

**War Crimes Conference
Programme
IALS 19-21 February 2009**

THURSDAY

10.00-11.00 Registration and Coffee

11.00-12.15 **Opening Plenary:** Lesley Abdela, *After the War is Over.....* (Chair: Judith Rowbotham, NTU)

12.15-1.30 Lunch

1.30-3.0 Session 1: Parallel Sessions

Session 1A: Historical Contexts 1, WWII (Chair: Michael Kandiah, CCBH)

André Hertrich (Halle U/Tokyo U) *The Batavia Trials and the 'Comfort Women' Issue*

Effie Pedaliu (UWE), *Lessons from the Past? Britain and Italy's Guilty Secret*

Lorie Charlesworth (LJMU) *Is This How to Do It? The Belsen and Auschwitz Trial, the first British Investigation and Prosecution in Occupied Germany, 1945*

Session 1B Media and War (Chair: Judith Rowbotham, NTU)

Arzoo Syeddah *Roles for the Media? The Example of Rwanda*

Lawrence Dulu Adrawa (African Development and Peace Initiative), *The ICC in Uganda and the dynamics surrounding the Juba Peace Talks*

Kate Wright (Roehampton) *How Do We Get Audiences to Give a Damn About the Congo? What Sort of a Damn Do We Want Them to Give?*

3.30-4.00 Tea

4.00-5.30 Session 2: Parallel Sessions

Session 2A: Ad Hoc Tribunals (Chair: Sandeep Gopalan, Reading U)

Timothy W. Waters (Indiana U) *Death Comes for the Tribunal: Legal and Moral Hierarchies in Bagaragaza*

Valérie Arnould (KCL) *The politics of transitional justice in the Democratic Republic in the Congo*

Iryna Marchuk (Copenhagen U) *Prosecution for War Crimes in the Special Court for Sierra Leone*

Session 2B: Historical Contexts 2: The Wider Vision? (Chair: David Fraser, Nottingham U)

Judith Rowbotham, (NTU) *The Issue for Historians: Do We Recategorise the Past?*

Shirley Whitfield (LMU) *The Problem of the 'franc tireur': German War Crimes in 1914*

Frank Macdonough (LJMU) *How the Nazis dealt with an German Family who Opposed it: a case study of three Gestapo investigations and trials*

5.30-6.30 **Plenary:** Konrad Kwiet (University of Sydney) *A Historian's View: The War Crimes Debate Down Under* (Chair: Lorie Charlesworth, LJMU)

6.45-7.30: **Opening Round Table and Wine Reception:** *Themes and Issues for the Conference* Contributors include: Hon Shireen Fisher, Lesley Abdela, Erasmus Migyikra (Chair: Lorie Charlesworth, LJMU)

8.00 Dinner

FRIDAY

9.00-10.30 Session 3: Parallel Sessions

Session 3A: War Crimes Tribunals 1: Bosnia (Chair: Hon Shireen Fisher)

Toby Cadman (Formerly Prosecutor's Office, Bosnia-Herzegovina) *The Bosnian 'model' for War Crimes Prosecutions*

Iva Vukušić (Prosecutor's Office, Special War Crimes Dept) *Challenges to national efforts in war crimes prosecution: the example of Bosnia and Herzegovina*

Alma Dedic (UNDP) *International vs. National Tribunals – Consequences and/or Standards Set: Case of Bosnia and Herzegovina*

Session 3b War Crimes Tribunals 2: Wider Implications (Chair: Arzoo Fatima Syeddah)

Gillian Wigglesworth *Trial of Charles Taylor*

Artur Appazov (Copenhagen U) *Expert Evidence: Expert Witnesses or Experts for International Criminal Procedure?*

10.30-11.00 Coffee

11.00-12.30 Session 4: Parallel Sessions

Session 4A. Theoretical conceptions 1 (Chair: Maria Varaki)

Dewi Williams (Staffordshire U) *Challenging 'The Crime of Crimes'*

Alejandro Chehtman (UCL) *Drawing the Line: a Jurisdictional Theory of International Crimes.*

Gregory Kent (Roehampton U) *Why Srebrenica? International Tribunals and the Disparate Interpretation of the Genocide Convention*

Session 4B: Exploring the Issues: Making Sense of War Crimes (Chair: David Fraser, Nottingham)

Alan Norrie (KCL) *Justice on the Slaughter-Bench: the Problem of War Guilt in Arendt and Jaspers*

Norman Erwin (Waterloo U) *Making Sense of Mass Murder: Torontonians, Media, and the Liberation of the Concentration Camps*

David Seymour (Lancaster U), *From Jerusalem to Gaza: Law, Ethics and Holocaust*

12.30-1.30 Lunch

1.30-3.00 Session 5: Parallel Sessions

Session 5A Regulating the 'Evils' of War Crime (Chair: Bonita Meyersfield)

Douglas Guilfoyle (UCL) *Trying Cain: International War Crimes, Due Process and Collective Evil*

Regina Rauxloh (Surrey U) *Private Military Firms and the ICC*

Session 5B: Historising Contexts 4: Theory and Human Rights (Chair: Judith Rowbotham, NTU)

Silke Studzinsky (DED/ADHOC) *Victims as Civil Parties before the Extraordinary Chambers of the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC)- Challenge or mission impossible?*

Jose Pablo Baraybar (EPAF, Peru) *The Humanitarian umbrella: combining retributive and restorative justice in the search for the missing*

3.00-3.30 Tea

3.30-4.30 **Plenary** David Fraser (Nottingham U) *Indiana Steinberg and the Shoah at Gnivan. History, Alibis and Australian War Crimes Trials (Chair: Michael Kandiah, CCBH)*

4.45-6.15 Session 6: Parallel Sessions

Session 6A Gendering Victims? Perspectives on War Crimes (Chair: Lesley Abdela, Eyecatcher)

Daniela De Vito (Roehampton U) *Rape as Genocide*

Bonita Meyersfeld (Legal & Parliamentary Advisor, Lords) *Deficiencies in the Prosecution of Gender-Specific War Crimes*

Rirhandu Mageza-Barthel (Goethe U, Frankfurt) *Lobbying for Justice: Sexual Violence as a War Crime in post-1994 Rwanda*

Session 6B, Guantanamo and the American System (Chair: H Candace Gorman)

Michel Paradis (Dept of Defense, Washington) *Defending People and the Rule of Law at Guantanamo Bay*

Melissa Epstein Mills (Gibson Dunn) *Hamdaniyah: A Case Study of the American System of War Crimes Prosecution*

Joe McMillan (Perkins Coie) *War Crimes Prosecution Under the United States Military Commissions Act: The Trial of Salim Hamdan by Military Commission at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Station*

6.30-7.15 Reception

Accompanying Event: 6.30-7.15 *Performance in IALS Council Chamber: Anniversary – An Act of Memory (60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights)* Monica Ross

7.30 Conference Dinner

SATURDAY

9.00-10.30 **Session 7**

Different Conceptualisations of 'War Crime' (Chair: Sandeep Gopalan, Reading U)

Peter Rushton & Gwenda Morgan (Sunderland U) *War, Crime and Rebellion; The Problem of Legal Order in the American Revolution*

Andrew Rudyk (John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY) *Hostes Humani Generi: Pirates, Slave Traders: American Torturers and Their Government Attorneys*

Edward Philips (Greenwich U) *Crimes against Humanity: War Crimes and Cultural Property*

10.30-11.00 Coffee

11.00-1.00 **Session 8: Parallel Sessions**

Session 8a: War Crimes Trials – the challenges (Chair: Lorie Charlesworth, LJMU)

Sari Wastell & Kirsten Campbell (Goldsmiths) *The Scales of Crisis and Conciliation: From the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia to the Bosnian War Crimes Section, State Court*

Maria Varaki (Irish Human Rights Centre, Galway) *Law, Politics and the ICC*

H Candace Gorman, *Representing Victims Before the ICC*

Session 8b: War Crimes in National Jurisdictions (Chair: Michael Kandiah, CCBH)

Jo-Marie Burt (George Mason U), *A President on Trial: Peru's Efforts to Achieve Justice After Atrocity*

Juan Santos Vara (Salamanca U) *The Contribution of the Spanish Courts to Prosecuting War Crimes*

Dawn Sedman (Oxford Brookes U) *The Transfer of Defendants to the Rwandese National Jurisdiction for Prosecution under the Tribunal's Rule II bis Powers*

1.00-1.45 Lunch

1.45-3.15 **Session 9**

Who should be prosecuted? Theoretical conceptions, 2 (Chair: Lorie Charlesworth, CCBH)

Cissa Wa Numbe (UNA-DRC) *Issues of Legality and Justification: the Binding Legal Framework and the Bi-Partisan Role of the ICC*

Andrew Sanger (LSE), *Corporate Civil Liability for Post-hoc Complicity in Breaches of the Fourth Geneva Convention in Occupied Territories*

Sandeep Gopalan (Reading U) *Bush and Co: War Criminals?*

3.15-4.15 **Plenary** David Sugarman (Lancaster U) *A Battleground of Memory and Justice. Chile Since the 1973 Coup* (Chair: Judith Rowbotham, NTU)

4.15-5.15 **Tea and Closing Round Table Discussion: Policies and Practices – Ways Forward?**