



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

Air Warfare on the Modern Battlefield and New Technologies: Is There a Need to Amend the Air and Missile Warfare Manual?

**04-12-2025
Club Prince Albert
Brussels**

- 09.00 – 09.30 ***Welcome and Registration of the Participants***
- 09.30 – 09.50 ***Keynote Speech - The Challenges of Air Warfare in the Current Battlefield***
Geert DE DECKER, General-Major, Commander of the Air Force
- Panel 1 – Air Warfare and New Technologies***
Chair – LtCol Pierre DEGEZELLE (DG JUR)
- 09.50 – 10.10 Maj Dimitri PATTYN (DG JUR)- Presentation of the Air and Missile Warfare Manual
- 10.10 – 10.30 LtCol GS Guy BODET (Def Col) – Technical Evolutions in the Air Warfare Domain
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break
- 11.00 – 11.30 Mr. Frank MEEUSSEN (FPS Foreign Affairs) – LAWS and the GGE: Current Status
- 11.30 – 12.00 Dr. Ann-Katrien OIMANN (RMA) - Ethical Dimensions of LAWS
- 12.00 – 12.30 Q&A Session
- 12.30 – 14.00 ***Lunch***
- Panel 2 – Air Warfare and New Technologies***
Chair – LtCol GS Pieter VAN MALDEREN (ACOS IS)
- 14.00 – 14.25 Dr. Jessica DORSEY (University Utrecht) - AI Enabled Decision-Support Systems in the
Targeting Cycle: Legal Challenges, Risks and the Human Dimension
- 14.25 – 14.50 Dr. Nele VERLINDEN (ICRC) – Reflections from the ICRC
- 14.50 – 15.00 Break
- 15.00 – 15.40 Dr. William BOOTHBY – Towards a new AI Normative Framework?
- 15.40 – 16.00 Maj Dimitri PATTYN (DG JUR) - The Air and Missile Warfare Manual: Still Relevant Today?
- 16.00 – 16.30 Q&A Session
- 16.30 ***Closure***