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**“RETHINKING INTERNATIONAL
LAW AFTER GAZA”**

3 - 4 AUGUST 2024

AGENDA

■ Day 1

■ 3 August 2024

Registration I 09.00-10.00

Opening Session I 10.00-11.30 / Albert Long Hall

Protocol Speeches:



Ali Emrah Bozbayındır, Professor, Boğaziçi University.



Mehmet Naci İnci, Professor, Rector, Boğaziçi University.



Cüneyt Yüksel, Professor, MP, Overseeing Türkiye's Intervention Before the ICJ.



Yılmaz Tunç, The Minister of Justice, Türkiye.

Coffee Break I 11.30-12.00

Panel Session 1 I 12.00-13.30

• **Stream 1: Justice for Palestine and the Potential of ICJ / Demir Demirgil Hall**



Moderator: **Alfredo Crosato Neumann**, Dr., Assistant Professor, Kadir Has University



Ralph Wilde, "The Illegality of Israel's Control of the Palestinian Territory it Captured in 1967 in the jus ad bellum", Dr., Associate Professor, University College London.



Jinan Bastaki, "Turning International Law on its Heels: South Africa and Nicaragua at the ICJ", Dr., Associate Professor, NYU Abu Dhabi.



Ihsan Adel, "Unlawful Occupation as Ongoing Aggression: Legal Implications of the ICJ's Advisory Opinion on Palestine", Dr., Law for Palestine.

- **Stream 2: Systemic Challenges in International Law: Power, Institutions, and Reform** / *Kriton Curi Room*



Moderator: **Khoulood Al-Khatib**, Associate Professor, Lebanese University.



Berdal Aral, "How Dominant International Legal Discourse and Prevalent International Institutions Downgrade Victimhood: Palestinian and Yemeni Cases", Professor, Istanbul Medeniyet University.



Mutaz M. Qafisheh, "The War on Gaza, System Deficits and Prospects for International Legal Reform", Professor, Hebron University.



M. Beheşti Aydoğan, "Violent Violations and International Law's Non-oppositional Relationship with Violence", Dr., University of Warwick

- **Stream 3: International Humanitarian Law: Access, Rights, Digital Spaces and Future** / *Özger Arnas Room*



Moderator: **Ömer Erkut Bulut**, Dr., Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University.



Rana Kharouf, "Discourses of International Humanitarian Law and Humanitarian Access", Professor, Paris School of International Affairs, Sciences Po.



Fabio Cristiano and Mais Qandeel, "Rethinking Internet Access and Digital Rights After Gaza: From Infrastructural Harm to Data Violence", Dr., Assistant Professor and Dr Senior Lecturer, Utrecht University / Örebro University.



Eric Loefflad, "'Traumatocracy': Personified Statehood, Military Necessity, and the Future of Customary International Law", Dr., Lecturer, University of Kent.

Lunch Break | 13.30-14.30

Panel Session 2 | 14.30-16.00

- **Stream 1:** social and Economic Rights in the Occupied Palestinian Territories / *Kriton Curi Room*



Moderator: **Harun Muratoğulları**, Dr., Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University.



Asif Qureshi, "International Economic Law & the Israel/Palestine 23/24 War?", Professor, Peking University.



Ömer Erkut Bulut, "Israel's BIT Responsibilities in Occupied Palestinian Territories", Dr., Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University.



Yi Lu, "Food Security, Right to Food, Humanitarian Aid, State and Non-state Obligations", Dr. Lecturer, Peking University School of Transnational Law.

- **Stream 2:** Decolonising International Law and Gaza / *Demir Demirgil Hall*



Moderator: **Hüseyin Dişli**, University of Kent.



Lena Saļaymeh, "International Law as Neo-colonialism", Professor, École Pratique des Hautes Études.



Everisto Benyera, "Is the Gaza War the Death of International Law? Exposing and Addressing the Limitations of International Law for Marginalised Communities", Professor, University of South Africa.



Liliana Obregón, "Shifting Alliances: Latin American States on Israel/Palestine at the Bicentennial of the Monroe Doctrine", Professor, Universidad de los Andes.

- **Stream 3: Israeli Use of Force in Gaza / Özger Arnas Room**



Moderator: **Ayşe Didem Sezgin**, King's College London.



Yücel Acer, "Israel's Acts against Gaza and the Right to Self-Defence", Professor, Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University.



Yunus Emre Gül, "Self-Defence in Gaza: Revisiting Article 51 of the UN Charter", PhD Candidate University of Bonn.



Hasan Basri Bülbül, "Frozen in Time: The 'Israeli Exception' in Applying Colonial International Law on the Use of Force", Dr., Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University.



Jasmin Nessa, "(Re)thinking Evidentiary Standards in Self-Defence Claims: Implications for International Law Post-Gaza", Dr., The University of Liverpool.

Coffee Break I 16.00-16.30

Keynote Panel Session I Justice and International Law (16.30-18.00) / Albert Long Hall



Moderator: **Ali Emrah Bozbayındır**, Professor, Boğaziçi University



Richard Falk, "The Gaza Challenge: Does International Law Matter If It cannot be Enforced?", Emeritus Professor, Princeton University. Former UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights in Occupied Palestine.



Balakrishnan Rajagopal, "International Law or Rules-based Order? Or Which International Law for Global Justice?", Professor, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Adequate Housing.

■ Day 2

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Panel Session 3 | 10.00-11.30

- **Stream 1: Challenges in International Criminal Law and Adaptive Strategies /**
Demir Demirgil Hall



Moderator: **Satvinder Juss**, Professor, King's College London.



Hilal Elver, "When Starvation is a Crime: A Case of Gaza and Beyond", Professor, Former UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, University of California, Santa Barbara.



Mohamed Badar, "Adjudicating International Crimes Committed in Gaza through the Exercise of Universal Jurisdiction", Professor, Northumbria University.



Elif Gökşen, "A Twisty Tale: Israel-Palestine Conflict and the International Criminal Court", Dr., Assistant Professor, Bilkent University.



Zeynep Erhan Bulut, "The ICC Investigation(s) into the Situation in Palestine: Does the ICC Really Function?" Dr., Assistant Professor, Çankırı Karatekin University.

• **Stream 2:** Legal Perspectives on Israeli Apartheid / *Özger Arnas Room*



Moderator: **M. Beheşti Aydoğan**, Dr., University of Warwick.



Victor Kattan, "Apartheid or Systemic Discrimination? Reading the ICJ's Advisory Opinion between the Lines", Dr., Assistant Professor, University of Nottingham.



Ali Kerem Kayhan, "Strategies For Engaging Against Israel in Light of Ongoing Apartheid Practices: Lessons from South Africa", Dr., Associate Professor, Yalova University.



Munir Nuseibah, "Continuing the Work on Apartheid at the Time of Genocide", Dr., Assistant Professor, Al-Quds University.



Dilahan Bice-Kurtoğlu, "Relocating the Crisis and Reconsidering the Refugee Subject in light of Palestinian Displacement: A Critical Approach to the Construction of Refugeehood in International Law", PhD Candidate, University of Warwick.

• **Stream 3:** Nakba, Right of Return and Self-determination / *Kriton Curi Room*



Moderator: **Hasan Basri Bülbül**, Dr., Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University.



Susan Akram, "An Examination of Forced Displacement, Siege and Denial of Right of Return of Palestinians as War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity", Professor, Boston University.



Lamis Deek, "Nakba: As Superstructure of Zionist Colonization and Legal Framework for Palestinian Liberation", Attorney, New York Bar.



Rama Sahtout, "Palestinian Refugees in Gaza and the Limitations of Refugee Law", Dr. Lecturer, University of Exeter.

Coffee Break | 11.30-12.00

KEYNOTE PANEL II | Occupation, Racism, and Resistance (12.00-13.30) / Albert Long Hall



Moderator: **Hilal Elver**, University of California, Santa Barbara. Professor, Former UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food.



Michael Lynk, "Israeli Settlements under the Rome Statute of the ICC", Emeritus Professor, Western University. Former UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights in Occupied Palestine.



Muthucumaraswamy Sornarajah, "Resistance of Power: Self-Determination and the Struggle for Palestine", Emeritus Professor, National University of Singapore.



Mohsen al-Attar, "Anti-Palestinian Racism in International Law: Unveiling Structural Injustices", Associate Dean and Professor, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University.

Lunch Break I 13.30-14.30

Panel Session 4 | 14.30-16.00

- **Stream 1: Genocide Across Eras and Regions / Özger Arnas Room**



Moderator: **Victor Kattan**, Dr., Assistant Professor, University of Nottingham.



Satvinder Juss, "Defining Genocide as an Inclusive State Crime", Professor, King's College London.



José Manuel Barreto, "Genocide, Colonial Genocide and the Genocide in Gaza: Consequences for International Law", Professor, Universidad de los Andes.



Harun Halilović, "Srebrenica and Gaza: Reflections and Lessons for Genocide Prevention", Dr., Assistant Professor, International University of Sarajevo.



Luigi Daniele, "Will There be any IHL after Gaza? From the Law of Armed Conflict to Israel's 'Law' of Armed Genocide: A Global Threat to Civilians Worldwide", Dr., Senior Lecturer, Nottingham Law School.

- **Stream 2: Critical Perspectives on Knowledge Production / Kriton Curi**



Moderator: **İsmail Mutlu**, Dr., Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University.



Khoulood Al-Khatib, “Colonialism, Intersectionality, Marginalized Communities, Legal Order, Diverse Narratives, Transformative Re-examination”, Dr., Associate Professor, Lebanese University.



Polona Florijančič, “Colonial Framing of Resistance”. Dr., Independent Researcher.



Osayd Awawda, “Post-October 7th International Criminal Law and Accountability: Emerging Legal Concepts and Terminology”, Dr., Assistant Professor of Public Law, Qatar University.

- **Stream 3: Fireside Conversation: Apartheid, Activism and Palestinian Liberation: Lessons from South Africa / Demir Demirgil Hall**



Ashish Prashar, Political Strategist, Human Rights Activist and Writer



Judge S. Desai, The Head of the Office of the Ombud, South Africa

Coffee Break | 16.00-16.30

Panel Session 5 | 16.30-18.00

- **Stream 1: Adjudication before the ICJ: Conscience, Responsibility and Complicity** / *Kriton Curi Room*



Moderator: **Deniz Tekin Apaydın**, Dr., Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University.



Ahmed F. Khalifa, "The War in Gaza and the Responsibility of Third-party States in International Law between Moral and Legal Limits", Dr., Assistant Professor, Ain Shams University.



Andrea Maria Pelliconi, "Displacement, Settlements, and Denial of Return as a Violation of Self-Determination in Gaza and the West Bank", Dr., Teaching Associate, University of Nottingham.



Ramy Abdu, "Obstacles in Documenting Crimes of the Israeli Occupation: Lessons from South Africa's Lawsuit Before the International Court of Justice", Assistant Professor, Euro-Med Human Rights Monitor Chairman.

- **Stream 2: Race and Structural Violence in International Law** / *Demir Demirgil Hall*



Moderator: **Mohsen al-Attar**, Associate Dean and Professor, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University.



Omar Kamel, "Worthy & Unworthy Victims: Mass Media as the Adjudicators of Legality in Gaza", PhD Candidate, Lecturer Sciences Po, Paris.



Na'eem Jeenah, "Reframing International Law: Global South Perspectives and Challenges", Senior Researcher, Mapungubwe Institute for Strategic Reflection



Shahab Saqib, "Decolonising the Narrative of Equality in International Human Rights Law after Gaza", Dr., Lecturer, University of Leicester.



Brendan Ciarán Browne, "Enforcing a Colonial 'Peace' through Transitional Justice: Containing Liberation in Palestine", Dr., Assistant Professor, Trinity College Dublin.

- **Stream 3: Reframing Palestinian Resistance: Legal, Political, and Philosophical Perspectives / Özgür Arnas Room**



Moderator: **Lamis Deek, Attorney**, New York Bar



Saul J. Takahashi, "The Right of Resistance: Self-determination and the Palestinian "Exception", Professor, Osaka Jogakuin University.



Hüseyin Dişli, "Resistance as a Form of 'Redemptive' Violence", PhD Candidate, University of Kent.



Ahmad Bishtawi, "Legitimacy of Resistance: Legal and Ethical Perspectives from the Al-Aqsa Flood Operation", Dr., Assistant Professor, An-Najah National University.

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