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Raphael Lemkin Seminar for Genocide Prevention

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Attendee List

Participants



Dr. Lilia Bouguira



Member, Truth and Dignity Commission, Tunisia

In October 2013, Dr. Bouguira was unanimously elected by the Constituent Assembly of the People to be a member of the Commission on Truth and Dignity where she still serves. The department's mission is to make the truth about serious or systematized violations by regimes that ruled Tunisia from 1955 to 2013 known. At the end of their mission in June 2018, they issue a report to the public that will detail their findings and lay out their recommendations moving forward. The Commission will honor victims and the Tunisian people by retaining a national working memory.

Lilia Bouguira is also a geriatric and adolescent specialist. She has worked in public health since 1990. Since the Tunisian revolution in 2011, she has become involved in civil society and worked as a volunteer doctor for the wounded of the revolution. She cared for and treated the people while the government forgot them. In 2013, she published a book in France entitled "A woman standing or the hidden face of the Tunisian Revolution," which gives testimony from those wounded in the revolution.

Dr. Bouguira has also monitored detention facilities as a medical expert and trainer in Jordan, Morocco, and especially Tunisia. She has worked with Tunisian prisoners on hunger strike to track and save them from imminent death in prison. In 2012-2013 she worked with Human Rights Watch through her monitoring visits to prepare the first report on the role of Tunisian detention facilities and make recommendations to the Ministry of Interior. She has also worked with imprisoned Tunisian terrorists who have been given a sentence from ten to thirty years.



Ms. Irene Jansen



Desk Officer, Early Warning and Scenario Planning, Federal Foreign Office, Germany

Irene Jansen works for the German Federal Foreign Office. She recently joined the Unit "Early Warning and Scenario Planning" in the Directorate General for Crisis Prevention, Stabilization and Post Conflict Reconstruction and is mainly responsible for the topic of the "Responsibility to Protect." During her law studies at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität in Munich, Irene Jansen specialized in European and International Public Law. After her studies, she interned in the Human Rights Unit of the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations in New York.

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Mr. Edmund Bon Tai Soon



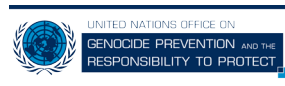
Representative of Malaysia to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights

Edmund studied law at University College London, and was called to the English Bar (Lincoln's Inn) in 1997. He was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 1998, and has been in active practice since then. Edmund is a Chevening scholar and has a Master's degree from Oxford University.

In 2008, Edmund was appointed to advise a Chief Minister and the State Government and since then has been dealing with – both as a contract negotiator and litigator – major issues pertaining to the management of State resources. He was previously a 5-time elected member of the Malaysian Bar Council and chaired the Constitutional Law (2009-2011), Human Rights (2007-2009) and National Young Lawyers (2006-2008) committees. After a break of five years, Edmund recently ran for election and was elected to the Bar Council for the term of 2016-2017.

Edmund is regularly invited to speak at local and international conferences on constitutional law and on human rights advocacy. He has conducted more than 800 hours of training for young lawyers and activists on similar topics. His articles and papers have been published in law journals and by the news media. Edmund's latest published work is in the Halsbury's Laws of Malaysia, entitled "Citizenship, Immigration, National Security and the Police".

Most recently, Edmund was appointed as Malaysia's Representative to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR).



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Mr. Augusto Bazan



Director of Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Peru

Augusto Bazán, a Foreign Service officer with 25 years of experience, has specialized in Human Rights and Humanitarian International Law. After serving 5 years as Second Secretary at the Embassy of Peru in Bolivia, he was reassigned as the Coordinator of the Office of Legal Affairs for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Perú in Lima. He is an attorney with a Bachelor Degree in Law (BA) from the Pontifical Catholic University of Perú.

He was then assigned as the desk officer for Human Rights at the Permanent Mission of Peru to the Organization of American States in Washington D.C. between 2001 and 2007. There, he was responsible for the follow-up of all Peruvian cases before the Inter American System of Human Rights. He took advantage of his sojourn in DC to obtain an LLM Degree in International Legal Studies with the specialty of International Human Rights at the American University Washington College of Law. Once back at Lima, he was Deputy Director of Human Rights at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Perú between 2007 and 2010.

Between 2013 and 2015, after being deputy Consul General in Rio de Janeiro, he was reassigned to the Permanent Mission of Peru to UNESCO where he was responsible for the World and Intangible Heritage affairs and its protection by the Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict.

Once back in Peru, he was appointed Director of Human Rights at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. As such, he is President of the National Commission of Refugees, Focal Point of R2P, and other responsibilities.



Ms. Susan Ostria Milán



Third Secretary, General Direction for Foreign Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Uruguay

A career diplomat, Third Secretary Susan Ostria joined the Foreign Service of Uruguay in 2014. At headquarters in the Foreign Ministry, she has served in the Division of Multilateral Affairs and the Work Unit for the United Nations Security Council. Currently, she serves in the General Direction for Foreign Policy.

Fluent in three languages – Spanish, English, and Portuguese- and a background in International Relations, Secretary Susan Ostria is a Focal Point of the Latin American Network for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention, a leading initiative promoting capacities and policies in this field.

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Mr. Dismas Nkunda



Chair, Uganda National Committee for the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, War Crimes, Crimes Against Humanity and All Forms of Discrimination and Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer, Atrocities Watch - Africa.

Dismas Nkunda, a well recognized Ugandan, made his mark on the African scene through journalism and his work on humanitarian assistance, human rights and international and regional development agendas in relation to the protection of basic human rights, rule of law, good governance and basic freedoms. He is a frequent speaker before the UN, African Union, regional economic communities, international and local media outlets, and other world forums on the plight of the poor. He also speaks about the rights of the less privileged, good governance, freedom of association, rights of movement, international justice and accountability, and the Responsibility to Protect.

Mr. Nkunda is the Acting Chair of the Uganda National Committee for Prevention and Punishment of Genocide, a role he assumed in 2013. He is the Founder and former Director of the International Refugee Rights Initiative (IRRI), based in New York (USA) and Kampala (Uganda) with offices in London and Dakar. He was also the Africa Coordinator of the International Refugee Program at Human Rights First, in the USA, where he was responsible for designing, coordinating and implementing advocacy strategies to enhance refugee protection in Africa.



Dr. Sriprapha Petchamesree



Former Representative of Thailand to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights; Director, Ph.D. Program in Human Rights and Peace Studies (International), Mahidol University, Thailand

Dr. Sriprapha Petchamesree is currently a full time faculty member at the Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies, Mahidol University, Thailand. She received her first degree in political science from Thammasat University, her D.E.A. in Comparative Politics, and then a Ph.D. in International Politics with distinction from the University of Paris-X Nanterre, France.

She began her human rights efforts as a social worker at UNICEF's Emergency Operations for Cambodian Refugees. Since the 1990s, she has been active in the field of human rights both among the academic community and among human rights advocates/activists at national, regional and international levels. She has been working closely with NGOs, grassroots organizations and some marginalized groups, ethnic minorities, migrant workers, asylum seekers, etc. Her recent works focus on issues of citizenship, migration, statelessness, rights to development, and human rights in ASEAN. In October 2009, she was appointed by the Thai government as the Thai Representative to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights in which she served until December 2012. She is Co-Chair of the Working Group for an ASEAN Human Rights Mechanism advocating for effective regional human rights systems in ASEAN.

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Ms. Laura Ramírez Barrios



Diplomat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Argentina

Laura Ramírez Barrios is a lawyer and a career diplomat, currently dealing with Human Rights issues at the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Prior to her present duties, she was Chargée d'Affaires at the Argentine Embassy in Sweden from September 2011 to April 2015, and served in diplomatic posts in Spain and Switzerland. Between 2002 and 2007, Ms. Ramírez Barrios was head of the Directorate of Women of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In this capacity, she participated in meetings and working groups relating to gender issues at the United Nations, the Organization of American States and the MERCOSUR and represented Argentina in international conferences on this topic.

In terms of academic activities, Ms. Ramírez Barrios worked as Associate Professor of International Law at the University of Buenos Aires (1985-1988) and participated in the UNITAR International Law Fellowship Program at the Academy of The Hague (1986). She holds a Master's in International Relations from the University Complutense of Madrid, Spain (1991), a Law Degree from National Northeastern University of Argentina and graduated from the Argentine Institute of the National Foreign Service. She speaks Spanish, English, French, Italian, Swedish and is conversant in German.



Ms. Shara Duncan



Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations

Shara Duncan is a lawyer and Notary Public from the Universidad de Costa Rica and a specialist in human rights. She currently serves as Minister Counsellor in the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations. She has been an Advisor to the Office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica on issues of international litigation. She has her Masters in Human Rights and Peace Education from the Universidad Nacional in Costa Rica. She graduated from the Summer Course of Public International Law from The Hague Academy of International Law and the XXIV Interdisciplinary Course on Human Rights, Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, San Jose. She joined the Diplomatic Service in 2006, and has served at Headquarters as the Coordinator of Programmes with South America in the International Aid for Development Department and also served as a Coordinator of the Human Rights and Human Security area.

She has also served as a Counsellor and Consul of Costa Rica in Rivas, Nicaragua and in the Netherlands, where she was in charge of issues related to International Criminal Justice. She also served as a Human Rights Advisor to the Former Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and was appointed as Focal Point of Costa Rica for the Latin American Network for the Prevention of Genocide and Executive Secretary of the Interinstitutional Commission for compliance and implementation of international human rights obligations of Costa Rica.

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Mr. Salah Eddine Bahji



Director of Organization, Methods and Information Systems, National Human Rights Council, Kingdom of Morocco

Salah Eddine Bahji is currently the Director of Organization, Methods and Information Systems at the National Human Rights Council of Morocco (Moroccan National Institution of Human Rights). He has previously worked for the Moroccan Pension Fund as Project Manager.

He is currently undertaking his Ph.D. in Technology-Enhanced Learning, at the Mohammadia School of Engineers (Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco). He also holds a certificate in "International Human Rights Law and Personal Data Protection" from the International Institute of Human Rights (Strasbourg-France), and a certificate in "e-Government" from the Global e-Policy and e-Government Institute (Sung Kyun Kwan University, Seoul, South Korea).

Within the NHRC, he works primarily on the design and implementation of the "Information Systems of Human Rights Protection", covering two main dimensions: The first is to provide the NHRC a manual of procedures concerning the fields of protection and prevention. The second is to provide the NHRC with computerized systems that support the management of complaints, the management of visits to sites where there has been cases of deprivation of liberty, the management of investigations and inquiries, the monitoring of human rights, etc.

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Dr. Roba D. Sharamo



Commissioner, National Cohesion and Integration Commission of Kenya; Member, Kenya National Committee for the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, War Crimes, Crimes Against Humanity and All Forms of Discrimination

Dr. Roba D. Sharamo has over 15 years experience in international development, diplomacy and conflict analysis and resolution where he worked in senior management positions with the Government of Kenya, non-governmental organizations and a leading think-tank, the Institute for Security Studies in Addis Ababa and Nairobi, among other international institutions. He received his Doctorate in Conflict Analysis and Resolution from George Mason University (USA) in 2012. His doctoral dissertation is entitled, "Predatory Politics and Struggles of Peacemaking in Somalia," at George Mason University, Arlington, Virginia, US. Dr. Sharamo has a Master's in Sustainable International Development from Brandeis University, Boston, USA, 2002 and a Bachelor of Science (Environmental Studies) from Kenyatta University, Nairobi, Kenya, 1998. He has lectured and made presentations at numerous regional and international conferences and published key articles on peace and security in Africa. He also co-edited a book with Berouk Mesfin entitled Regional Security in Post-Cold War Horn of Africa (April 2011); and The State of Human Security in Africa (co-edited with C. Ayangafac) in April 2012.



Ms. Hasna Tribak



Director of Department of Legal Studies and International Cooperation, Interministerial Delegation for Human Rights, Kingdom of Morocco

Hasna Tribak is the Director of the Department of Legal Studies and International Cooperation of Morocco's Interministerial Delegate for Human Rights. On behalf of the Interministerial Delegation, she contributes to the organization of a regional workshop on torture prevention in times of transition in North Africa, with the APT in June of 2012. She has followed all stages of the Operational Protocol to the Convention Against Torture ratification process in Morocco since. In October 2012, she also contributed to the organization of a wrap-up expert meeting in Rabat, which marked the culmination of the process initiated by the OHCHR, bringing together conclusions and recommendations from the expert workshops and resulting in the adoption of the Rabat Plan of Action on the prohibition of advocacy of national, racial or religious hatred that constitutes incitement to discrimination, hostility or violence. More recently, she contributed to the organization of a forum on the Role of Religious Leaders in Preventing Incitement that could lead to Atrocity Crimes in Fez, Morocco (April 23-24, 2015).

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Ms. Angkhana Neelapaijit



Commissioner, National Human Rights Commission, Thailand

Angkhana Neelapaijit was born into a Muslim family in Bangkok, Thailand, where she grew up. She graduated from Santa Cruz Convent School and the Faculty of Nurse at Mahidol University. Mrs. Neelapaijit became a Human Rights activist after her husband, who is a prominent Human Rights Lawyer, was kidnapped by a group of police officers and has disappeared since 12 March 2004. She is the founder and Chairwomen of Justice for Peace Foundation and worked relentlessly to help victims of human rights abuses in Thailand especially in southernmost provinces where there has been serious conflict and violence. The mission has made her one of Thailand's most prominent human rights defenders.

Because of her significant efforts in promoting Human Rights and Peace, Amnesty International has praised her as "A leading human rights defenders in the South of Thailand." Her dedication has won her several international human rights awards, including the Gwangju Prize for Human Rights, honored by the European Parliament as "Women Human Rights Defender" in 2006, and honored "De Chevalier De l'Ordre de la Le'gion d'Honneur" from the French President Nicolas Sarkozy for her outstanding work in human rights protection in December 2010. In July 2013, she was admired and acknowledged by the Senate House as "Prominent Women Human Rights Defender." In December 2014, for the commemoration of the Anniversary of Human Rights Day worldwide, Mrs. Neelapaijit was honored by UN Women as "Women of Achievement."

Khun Angkhana also was a member of the Constitutional Drafting Committee and Member of the Constitutional Assembly in 2007. At present, she is the National Human Rights Commissioner of Thailand.

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Mr. Henry Baldelomar Chávez



General Counsel, Ministry of the Autonomy, Plurinational State of Bolivia

Graduating from the Universidad Católica de Córdoba in Argentina, Henry Baldelomar Chávez obtained his bachelor degree in Political Science and International Relations. Additionally, he obtained a certified diploma on Public Management for Territorial Development from Universidad Andina Simón Bolívar and Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO, Chile) and Superior Education. He has received his Master's in Business Administration from the Universidad Nur, Santa Cruz, Bolivia. He is currently a professor at Universidad Gabriel René Moreno and Universidad Nur in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. Within his academic career he has held different positions as Dean of the Faculty of Social Science and Humanities, Program Director of International Relations, Program Director of the Master's program in International Trade and Director of the Conciliation Centre of Universidad Nur (Santa Cruz, Bolivia).

In the public sector, he has worked as Departmental Director of Autonomies in Santa Cruz; Departmental Director of Migration; Vice-minister of Citizen Security; Coordinator of the National Observatory on Citizen Security and General Director of Citizen Security and Crime Prevention at the Ministry of Interior, Bolivia. Currently he is a General Adviser of the Ministry of Autonomies.



Ms. Sambwa Simbyakula



Acting Principal Counsel, International Law and Agreements Department, Ministry of Justice, Zambia

Ms. Sambwa Simbyakula holds a Bachelor of Laws Degree from the University of Zambia and a Master of Laws Degree in Human Rights from the University of Cape Town, South Africa. She is an Advocate of the High Court for Zambia. She started her career as a Learner Legal Practitioner in 2007 at Messrs. Mulenga Mundashi and Company. In 2010, she was employed as an Associate Advocate at Messrs Lewis Nathan Advocates where she worked in the Financial Markets and Commercial Law Division. In 2012, Ms. Simbyakula joined the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Zambia as a State Advocate. She is currently holding the position of Acting Principal Counsel in the International Law and Agreements Department where her main responsibilities are rendering advice to the government on matters related to human rights, public international law, humanitarian law and other general legal issues; negotiating, scrutinizing and drafting domestic, bilateral and multilateral agreements on behalf of the Government of Zambia and the preparation and presentation of State Party Reports under the various human rights treaties that Zambia has ratified.

By virtue of her position, Ms. Simbyakula sits on various Committees and Boards where she represents the Attorney General of the Republic of Zambia. She is a member of the National Coordination Mechanism (NCM) of the Great Lakes Region in Zambia and is also a member of the Regional Genocide Prevention Committee of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR).

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Mr. Shree Krishna Subedi

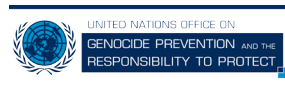


Member, Truth and Reconciliation Commission, Nepal

Before being appointed as a member of the TRC, Shree Krishna Subedi worked as the President of Public Interest Law Advocacy and Litigation (PILAL) Nepal. PILAL Nepal was established by PIL Net International Fellows of Nepal as a nonprofit sharing organization (National NGO) in 2010. Shree Krishna is also a founding member of Young Lawyers for Human Rights.

Shree Krishna Subedi also holds a membership with the Nepal Bar Association and World Society of Victimology. During his tenure at INHURED International (a national NGO working in the area of Human Rights) as Executive Director between 2007 and 2013, he coordinated a Comprehensive Peace Agreement monitoring project that was developed to monitor the implementation of the agreement across the country.

Shree Krishna has completed an LL.B and M.A. in Political Science from Tribhuvan University of Nepal. He has also participated in the PIL Net International Fellowship (2006-07) at Columbia University (USA), in which he developed a project on transitional justice in Nepal. As a part of the Fellowship, he completed an internship at International Center for Transitional Justice Headquarter in New York. In addition, he has earned a Postgraduate Diploma in Victimology and Victim Assistance Program from Tokiwa University (Japan) in 2008, and a Postgraduate Diploma in the Refugee Rights Advocacy Programs from York University, (UK) in 2011. He has written/researched/edited/co-edited more than twenty books related to Transitional Justice, Human Rights, Legal Rights and Education, Comprehensive Peace Agreements, among others. He has also published several articles related with Transitional Justice and Human Rights in national daily newspapers and journals.



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Ms. Nancy W. Ikinu

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Treasurer, Federation of Women Lawyers - Kenya; Member, Kenya National Committee for the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, War Crimes, Crimes Against Humanity and All Forms of Discrimination

Nancy Ikinu is an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya and has practiced law for twenty-five years. She holds a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) in international relations from the University of Nairobi. Nancy is passionate about women's and children's rights and is currently the Treasurer of the International Federation of Women Lawyers – Kenya Chapter (FIDA KENYA) a non-governmental organization that advocates for women's rights. Nancy is also a member of the Kenya National Committee on the Prevention of Genocide and serves in the Rules and Resource Mobilization sub-committees.

Nancy has served as a leader of many organizations and was for four years the Chairperson of the Mbagathi District Hospital, an Administration that caters to the low-income earners of the Nairobi County. During her tenure as the Chair, a new maternity wing was opened that has reduced the infant child mortality rate in the region. Nancy also sits on several boards including the Law Society of Kenya Sacco and was the founder of the Law Society of Kenya Housing Sacco.



Mr. Fadhili Jackson Manyaki



Peacebuilding Specialist, Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, Tanzania

Fadhili Jackson Manyaki is a Training Coordinator for Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding at the Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies—Africa based in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania. He has been working in this field since 2012. He has also worked as a consultant with several organizations including SPLM North (Sudan People's Liberation Movement-North) as a humanitarian programs advisor, the Forum of Parliaments of the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region (FPICGLR) as the electoral observation mission coordinator, and TANGO Consult based in Juba, South Sudan as an Assistant Researcher on peace, security and stability surveys.

Mr. Fadhili has attended various trainings to assist him in fulfilling his duties, which he regards as a passion. He has a Bachelor degree in Theology, an advanced diploma in Humanitarian Programs Management from Global Fields Institute in Nairobi, Kenya, and a diploma in Disaster Management from Cefored Institute of Relief and Development in Nairobi, Kenya. He has been trained in various security and defense studies including National Security and Defense Strategy from Inter-American Defense College, Human Rights in Peacekeeping from the International Peace Support Training Centre (IPSTC) in Kenya, and Inter-Faith Conflict Resolution and Conflict Analysis from the United States Institute of Peace.

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Mr. Yohana Ngao



Senior Economist, Ministry of Information, Culture, Arts and Sports, Tanzania; Member, Tanzania National Committee for the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, War Crimes, Crimes Against Humanity and All Forms of Discrimination

Mr. Yohana Ngao is the Senior Economist in the Ministry of Information, Culture, Arts and Sports and a Member of the Tanzania National Committee for the Prevention of Genocide (TNCPG). In 2011, Mr. Ngao completed his Professional Master's of International Trade/Master's of International Economics (Dissertation: The Impact of Trade Facilitation on Transit Trade in Tanzania's Economy) at the University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM). In 2004, Mr. Ngao completed his first Degree in Economics at the same University and was employed with the United Republic of Tanzania in February 2005. Yohana Ngao joined the Tanzania National Committee for Prevention of Genocide in 2014. Since then, he actively participates in different activities for the committee at local, regional and international levels.

Currently, Mr. Ngao is engaged in writing a project proposal for the establishment of the National Centre for Conflict Early Warning and Early Response Mechanism in the United Republic of Tanzania, conducting a feasibility study for the review of the National Youth Policy of 2007, and developing Budget and Planning, Policy Analysis and Monitoring and Evaluation of the Ministry's Projects.



Mr. Luc Dockendorf



Deputy Counsellor of Legation, Office of International Organizations and Human Rights, Department of Political Affairs, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

Luc Dockendorf is a career diplomat from Luxembourg and the current desk officer for Human Rights, International Organisations and Cyber Policy Issues at the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs. During his country's Presidency of the Council of the European Union in 2015, he chaired the Friends of the Presidency on Cyber Issues group at attachés' level. Since March 2015, he has been Luxembourg's Focal Point for the Responsibility to Protect (R2P). From 2011-2015, he was at Luxembourg's Mission to the UN in New York, covering the Peacebuilding Commission and the Security Council (the Grand-Duchy was a non-permanent member in 2013-2014). From 2009-2011, he was the national delegate to the OECD's Development Assistance Committee.

His main research interests are the political economy of conflict-affected, post-conflict and fragile states, as well as multilateral diplomacy and its role in the defense of human rights (both off- and online) and in the fight against corruption, organised crime, and mass atrocities.

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Mr. José Alejandro Reyes Hernández



Chief Attorney, Special Investigations Unit, Office of Human Rights, Guatemala

José Alejandro Reyes Hernández is a lawyer who graduated *cum laude* from Rafael Landívar University in 2013. Presently, he is obtaining a Master's Degree in Public Politics at the same university. Since 2012, he has worked in the Special Investigation Unit at the Procuraduría de los Derechos Humanos in Guatemala (Ombudsman's Office). This Unit is in charge of finding missing people and investigating the causes of their disappearance. They also investigate suspects and their culpability. If they are found guilty, the Unit starts a process against them in order for them to receive the proper sentence for the felony committed. Most of the investigated cases in the SI Unit belong to the internal conflict in Guatemala.

Mr. Reyes Hernández began his work with the Special Investigation Unit in 2012 as an Investigator. His job consisted of collecting information and clues to locate the missing person, as well as finding those responsible for their forced disappearance. In 2015, he was promoted to Advisor, within the same Unit. His duty was then to advise the Chief of the Unit on legal terms and procedures. He was also in charge of directing research performed by the Investigators. Since June 2016, Reyes Hernández was designated as Chief of the Unit, meaning that is responsible for coordinating all of its activities.

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Dr. Vasilka Sancin



Associate Professor of International Law, Head of the Department of International Law, Director of the Institute for International Law and International Relations at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

Dr. Vasilka Sancin is a Vice-Dean for Quality Assurance, a Head of the Department of International Law and a Director of the Institute for International Law and International Relations at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana. She is an Associate Professor of International Law and teaches courses on Public International Law, Law of Armed Conflict, Diplomatic and Consular Law, as well as legal aspects of EU law and international organisations at the undergraduate and postgraduate level.

She is also the Conference Chair of two series of biannual scientific interdisciplinary conferences on R2P (Responsibility to Protect in Theory and Practice Conferences – www.r2pconference.com) and Environmental Issues (www.environmentallawconference.com). Among other professional affiliations, she is a member of the Nuclear weapons, Non-proliferation & Contemporary International Law Committee of the International Law Association, the Slovenian national Interministerial Committees for the Implementation and Dissemination of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, and the Slovenian National Commission for UNESCO. She is also an expert consultant for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia on issues related to international law and a serves as a lecturer of the course on International Law and Slovenia for the Ministry's Diplomatic Exam.



Mr. Douwe Buzeman



Diplomat, Human Rights and Multilateral Affairs Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kingdom of the Netherlands

Douwe Buzeman is a Dutch diplomat. Currently, he is based at the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs HQ in the Hague, at the Division for Human Rights and Multilateral Affairs, with a specific focus on Freedom of Expression. Previously, he was posted in Belgrade and Ramallah and has worked at the Ministry on diverse issues such as the independence of South Sudan, Small Arms and Light Weapons, de-mining, and anti-Semitism. Before joining the Dutch diplomatic service, Douwe worked for the EU External Action Service in both Addis Ababa and Brussels. He has also previously worked for Oxfam International in Brussels.

Douwe obtained a BA & MA with honours in political science at the University Amsterdam and spent a semester at Sciences Po in Paris. He also holds an MSc in EU International Relations and Diplomacy at the College of Europe in Bruges.

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Ms. Claudia Catalina Montañez Ruiz



Officer, Department of Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Colombia

Catalina Montañez, from Colombia, is 29 years old. She began studying law because she wanted to help others from her professional position. Ms. Montañez has two specializations: Human Rights and International Humanitarian law as well as International Cooperation and Project Management related to development.

Her professional life has been centered in the public sector. She started working with the local government in her home city of Bogota, where she helped victims of domestic violence and child abuse. After that, Montañez worked at the Colombian Family Welfare Institute, where she was part of a program focused on early childhood. She had the opportunity to contribute to different programs that benefitted children between the ages of 1 and 5.

Ms. Montañez entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to work on migration issues at the Office of Consular and Citizen Services, where she had the opportunity to help Colombian citizens in other countries with legal problems. After a while, she started to work in the Office of Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law and the related thematic group, where she contributed to Colombia's position on different international stages related to International Humanitarian law, refugees, migrants, victims, etc.

Observers



Ms. Caroline Brazill



Program Assistant, Atrocities Prevention & Response Program, Wellspring Advisors, LLC

Caroline works as the Program Assistant on the Atrocities Prevention and Response (APR) team at Wellspring Advisors, where she helps to manage a portfolio of grants to human rights and humanitarian organizations. Prior to working at Wellspring, Caroline lived in Nairobi, Kenya as a Princeton in Africa fellow with the International Rescue Committee. Caroline received her BA in International Studies from American University in Washington, DC, where she concentrated in peace and conflict resolution. She completed coursework on peacemaking in intractable conflict and wrote her thesis on post-conflict reconciliation mechanisms in Sub-Saharan Africa.



Ms. Lihi Rapoport



Administrative Assistant, UN Office of the Special Advisers to the Secretary General on the Prevention of Genocide and the Responsibility to Protect

Since 2011, Ms. Lihi Rapoport has served as the Administrative Assistant for the United Nations Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect (OSAPG). In addition to providing the full range of administrative support functions for the Office, she also provides logistical support for the Office's conferences, side events and missions both at UNHQ and internationally. Ms. Rapoport holds a Master's Degree in Social Work from Hunter College and an undergraduate degree from Boston University.

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Ms. Jessica von Farkas



Global Dialogue Department, BMW Foundation

Ms. von Farkas has a background in international politics and human rights. She works within the Global Dialogue Department of the BMW Foundation in Munich and Berlin, where she focuses on possible ways to improve governance in fragile societies and Track II diplomacy. Jessica is also engaged with the work of the German non-profit Genocide Alert, which raises awareness among members of the German public and among policymakers on mass atrocity prevention, as well as early warning and early action.

Prior to this, Jessica has worked on the problem of human trafficking and the protection of minors at a human rights organization in Costa Rica in 2009/10. In 2011, she carried out a study on the role of future economic regional hubs at the Federation of German Industries in Berlin. One year later, she was involved with the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), where she compiled the article "The Responsibility to Protect - From Evasive to Reluctant Action?" covering perspectives on Germany's R2P policy. In 2013, Jessica was engaged with the work of the Heinrich Boell Foundation in Washington, D.C., where she worked on international peace and security politics.



Mr. Dave Smallen



Doctoral Student, Human Development and Family Studies, School Of Human Ecology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Mr. Smallen is a doctoral student of Human Ecology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His research focuses on educational interventions, using art and media to translate scientific knowledge and practice around compassionate interpersonal behavior to general audiences.

Fellows-in-Residence



Dr. Piotr Setkiewicz



Chief Historian, Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum

Dr. Setkiewicz studied History at Jagiellonian University in Krakow and earned his doctorate at the Silesian University in 1999 for a dissertation on IG Farben-Werk Auschwitz, 1941-1945. He began working for the Research Department at the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum in 1988. Dr. Setkiewicz was the head of the Archives from 2001-2007, and later became head of the research department in 2008. His interests include the employment of prisoners in German industry and the history of the Auschwitz sub-camps.



Fr. Jan Nowak



Director of the Centre for Dialogue and Prayer in Oświęcim, Poland

Father Jan Nowak was appointed as a Priest in the Arch Diocese of Kraków in 1983. While continuing his priesthood in the Arch Diocese, Father Jan also became the Director of the Center for Dialogue and Prayer in Oświęcim, Poland in 2001. He also became the Vice Chairman of the Board of the Kraków Foundation Centre for Information, Meetings, Dialogue, Education and Prayer in 2008. In 2010, Father Jan was appointed as part of the Ministry Consultative Team for Holocaust Education by the Polish Minister of Education. And, in 2012, he was appointed to the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum Council by the Minister of Culture and National Heritage.

For the many positions he continues to hold to the present day, Father Jan was awarded the "Silver Cross of Merit" by Polish President Aleksander Kwaśniewski in December of 2005. In June 2010, Father Jan was honored by the Jewish National Fund with a tree planted in the hills of Jerusalem in honor of his work in Holocaust education.

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Mr. Vahidin Omanovic



Co-Founder and Co-Director, the Center for Peacebuilding, Bosnia & Herzegovina

Mr. Omanovic is a professional trainer in nonviolent communication and conflict resolution. Before founding the Center for Peacebuilding in 2004, Mr. Omanovic received a Master's Degree at the School for International Training (SIT) in Brattleboro, Vermont in International Relations with a concentration in Conflict Transformation. Additionally, Mr. Omanovic served as a teaching assistant in SIT's Conflict Transformation Across Cultures Program, where he taught classes on forgiveness and conflict transformation. He has attended peace workshops and trainings throughout the world, including Switzerland, the Philippines, and Nepal, where he helped to found a peacebuilding organization. In 2011, the Threshold Foundation honored Mr. Omanovic with the 5th International Peace Award, naming him the year's "Unknown Peace Worker".



Mr. Mevludin Rahmonovic

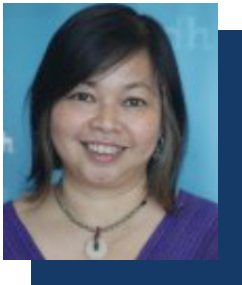


Co-Founder and Co-Director, Center for Peacebuilding, Bosnia & Herzegovina

Mevludin was born in 1981. In 1992, when he was 11, Mevludin survived ethnic cleansing and the concentration camp Trnopolje in Prijedor. From Trnopolje, Serb forces brought him, his mother, and his sister to Travnik, which was under the control of the Bosnian Army. He then spent 3 years as a refugee in Zenica. After the Dayton Peace Accords, he returned to live in Sanski Most. In 2000, he returned to Prijedor, where he lived before the war.

He is the Co-Founder and the Program Director at the Center for Peacebuilding, where he works on reconciliation among different ethnic and religious groups in Bosnia. Mevludin is an inspiration for the youth in Bosnia, as he exemplifies how forgiveness and working as a peacebuilder is a choice. At the moment, he is managing a project called "Genocide Prevention in Bosnia" for school-teachers and students. It is a pilot project, which will be taken to higher education and hopefully become a part of the regular curriculum in the Bosnian educational system.

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Ms. Debbie Stothard

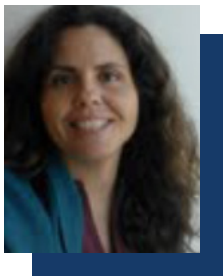


Alternative ASEAN Network on Burma; FIDH Secretary-General

Debbie Stothard is an active promoter of human rights in Burma and the ASEAN region. In 1996, she founded the Alternative ASEAN Network on Burma (Altsean-Burma). During her 32-year career, she has worked as a journalist, community education consultant, governmental advisor and trainer in Malaysia, Australia, and Thailand.

Debbie Stothard has participated in every step of democracy building in Burma, having organized advocacy meetings and campaigns on human rights, both in Burma and in other ASEAN countries since 1987. In the context of Burma, she co-founded the Burma Support Group Sydney in 1989 (which became the precursor to Burma Campaign Australia), as well as Burma Solidarity Group Malaysia in 1996, prior to forming Altsean-Burma the same year. These activities led her to engage with UN and related mechanisms in Geneva and New York, ASEAN, and many national governments in Asia, the Pacific, North America and Europe.

Ms. Stothard became Deputy Secretary-General of the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) in November of 2010. She has represented FIDH either on missions or at conferences in Belgium, Brazil, Burma, France, India, Japan, Malaysia, Maldives, Peru, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Turkey and the United States. She was elected Secretary-General of FIDH in May, 2013.



Ms. Claudia Diaz



Human Rights Officer, Office of the Special Advisers to the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide and the Responsibility to Protect, New York, US

Claudia Diaz is a Human Rights Officer at the United Nations Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect (OSAPG). Prior to this position, she spent 10 years working on United Nations field missions and offices in different conflict and post-conflict countries, including Timor-Leste, Nepal, Sudan (Darfur), Guatemala and Venezuela. She has also worked with national human rights institutions in Afghanistan and Timor-Leste. Claudia Diaz studied law and her work has been focused on issues related to international human rights law, humanitarian law and transitional justice.

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Dr. Kerry Whigham



Visiting Scholar, Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights, Rutgers University

Kerry Whigham received a Ph.D. in Performance Studies at New York University. He is the recipient of the Corrigan Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, the Franco Coli Dissertation Award, and NYU's Global Research Initiative Fellowship in Berlin. He has published articles in the *The Journal of Latin American Cultural Studies*, *Tourist Studies*, *Material Culture*, *Women and Performance*, and *Museum and Society*, and has written a chapter for the edited volume *Reconstructing Atrocity Prevention* (Cambridge University Press 2015). He is the managing editor of *e-misférica*, a biannual, trilingual, peer-reviewed journal on performance and politics in the Americas, published by the Hemispheric Institute of Performance and Politics.

Kerry's doctoral research focused on the social and affective force of genocidal violence. His dissertation—entitled *Affective Echoes: Affect, Resonant Violence, and the Processing of Collective Trauma in Post-Genocidal Societies*—examines an array of memory practices that have emerged in post-conflict societies that respond to and transform this violence, including practices of social activism and the construction of memorials and other sites of memory. He conducted field work for this research in Argentina, Germany, Poland, and the United States.



Dr. Marek Kucia



Associate Professor, Institute of Sociology, Jagiellonian University, Poland

Marek Kucia is an Associate Professor at the Institute of Sociology at Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Poland. He studied political science and sociology at Jagiellonian University and philosophy at Oxford University. He received a Ph.D. and an extended Ph.D. in sociology from Jagiellonian University. He carried out postdoctoral research at Oxford and has also worked for the Gallup Poll in London. Since 1993, he has worked at the Institute of Sociology at Jagiellonian University, serving as both Deputy Director and Director of the organization. He is currently head of the Department of Sociology of Power.

Dr. Kucia has held "Jean Monnet" Fellowships from the European Union for research and education on European integration. He has also held fellowships from the Open Society Institute, the Auschwitz-Birkenau Foundation, the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education, and the European Union to research the memory of Auschwitz and the Holocaust. He is Chairman of the Council of the International Center for Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust at the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum in Oswiecim. He has published numerous scholarly articles, including (in Polish) *Auschwitz as a Social Fact* (2005), and several book chapters (in English, German, Hebrew, and Polish) on the memory of Auschwitz and the Holocaust.

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Dr. Christalla Yakinthou



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Dr Christalla Yakinthou works in the University of Birmingham's Political Science and International Studies department, with the Institute for Conflict, Cooperation and Security. She holds a prestigious Birmingham Research Fellowship. With a background in power-sharing and subsequent training in transitional justice, her work focuses on transitional justice, power-sharing, conflict transformation, and the nexus between them. Significant publications include *Political Settlements in Divided Societies: Consociationalism and Cyprus* (Palgrave), and *Transitional Justice, International Assistance, and Civil Society: Missed Connections* (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming, with Paige Arthur). She has global experience as a transitional justice practitioner and as an academic, and has direct expertise in Cyprus, Lebanon, Kenya, Tunisia, and Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Currently, Dr. Yakinthou is writing about the relationship between power-sharing and transitional justice in post-conflict contexts, and on the relationships between bi/multilateral donors and civil society organisations in post-conflict contexts and associated power discourses. She is the author of several pieces of work in these areas.

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She is Associate Professor of Psychology at Metropolitan State University in St. Paul, MN, where she teaches classes in group dynamics, positive psychology, & peace and conflict studies. Dr. Mahoney also serves on the Executive Board of the Society for the Study of Peace, Conflict, and Violence (a division of the American Psychological Association), as Co-Director of Metropolitan State's Peace and Social Justice Work Group, and as Program Director of Metropolitan State's Master of Arts in Psychology.

Dr. Mahoney has researched and written on emotions, responses to suffering, human security, and peaceful norms. In particular, she is interested in how empathy and emotion shape, and are shaped by, our capacity to attend to suffering and to effectively work towards its relief.

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