



## 14<sup>th</sup> Seminar for Legal Advisors of the Armed Forces

Galway, Ireland  
20 to 23 May 2025  
Galway Bay Hotel

Organized with the support of The Irish Defence Forces

### Programme

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### Tuesday 20 May 2025

#### *Arrival of Participants*

- 13.00 – 14.30 **Meeting of the Managing Board** (Inishmaan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel - Managing Board members, the Assistant Secretary General & the Seminar Director only)
- 14.45 – 16.15 **Meeting of the Board of Directors** (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel - Members of the Board of Directors and specifically invited observers only)
- 16.30 – 18.15 **General Assembly** (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel - Members of the Society only)
- 18.30 – 20.00 **Welcome Drink with Canapes & Tapas** (Seascape Lounge, Galway Bay Hotel – All board members and Seminar participants)

08 March 2025

### **Wednesday 21 May 2025**

- 08.00 – 09.00      *Registration (Lobby, Galway Bay Hotel)*
- 09.15 – 9.45      **Opening Ceremony (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**
- 09.45 – 10.30      *Group photo & Coffee/tea with fruit skewers and smoothies*
- 10.30 – 12.30      **General Discussion (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**  
*Proportionality under international humanitarian law in today's world*
- 12.30 – 13.45      *Lunch*
- 13.45 – 15.30      **General Discussion (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**  
*Protection of peacekeepers, including in case of a robust mandate of the Peace Force, or in case of resumption of hostilities between former parties to an armed conflict*
- 15.30 – 16.00      *Coffee/tea with scones and donuts*
- 16.00 – 17.30      **General Discussion (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**  
*AI applications in the military domain: Navigating between mitigating risks and using opportunities?*
- Free evening*

### **Thursday 22 May 2025**

- 08.30 – 10.15      **General Discussion (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**  
*International law perspectives on the cyber warrior in hybrid and full-scale conflict*
- 10.15 – 10.45      *Coffee/tea with biscuits*
- 10.45 – 12.30      **General Discussion (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**  
*Economic and social rights of the members of the armed forces*
- 12.30 – 13.30      *Lunch*
- 13.30 – 15.15      **General Discussion (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**  
*The legal framework for Coast Guards and Navies to protect critical infrastructure at sea*
- 15.15 – 15.45      **Special Presentation (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**  
*The International Society for Military Law and the Law of War and its ongoing and future projects*
- 15.45 – 16.15      *Coffee/tea with scones, sticky pastries, and granola pots*
- 16.15 – 17.30      **Special Presentation (Ballyvaughan Suite, Galway Bay Hotel)**  
*Enhancing stabilisation and strategic partnership in a post-conflict environment*
- Free evening*

**Friday 23 May 2025**  
**(Optional)**

**Choice A: The Diamond Hill Hike (Lower + Upper Trail) in Connemara**

Good mobility and decent fitness level required.

In case of bad weather conditions persons signing up for this option will be offered an alternative programme.

**Choice B: Day tour in Connemara**

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**Saturday 24 May 2025**

*Departure of Participants*

**Supporting Partners of the Seminar**

Irish Centre for Human Rights, University of Galway



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