

2017 Canadian Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Conference

Room 1-42 | Balsillie School of International Affairs | 67 Erb Street West, Waterloo, ON | November 14th, 2017

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08:30 – 09:00	Registration & Refreshments	
09:05 – 09:15	Welcome and Opening Remarks	John Ravenhill , Director, Balsillie School of International Affairs
09:15 – 10:45	International Humanitarian Law 101	<p>Jonathan Somer, Interim Senior Legal Advisor, IHL, Canadian Red Cross</p> <p>Andrew Carswell, Senior Delegate, International Committee of the Red Cross</p> <p>Sabrina Henry, Legal and Policy Officer, Canadian Red Cross and International Committee of the Red Cross, Canadian Delegation</p>
10:45 – 11:00	Break	
11:00 – 12:05	<p>Panel 1: Distinction</p> <p><i>Are all Combatants Equal?</i></p> <p><i>UN Peace Operations and Use of Force: Peacekeepers as Parties to the Conflict?</i></p> <p><i>Drones Warfare: Extra-judicial targeted killings and IHL</i></p>	<p><u>Moderator:</u> Andrew Carswell, Senior Delegate to Canada, International Committee of the Red Cross</p> <p>Dr. Edmund Pries, Assistant Professor, Global Studies, Religion and Culture and Social Entrepreneurship, Wilfrid Laurier University</p> <p>Dr. Timothy Donais, Associate Professor, Department of Global Studies, Wilfrid Laurier University</p> <p>Dr. Sara Matthews, Associate Professor, Wilfrid Laurier University</p>
12:05 – 12:35	Question and Answer Period	
12:35 – 13:35	Lunch	



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13:35 – 14:40	<p>Panel 2: Humanitarian Disarmament</p> <p><i>From Landmines to Nuclear Weapons How Humanitarian Disarmament Contributes to IHL</i></p> <p><i>Arms Trade Treaty: Controlling Arms Exports</i></p> <p><i>Anti-Personnel Landmine Ban and Non-State Armed Groups</i></p>	<p><u>Moderator:</u> Sabrina Henry, Legal and Policy Officer, Canadian Red Cross and International Committee of the Red Cross, Canadian Delegation</p> <p>Paul Hannon, Executive Director, Mines Action Canada</p> <p>Ken Epps, Senior Policy Advisor, Arms Trade Treaty, Project Ploughshares</p> <p>Jonathan Somer, Interim Senior Legal Advisor, IHL, Canadian Red Cross</p>
14:40 – 15:10	Question and Answer Period	
15:10 – 15:25	Break	
15:25 – 16:50	<p>Panel 3: Contemporary Issues</p> <p><i>Reconciling IHL with counter-terrorism</i></p> <p><i>Recognizing the Child: the Rights of Children in Conflict and Violence</i></p> <p><i>Employing International Humanitarian Law: Disability Experiences in Syria and South Sudan</i></p> <p><i>Why IHL Matters: A Peace Studies Perspective</i></p>	<p><u>Moderator:</u> Rachel Reist, Undergraduate Officer & Internship Coordinator for Peace and Conflict Studies, Conrad Grebel University College</p> <p>Andrew Carswell, Senior Delegate, International Committee of the Red Cross</p> <p>Dr. Alexandra R. Harrington, Lead Counsel, Peace, Justice & Accountability Programme, Centre for International Sustainable Development Law</p> <p>Sarah Murray, PhD candidate at the Balsillie School of International Affairs and Wilfrid Laurier University</p> <p>Lowell Ewert, Associate Professor, Peace and Conflict Studies, Conrad Grebel University College</p>
16:50 – 17:15	Question and Answer Period	
17:15 – 17:30	Closing Remarks	Svetlana Ageeva , Advisor IHL, Ontario, Canadian Red Cross
17:30 – 18:30	Reception	

