

**RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT IN THEORY AND PRACTICE CONFERENCE**

**April 23-24, 2015**

**CONFERENCE PROGRAM\***

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**Thursday, April 23, 2015**

8:00 – 9:00	Registration
9:00 – 9:05	<b>Welcome note by the Dean</b> , Professor Miha Juhart, Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana
9:05 – 9:15	<b>Introductory address - Jennifer Welsh</b> , Special Adviser to the United Nations Secretary General on the Responsibility to Protect
9:15 – 11:00	<p><b>Opening session – Challenges Ahead of R2P After Its First Decade</b> (Golden Room) <i>Chair: William R. Pace</i>, Co-founder and Steering Committee Member of the International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Ruth Wedgwood</b>, President of the International Law Association, Edward B. Burling Professor of International Law and Diplomacy at The Johns Hopkins University, the School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)</li> <li>▪ <b>Judge Awn Shawkat Al-Khasawneh</b>, Former Judge and Vice-President of the ICJ</li> <li>▪ <b>Vladimir Kotlyar</b>, Member of the International Law Council of Russia's Ministry of Foreign Affairs</li> <li>▪ <b>Aidan Hehir</b>, Director of Security and International Relations Programme at the University of Westminster</li> <li>▪ <b>Enzo M. Le Fevre Cervini</b>, Director for Research and Cooperation at the Budapest Centre for the International Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities/Roma Tre University</li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:15	Opening of the "Peace and Justice Cartoon Exhibition" in cooperation with the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee Break sponsored by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
<b>PART 1: R2P IN THEORY</b>	
11:30 – 13:30	<p><b>Panel 1: R2P – Norm, Principle,...?</b> (Golden Room) <i>Chair: Dr Vasilka Sancin</i>, Director of the Institute for International Law and International Relations, Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Ethics of International Diplomacy: R2P, Just war theory, and the duty to criticize (James Pattison)</li> <li>▪ R2P: RIP? (Olivier Ribbelink)</li> <li>▪ Understanding R2P: Textual Anomalies and Interpretative Challenges in the 2005 World Summit Outcome (Gábor Sulyok)</li> <li>▪ R2P and the 'Thin Cosmopolitan' Imagination (Tor Dahl-Eriksen)</li> <li>▪ The Role of National R2P Focal Points? (Marko Rakovec)</li> </ul>

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13:30 –14:30		<b>Lunch Break</b>	
14:30 –16:00		<p><b>Panel 2: Coercive Measures and the Role of the UN Security Council</b> (Golden Room) Chair: Patrick Travers, Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect, United Nations Department of Political Affairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ R2P at the age of 10 – Old Stories Re-labelled or a True Conceptual Change? (Christina Binder)</li> <li>▪ Questioning the State-centric Paradigm of R2P: What Place for Armed Opposition Groups? (Aristoteles Constantinides)</li> <li>▪ R2P and UN Security Council Presidential Statements (Tatjana Milić)</li> </ul>	
16:00- 16:30		Coffee Break	
16:30- 18:00		<p><b>Panel 3: Criminal Prosecutions of Perpetrators</b> Chair: Professor Vesna Crnić-Grotić, Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka (Golden Room)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The ICC &amp; R2P: Shared Goals and Shared Politicization (Don Wallace)</li> <li>▪ Contribution of the ICTY to the Rebuilding Phase in Western Balkans (Ivana Jelić)</li> <li>▪ The European Arrest Warrant as a Regional Tool Contributing to Responses to R2P Atrocities (Marina Žagar)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Panel 4: Responsibility to Prevent</b> Chair: Mag. Maša Kovič Dine, Teaching Assistant at the Chair of International Law, Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana (Red Room)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Concept of Prevention under R2P (Alexandra Bohm)</li> <li>▪ Reducing Gender Inequality as a Means to Reduce the Risk of Mass Atrocities (Serena Timmoneri)</li> <li>▪ The Expanding Use of Measures Less than Force under R2P (Stacey Henderson)</li> </ul>
20:00		<p><b>Gala conference dinner with the keynote speaker Professor Dr Danilo Türk, former President of the Republic of Slovenia, Hotel Slon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Live performance of the R2P Song by Murat&amp;Jose</li> <li>▪ Performance by Pegius, choir of the Faculty of Law</li> <li>▪ Social dancing with DJ JAMirko</li> </ul>	

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<b>PART 2: R2P IN PRACTICE</b>		
10:00 –11:30	<b>Panel 5: R2P, Specific Cases and Responses of States</b> (Golden Room) Chair: Aidan Hehir, Director of the Security and International Relations Programme, University of Westminster	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A Grim Necessity: Why R2P Style Military Intervention is Justified in Syria (Mia Swart)</li> <li>▪ NATO (In)actions in Syria? (Daniel Silander)</li> <li>▪ R2P and the Chemical Attack on Ghouta (Birthe Thykier Møller)</li> </ul>	
11:30-12:00	Coffee Break and Poster Presentations. Coffee break sponsored by the Embassy of Switzerland	
12:00-13:45	<b>Panel 6: R2P, Specific Cases and Responses of States</b> Chair: Dr Stefan Lorenzmeier, Faculty of Law, University of Augsburg (Golden Room)	<b>Panel 7: R2P, Specific Cases and Responses of States</b> Chair: Dr Neža Kogovšek Šalamon, Director of The Peace Institute – Institute for Contemporary Social and Political Studies (Red Room)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Security Council and the Responsibility to Prevent Mass Atrocities in Central Africa (Spencer Zifcak)</li> <li>▪ R2P: Bridging the Gap between Theory and Practice in Africa (Swikan Ncube)</li> <li>▪ Challenging the African Union’s Implementation of the R2P (Maruša Veber)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Chinese Notion of “Responsible Protection” (Philipp Janig and Pak K. Lee)</li> <li>▪ Applying R2P to the Situation in Tibet (John Gaudette)</li> <li>▪ Assessing the Limits of R2P in the Case of Western Sahara (Jeffrey Smith)</li> <li>▪ Constitutional Dilemmas over R2P in the Republic of Poland (Tomasz Lewandowski)</li> </ul>
13:45 -14:00	Concluding remarks by <b>Vasilka Sancin</b> , Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana (Golden Room)	
16:00 -17:00	<b>Guided walking tour of Ljubljana</b>	

**Poster presenters:**

- The Responsibility to Protect as a New Norm? (Saskia Rademaker)
- Can the protection and assistance roles of the International Committee of the Red Cross contribute to the Responsibility to Protect? (Christy Shucksmith)
- Responsibility to Protect and Civil Society Organizations: Appraisal of submissions to the United Nations Secretary-General’s Annual Reports (Jefferson Nascimento)
- The RWP Initiative: Bridging the Gap Between Western and Non-Western States? (Tajda Jernejčič)

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