



International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
‘Société Internationale de Droit Militaire et de Droit de la Guerre’

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THE ‘SILENT LEGES INTER ARMA?’ CONFERENCE IV

By the *Belgian Group* under the Auspices of the
International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

OUTLINE OF THE PROGRAM¹

Ref.: ISMLLW 1031 N E 20 b

Grand Hotel Casselbergh, Bruges
28 September – 1 October 2021

Tuesday 28 September 2021

Arrival of the participants

15:00 – 17:45 Administrative meetings of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War (separate invitations will be sent to the members and board members)

15:00 – 18:15 Registration

18:30 – 20:00 Welcome drink at the hotel lounge

Wednesday 29 September 2021

07:30 – 08:15 Registration

08:30 – 08:45 Opening of the conference

Keynote Speech: Facing Contemporary Challenges to International Peace and Security – The Role of the Belgian Armed Forces

08:45 – 10:45 Panel 1 – The Cyber Threat in Practice, Cyber Espionage and International Law

¹ Sessions or parts of sessions will be conducted online to the extent caused by the COVID-19 situation and social events and visits may be cancelled if required by the COVID-19 situation.

Postadres & Hoofdzetel/Adresse de correspondance & Siège:

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- 10:45 – 11:10 Group photo & Coffee/Tea
- 11:10 – 11:30 Presentation of the Legal Advisors Worktop Functional Area System (LAWFAS)
- 12:00 – 13:00 Lunch buffet
- 13:05 – 20:15 City walk in Bruges, followed by a bus ride to Ostend, a visit to Atlantikwall Raversyde², a reception with finger foods on board of the three-masted ship the Mercator in the marina of Ostend, and a bus ride back to Bruges
- 14:00 – 14:30 Law of War Considerations when Attacking and Defending Bunker Complexes

Thursday 30 September 2021

- 08:30 – 10:30 Panel 2 to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Military Law and the Law of War Review – The Role of Lawyers in Targeting Operations
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee/Tea
- 11:00 – 12:30 Panel 3 – Foreign Intervention in A Pre-existing Non-International Armed Conflict – What Are the Consequences in Terms of International Law?
- 12:30 – 13:30 Lunch buffet
- 14:00 – 16:00 Panel 4 to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Military Law and the Law of War Review – The Challenges for and the Future of International Humanitarian Law
- 16:00 – 16:40 Coffee/Tea
- 16:40 – 17:30 Panel 5 - The Applicability of International Humanitarian Law in Peace Operations: What Are the Practical Implications & Is There Room for Further Clarification?
- Free evening

Friday 1 October 2021

- 08:30 – 10:00 Panel 6 – The Right to Strike in the Public Sector, and in the Military in Particular
- 10:00 – 10:30 Coffee/Tea
- 10:30 – 12:30 Panel 7 – War in an Urbanised World – What Are the International Humanitarian Law Implications?

² Shoes without high heels required.

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12:30 – 13:00

Closing Remarks

14:30 – 21:00

Optional Visit³ (separate registration and payment of an additional fee required) to Flanders Fields, including attendance of the Last Post at the Menin Gate in Ypres, ceremony with wreath laying

³ Subject to a sufficient number of registrants.

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