



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

THE ‘SILENT LEGES INTER ARMA?’ CONFERENCE VI

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

PROGRAMME¹

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Grand Hotel Casselbergh, Bruges
19-22 September 2023



Tuesday 19 September 2023

	Arrival of the participants
14:30 – 17:15	Registration
15:00 – 17:15	Joint meeting of the Managing Board and the Board of Directors of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War (separate invitations sent to the board members)
18:00 – 20:00	Official welcome & opening reception hosted by the City of Bruges at the City Hall (Gothic room and parlours)

¹ Sessions or parts of sessions will be conducted online to the extent caused by any pandemic situation, and social events and visits may be cancelled if required by such situation.

Wednesday 20 September 2023

- 08:30 – 09:15 Registration
- 09:30 – 09:40 Opening of the Conference
- 09:40 – 10:00 Keynote Speech: Ius Ad Bellum through the Lens of the ICJ's Judgements and Advisory Opinions (TBC)
- 10:00 – 10:45 Group photo & Coffee/Tea
- 10:45 – 12:15 Session 1 – Post-conflict Accountability in Historical and Contemporary Contexts for Violations of International Humanitarian Law
- The Leipzig war crimes trials*
- Digitally derived evidence of international crimes (TBC)*
- 12:15 – 13:15 Lunch buffet
- 13:45 – 22:30 Social-cultural afternoon: City walk in Bruges, followed by a field trip, and a bus ride back to Bruges

Thursday 21 September 2023

- 08:45 – 10:30 Session 2 – Evolutions in the Cyber Domain
- Current trends*
- Legal evaluation of hacktivist cyber operations in times of armed conflict (TBC)*
- Insurance Policies and the Attribution of Cyber Attacks (TBC)*
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee/Tea
- 11:00– 13:00 Session 3 – Military Activities and Presence in Outer Space
- The space law framework and current concerns*
- The MILAMOS project*
- The Woomera Manual project*
- The ICRC's perspective (TBC)*
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch buffet
- 14:00 – 16:00 Session 4 – International Humanitarian Law vs. Counter-terrorism Legislation
- 16:00 – 16:30 Coffee/Tea

16:30 – 18:00 *Session 5 – The Right to Life of a Soldier in Combat*

Free evening

Friday 22 September 2023

08:30 – 10:00 *Session 6.a – Hybrid Threats*

Imagefare (TBC)

Russian disinformation and influence operations (TBC)

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee/Tea

10:30 – 12:15 *Session 6.b – Hybrid Threats*

A British military-legal perspective on hybrid threats (TBC)

A Korean military-legal perspective on hybrid threats in Asia (TBC)

Lawfare – SHAPE OLA's approach (TBC)

12:15 – 12:45 *Special presentation*

Ukrainian legal advisors of the armed forces in times of invasion (TBC)

12:45 – 13:00 *Closing ceremony*