- 17.15 *Meeting up at the lobby of the Erth Hotel*
- 17.30 – 17.45 *Bus ride*
- 17.45 – 19.15 **Visit to the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque**
- 19.15 – 19.30 *Bus ride back to the Erth Hotel*
- Free evening*

**Wednesday 11 December 2024**

- 09.00 – 10.45 **General Discussion (Arabic)**  
*National Approaches to Military Justice in the Regional Context*  
*(Military Justice in the United Arab Emirates)*  
*(Military Justice in Bahrein (TBC))*  
*(Military Justice in Jordan (TBC))*
- 10.45 – 11.15 *Coffee/tea*
- 11.15 – 13.00 **General Discussion (English)**  
*National Prosecution of International Crimes – Trends and the Role of Military Investigations*  
*(The New Ljubljana – The Hague Convention)*  
*(A Perspective from the Italy)*  
*(Military investigations in armed conflict)*
- 13.00 – 14.00 *Lunch*

- 14.00 – 15.30      **General Discussion (Arabic)**  
*External Operations of the UAE Armed Forces in Support of Other Nations and to Contribute to Resolving International Crises*
- (General overview)
- (Legal Aspects)
- 15.30 – 16.00      *Coffee/tea*
- 17.00                *Meeting up at the lobby of the Erth Hotel*
- 17.15 – 17.45      *Bus ride*
- 17.45 – 19.15      **Visit to Qasr Al Hosn**
- 19.15 – 19.45      *Bus ride back to the Erth Hotel*
- Free evening*

**Thursday 12 December 2024**

- 9.00 – 10.45      **General Discussion (English)**  
*Navigation of Warships and Overflight by Military Planes in Times of Peace*
- (Status of warships)
- (Navigation of warships in operational contexts in times of peace)
- (Overflight by military planes)
- 10.45 – 11.15      *Coffee/tea*
- 11.15 – 12.45      **General Discussion (Arabic)**  
*Legal Aspects of Medical Care in Situations of Armed Conflict*
- (Military medicine and international humanitarian law)
- (Medical care to civilians in armed conflict zones)
- 12.45 – 14.00      *Lunch*
- 14.00 – 16.00      **General Discussion (English)**  
*International Law Aspects of Contemporary and Future Military Activities in Space*
- (Introduction on the militarization of outer space)
- (Evaluation of the current legal space law and IHL framework)
- (The Woomera Manual (TBC))
- 16.00 – 16.30      *Coffee/tea*

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16.30 – 17.30            **Closing Ceremony & Award of Certificates**

18.45                      *Meeting up at the lobby of the Erth Hotel*

19.00 – 19.30            *Bus ride*

19.30 – 22.00            **Official Dinner**

**Friday 13 December 2024**

*Check-out at the Erth Hotel*

*Optional social-cultural visit*

(Offered by the Host Country - Separate registration required)

AM                      **Visit to Louvre Abu Dhabi**

*Departure of participants*

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