Ensuring and Balancing the Rights of Defendants and Victims at International and Hybrid Criminal Courts

Programme

Tøyen Hovedgård, Oslo
30th -31st August 2018

Thursday 30th August 2018

08:30-09:00  Registration

09:00-09:15  Welcome
Geir Ulfstein, Juan Pablo Pérez-Léon-Acevedo, and Joanna Nicholson, Pluricourts, University of Oslo

09:15-10:15  Keynote Address
Professor William Schabas, University of Middlesex

10:15-10:30  Coffee Break

PART ONE: BALANCING THE RIGHTS OF VICTIMS AND THE ACCUSED

10:30-12:00  Panel 1.
Chaired by Geir Ulfstein, Director of Pluricourts, University of Oslo

For Better or Worse: The Rights of Defendants and Victims before the African Court of Justice and Human Rights
Oliver Windridge, Consultant, Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law, British Institute for International and Comparative Law

The Rights of Defendants and Victims at the International Criminal Court: References to internationally recognized human rights
Sergii Masol, PhD Candidate, European University Institute

Destruction of Cultural Heritage before the ICC: The Influence of Human Rights on Reparations Proceedings for the Victims and Accused
Haydée Dijkstal, International Criminal Law and Human Rights Attorney
Protecting victims who testify before the ICC: tensions and balances with the defendant’s right to a fair trial  
**Rossella Pulvirenti, PhD candidate, University of Nottingham**

12:00-13:00  Buffet Lunch

**PART TWO: THE RIGHTS OF VICTIMS**

13:00-14:30  Panel 2.  
*Chaired by Gentian Zyberi, Director of the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo*

- The Complexity of Victimhood and the Right to Reparations  
  **Diana Tietjens Meyers, Professor Emerita of Philosophy, University of Connecticut**

- The Legal Effect of a reparations Order and the Rights of those Persons Subject to it  
  **Anthony Abato, Associate Legal Officer, International Criminal Court**

- Assessing Victim Participation during Sentencing at the International Criminal Court  
  **Juan Pablo Pérez-Léon-Acevedo, Postdoctoral Fellow, Pluricourts, University of Oslo**

- The Politics of Victims Participation in the International Criminal Court  
  **Kirsten Bowman, PhD Candidate, Uppsala University**

19:00  Conference Dinner  
Festningen Restaurant (Myntgata 9, 0151 Oslo)

**Friday 18 May 2018**

8:45-9:00  Morning Coffee

**PART THREE: THE RIGHTS OF THE ACCUSED**

9:00-10:45  Panel 3.  
*Chaired by Nobuo Hayashi, University of Oslo*

- Too high, too low or just fair enough? Finding Legitimacy through the Accused’s Right to a Fair Trial  
  **Joanna Nicholson, Postdoctoral Researcher, Pluricourts, University of Oslo**

- Fair Trial Rights and International Procedural Decisions Relating to Evidence  
  **Rogier Bartels, Legal Officer, International Criminal Court**
Useful in Theory, Useless in Practice? The right of the defence to challenge the jurisdiction of international criminal courts and tribunals
Michail Vagias, Senior Lecturer in Law, The Hague University of Applied Sciences

Resisting the Use of UNSC Smart Sanctions against ICC Defendants
Alice Riccardi, Research Fellow, Roma Tre University

The Flipside of Complementarity: Double Jeopardy at the International Criminal Court
Patryk Labuda, Researcher, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights

10:45-11:05 Coffee Break

11:05-12:35 Panel 4.
Chaired by Juan-Pablo Pérez-Léon-Acevedo, Pluricourts, University of Oslo

The Presence of the Accused during Trial: Bridging the Gap between Mandatory Presence and In Absentia Trials
Talita de Souza Dias, DPhil candidate, University of Oxford and Tsvetelina Johannes van Benthem, MPhil candidate, University of Oxford

Justice in the Absence of the Accused: Can the rights of victims be fully vindicated without the participation of the accused?
Caleb Wheeler, PhD Candidate, Middlesex University

Until Proven Guilty before the Court: The aftermath of international criminal law cases on the human rights of those tried
Marie O’Leary, Legal Adviser, International Criminal Court

Reconciliation through Retribution: balancing the rights of the victim and the offender
Dejana Radisavljević, PhD Candidate, University of Sheffield

12:35-12:50 Concluding Remarks
Joanna Nicholson and Juan-Pablo Pérez-Léon-Acevedo, Pluricourts, University of Oslo