



Morning conference organised by the Belgian Group of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

The 75th Anniversary of the adoption of the Geneva Conventions of August 12, 1949

**18-10-2024
Prince Albert Club
Brussels**

- 09.15 – 09.45 **Arrival of participants & coffee/tea**
- 09.45 – 10.00 **Opening of the conference**
Alfons VANHEUSDEN, Session Director of the Belgian Group of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
- 10.00 – 10.20 **Keynote speech – The ICRC's reflections on the fundamental role of the 1949 Geneva Conventions**
Dr. Knut DÖRMANN, Head of the Delegation to the EU, NATO and the Kingdom of Belgium, ICRC
- 10.20 – 10.50 **The status and treatment of prisoners of war**
First Lieutenant (Army) Jan DE GOLDS, Project Officer for the second edition of Belgium's Operational Law Manual, DG Legal Support, Belgian Ministry of Defence
- 10.50 – 11.20 **Protecting civilians under international humanitarian law**
Captain (Air Force) Karel PEETERS, Operational Law Section, DG Legal Support, Belgian Ministry of Defence
- 11.20 – 11.30 **Short break**
- 11.30 – 12.00 **The safeguards of the 1949 Geneva Conventions in the face of military use of Artificial Intelligence**
Ann-Katrien OIMANN, PhD Candidate, Social and Military Sciences Faculty, Royal Military Academy, in collaboration with KU Leuven
- 12.00 – 12.30 **The jurisprudence of the International Criminal Court and the development of international humanitarian law**
Dr. Ondrej SVACEK, Assistant Professor and Senior Researcher in Public International Law, Centre for International Humanitarian and Operational Law, Palacky University
- 12.30 – 12.40 **Closing of the conference**
- 12.40 **Lunch offered to the speakers**

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