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## Joint Conference

# Emerging Issues of Relationship between International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law

In memoriam of an honourable academician, Professor Levan Alexidze,  
the founder of international law studies in Georgia

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# In memoriam of an honourable academician

## Professor Levan Alexidze

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Distinguished Scientist

Full Member of Georgian National Academy of Sciences

Public figure

Diplomat and

The Founder of the Georgian School of International law

From the very first days since reinstatement of Georgia's independence in 1991, the Georgian School of International Law was established and developed under the initiative and leadership of Professor Levan Alexidze (1926- 2019), Full Member of Georgian National Academy of Sciences, Holder of numerous State Awards, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, globally recognized scholar, state and public figure. Professor Alexidze served as the responsible staff of Human Rights Department in New York and Geneva, UN Secretariat (1970-1977), Representative of Georgia at the UN Commission on Human Rights, Member of the Georgian delegation to the UN-led Geneva talks (aimed at resolving the conflict in Abkhazia, Georgia); Expert on Legal Affairs at the Rome Conference on the International Criminal Court (July 1998); Member of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance at the Council of Europe (1999 – 2012). He is the author of the first Georgian language textbook in International Law (1967), as well as more than 150 works published in Georgian, Russian, English, German, and Spanish languages, including his prominent work - “The Role and Place of Imperative Norms (Jus Cogens) in International Law” (1981).

The theoretical basis of Professor Alexidze's knowledge and attention to historical facts have laid ground for international condemnation of aggressive separatism ideology on the international arena.

Prof. Alexidze's writings, while indicating the factual circumstances, providing the comprehensive international legal analysis and qualification on the revealed

facts of the ethnic cleansing/genocide policy conducted in the territory of Abkhazia, Georgia, and asserting on the importance of bringing perpetrators to justice, become a bedrock for the OSCE and CIS Heads of States Summit final documents.. His scientific, legal and political assessments of the 2008 Russia's war on Georgia, including the comprehensive legal analysis and critique of the so-called "Tagliavini's Report", is invaluable.

Since 1970, Professor Alexidze delivered lectures on the persisting problems of international law at famous scientific and educational institutions, including the Emory and Boston Universities (the United States); the Humboldt University (Germany); the Hague Academy of International Law; the State Universities of Kiev, Azerbaijan and Armenia; the Academy of Human Rights (Greece); and the State University of Latvia.

Professor Levan Alexidze has left an indelible mark in the memory of many generations. International Law Institute is proud to continue his legacy.

## The European Society of International Law (ESIL)

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The European Society of International Law (ESIL) is a dynamic network of researchers, scholars and practitioners in the field of international law. The Society's goals are to encourage the study of international law, to foster inquiry, discussion and innovation in international law, and to promote a greater understanding of the role of international law in the world today.

The vital role of law in responding to processes of globalization, and the growing importance of developing a shared understanding within Europe in relation to a wide range of international legal issues, underscore the need for a forum that will facilitate greater interaction among European international lawyers. To this end, ESIL seeks to develop much closer links between those working in the international law field in Western Europe and their counterparts in Eastern and Central Europe. This need will be all the more marked in response to the expansion of membership of the European Union and the proposed adoption of institutional arrangements designed to enhance Europe's voice in international affairs. This evolution in EU law and practice should be complemented and reinforced by the emergence of an increasingly integrated community of European international lawyers.

The Society has provided a forum for the exchange and promotion of new ideas ever since the inaugural meeting in 2004 in Florence, and ESIL events and publications continue to illustrate the breadth and range of members' interests and activities. There has been a major ESIL event in a different venue each year since the Society was set up. Besides, ESIL holds the annual Conferences and Research Forums, as participates in organization of joint events - conferences, symposia or workshops looking at specific aspects of international law - where ESIL works together with other institutions. One of them is joint ESIL-TSU organized International Conference on „Emerging Issues of Relationship between International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law” - the first such event to be held in Georgia.

ESIL publications include the ESIL Series (high-quality volumes on the themes of Annual Conferences and joint events), papers in the ESIL Paper Series, and the online ESIL Reflections.

The stated goals of the ESIL are to contribute to the rule of law in international relations and to promote the study of public international law, namely:

- organise and support in-depth exchanges of ideas on matters of common interest to international lawyers in Europe and elsewhere;
- encourage high-level scholarship and analysis;
- provide a forum for European-wide discussions, and foster the involvement and representation of younger scholars;
- promote a greater awareness and understanding of international law not only amongst lawyers but within the general public; and
- foster a greater appreciation of the role of the European tradition and develop European perspectives in international law.

# **International Law Institute (ILI)**

## **Faculty of Law, Tbilisi State University**

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International Law Institute (ILI) is a structural scientific-research unit operating within the Faculty of Law, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (TSU).

Established in 1918 as the first European-style University in Georgia and the whole South Caucasus, TSU has been creating local intellectual workforce and paving way for human development.

Nowadays TSU is the biggest university in Georgia with more than 22,000 students and over 215 accredited academic programs on all levels of tertiary education, providing excellent ground for interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary and cross-disciplinary teaching, learning and research, international academic and scientific collaboration, currently implementing more than 150 international projects.

The Faculty of Law is one of the largest units within the premises of the TSU with overall enrollment of approximately 3900 students at BA, MA, and PhD levels. Under the umbrella of the Law Faculty, ILI offers special programs in International Law awarding qualifications of “Bachelor of International Law” and “Master of International Law”.

As the first and leading Institution for teaching International Law in the region, ILI has served as the model for promotion of human rights, equality, multiculturalism and diversity thought numerous educational/research activities.

ILI provides study and research of various areas of public international law (PIL), including humanitarian law, International and European law of human rights with particular focus on minority rights protection, national and international anti-discrimination mechanisms; international criminal law; refugee and migration law; law of the sea; environmental law; air and space law; cyber security law, etc.

ILI has successful record of organizing different extracurricular and advocacy activities of national, regional and international coverage. It successfully cooperates with state and non-state institutions, international organizations operating in Georgia as well as a number of foreign higher educational institutions.

With the support of the TEMPUS Programme, in 2011, Migration Centre was established within ILI. Since 2020, ILI is the Jean Monnet chair-holder raising awareness on the benefits of EU Associate Membership, with particular focus on human dimension of EU - Georgia cooperation.



## Centre de la Protection International (CPI)

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Centre de la Protection International (CPI, also the Centre) is an independent, non-governmental, non-profit human rights international organization registered in Strasbourg, France on 13 June, 2006. The Centre has affiliated organizations in Armenia and Ukraine, as well as partner organizations in many Council of Europe countries.

The Centre is dedicated to the protection of human rights and freedoms of individuals in the Council of Europe countries both directly and by assisting, collaborating with, and supporting the civil society in these countries.

One of the major aims of the Centre is the representation of human rights victims' interests before international judicial and quasi-judicial bodies. Since its establishment, it has won nearly 650 cases before the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR), as well as many complaints to the UN Human Rights Committee. CPI has submitted more than 1350 applications on behalf of victims of human rights abuses with adjudicatory international human rights bodies, over 700 of which are still pending.

CPI receives and responds to requests for legal assistance from individuals and organizations by mail, in-person meetings, and a telephone hotline. The electronic data base contains almost 42,000 requests, and this number continues to grow. CPI receives requests from various countries, such as Russia, Armenia, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Georgia, and others. Everyone who turns to CPI receives, at a minimum, information on CPI's activities and procedures for lodging applications with adjudicatory international human rights bodies, and in many cases, individual consultation and/or legal representation.

One of the objectives of the Centre is the provision of aid to human rights lawyers and defenders to be armed with the international human rights instruments that assist in effective protection of human rights in post-Soviet countries. CPI offers a number of educational programs, as a rule, for lawyers and advocates from different countries. The Centre has trained more than 700 practicing lawyers from Council of Europe countries. As a part of educational program, the Centre develops guides and manuals for lawyers regarding different human right issues.

CPI also mentors junior lawyers to successfully lodge their first complaints with international adjudicatory as well as experienced lawyers in bringing complex complaints before international judicial and quasi-judicial bodies.

CPI pursues also the execution of the ECtHR's judgments in individual cases at the domestic level, monitors the status of the execution with the Council of Europe's Committee of Ministers. The Centre has submitted dozens of communications to the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe concerning non-execution of the judgments of the European Court of Human Rights by respondent States.



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## PROGRAMME

**29 September, Thursday**

**10.00 – 12.00**

### **Location**

Museum Hall (2nd floor)  
1st Building, TSU

### **Parallel forum 1**

**New dimensions of contemporary armed conflict: global and regional perspectives**

*Chair - Professor Konstantin Korkelia (ILI, TSU)*

- **Mary Olajide** (Obafemi Awolowo University): *The Unique Characteristics of Cyber Warfare; The Need for Specific International Humanitarian Law Rules*
- **Dr. Guram Gvinjilia** (Tbilisi State University): *Cyberattacks: a new perspective at evidentiary standards in International Law*
- **Dr. Corina Dodi** (University of Economics and Law „KROK“): *Violation of International Humanitarian Law by Russian federation in Ukraine* [online]
- **Inna Zavorotko** (National University „Kyiv-Mohyla Academy“): *Russian-Ukrainian international armed conflict-related sexual violence against civilians as international crimes: qualification and investigation* [online]
- **Dr. Erkan Akdogan** (Ankara University): *Values, rules, actors and processes: case studies on international cultural heritage law in post-1989 conflicts in Central and Eastern Europe, and Transcaucasia*
- **Somabha Bandopadhyay** (The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences) & **Shivam Pandey** (The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences): *Ecocide: The transcendental Human Rights nexus and need for criminality* [online]
- **Omar Mtvlishvili** (Tbilisi State University): *The Use of an Autonomous Weapons System in an Armed Conflict: a Modern Method to Protect Human Rights During an Armed conflict or a Violation of International Humanitarian Law?*



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### Location

Conference Hall,  
Room N107 (1st floor)  
1st Building, TSU

### Parallel forum 2

#### Reaffirming the protection of Human Rights: Jus ad Bellum or Jus in Bello?

Chair - Dr. Mariam Kevlishvili,

Co-chair - Ms. Tamar Aleksidze

- **Dr. Mia Swart** (Edge Hill University): *The Persistence of Impunity: The Role of International Human Rights Law in Strengthening Prosecutions against Torture* [\[online\]](#)
- **Adhirai Devi S** (The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University): *The Vicious Circle of Hunger and War* [\[online\]](#)
- **Oreoluwa Omotayo Oduniyi** (Obafemi Awolowo University): *Boko Haram Insurgency And Banditry In Nigeria: Examining The Right To Education In North Eastern Nigeria* [\[online\]](#)
- **Anastasiia Vorobiova** (Polish Academy of Sciences): *The right to education under belligerent occupation: Crimean case study* [\[online\]](#)
- **Andreas Piperides** (University of Glasgow): *Time to Rethink the European Court of Human Rights Approach on the Protection of Property in Occupied Territories: Can International Humanitarian Law Protect More?* [\[online\]](#)
- **Alina Gentimir** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University): *Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Crimes Committed in times of Armed Conflicts. Georgia Situation* [\[online\]](#)

12.00 – 13.30

Lunch

14.00 – 15.00

### Opening ceremony:

Chair – **Dr. Ganna Yudkivska**, former Judge of the European Court of Human Rights; CPI

### Location

Museum Hall (2nd floor)  
1st Building, TSU

- **Dr. George Sharvashidze**, Professor, Rector, TSU
- **Pierre d'Argent**, President, ESIL [\[online\]](#)
- **Dr. Tamar Zarandia**, Dean, Faculty of Law, TSU
- **Khatuna Totladze**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia
- **Alexander Darakhvelidze**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia
- **Grigol Giorgadze**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Defence of Georgia
- **Valentina Kim**, Deputy Head of Delegation in Georgia of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)
- **Natalia Voutouva**, Head of County Office, Council of Europe **(TBC)**
- **Kaupo Känd**, Representative/Chief of Office at International Criminal Court
- **Besarion Bokhashvili**, UN OHCHR South Caucasus



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**15.00 – 16.30**

### **Plenary session**

#### **“Extraterritoriality, human rights and armed conflicts”**

##### **Location**

Museum Hall (2nd floor)  
1st Building, TSU

**Chair – Dr. Ganna Yudkivska**, former Judge of the European Court of Human Rights; CPI

- **Dr. Lado Chanturia**, Judge of the European Court of Human Rights; Professor, TSU
- **Dr. Sarah Cleveland**, Former Vice-Chair and Member of the UN Human Rights Committee; Professor, Columbia Law School
- **Dr. Marko Milanovic**, Professor of Public International Law, Reading School of Law
- **Dr. Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou**, Professor of Human Rights Law, Associate Dean for Research, University of Liverpool

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**16.30 – 17.00**

### **Coffee break**

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**17.00 – 18.30**

### **Parallel forum 3**

#### **Implementing IHL and IHRL: the role of International Institutions**

##### **Location**

Conference Hall,  
Room N107 (1st floor)  
1st Building, TSU

**Chair - Professor Dr. Davit Pataraiia** (ILI, TSU)

- **Dr. Laura-Maria Crăciunean-Tatu** („Lucian Blaga“ University of Sibiu): *The Application of IHL and of IHRL in Armed Conflict: A Short Examination of the Practice of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*
- **Dr. Tymur Korotkyi** (Ukrainian Association of International Law) &
- **Dr. Oleksii Plotnikov** (Association of Reintegration of Crimea): *The Principle of Neutrality of the Red Cross in the Face of International Crimes: Lessons from Ukraine*
- **Attila Nagy** (Friedrich Schiller University): *Human Rights and the Freedom of Speech in focus as unrestricted at ICC and other War Crimes Tribunals*
- **Dr. Adrián Gavín Lalaguna** (University of Zaragoza): *The Human Right to Water: Paradigm of the Relationship between Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law* [\[online\]](#)



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#### Location

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#### Parallel forum 4

##### Applying IHL and IHRL standards: from law to action

Chair - Professor Dr. Eka Siradze (ILI, TSU)

- **Dr. Vicky Kapogianni** (Newcastle University) & **Waqar Sardar Khan Arif** (University of Kotli Azan Jammu and Kashmir): *When Weapons Speak the Law does not Fall Silent: Human Rights Obligations and Foreign Forces' de facto control in cases of Belligerent Occupation: Normative Complexities and Complementarities*
- **Nino Nikolaishvili** (Tbilisi State University) & **Dr. Natia Kalandarishvili-Mueller** (ALTE University): *The Right to Fair Trial in Armed Conflicts*
- **Dr. Stoyan Panov** (University of Freiburg): *For Whom the Bell Tolls? The Investigation and Prosecution of the Crime of Aggression on Domestic Level* [online]
- **Francesca Cerulli** (University of Florence): *Any right of reproductive health for victims of war rape? A feminist perspective on IHL and IHRL*

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**19.00 Dinner**

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**30 September, Friday**

**10.00 – 11.30**

#### Location

Museum Hall (2nd floor)  
1st Building, TSU

#### Plenary session

“Contributions to IHL by international organizations and tribunals”

Chair – **Dr. Irine Kurdadze** (ILI, TSU)

- **Dr. Marco Longobardo**, Senior Lecturer in International Law, University of Westminster
- **Dr. Veronika Bilkova**, ESIL Secretariat
- **Dr. Gleb Bogush**, University of Copenhagen
- **Dr. Yaël Ronen**, Professor of International Law, The Academic Center for Science and Law; Hebrew University

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**11.30 - 12.00**

#### Closing remarks

Chairs – **Dr. Irine Kurdadze**, Tbilisi State University, and **Dr. Veronika Bilkova**, ESIL

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## Plenary sessions

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### Extraterritoriality, human rights and armed conflicts

#### Dr. Ganna Yudkivska

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Dr Ganna Yudkivska graduated from the Law Faculties of the Taras Shevchenko Kyiv National University (Ukraine) and Université Strasbourg III (France). She has her PhD diploma from the Academy of Advocacy of Ukraine.

In 1995-2001 she led in Ukraine and Moldova the legacy project on genocide studies (now – Shoah Institute of the University of South California), and also served as human rights and national minorities expert for the Congress of National Minorities of Ukraine.

Between 2001 and 2005 she worked as a lawyer and expert for different international and national human rights organizations.

In 2003 she was admitted to the Bar.

In 2005-2009 she was a lawyer at the Registry of the European Court of Human Rights, in 2009-2010 - advisor to the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe.

In 2010 Ganna Yudkivska was elected as Judge of the European Court of Human Rights; in 2015–2016 she was Vice-President of Section V of the Court, in 2017 - 2019 she was President of Section IV of the Court. She has been serving on the bench for twelve years, till end June 2022.

As of 1 July 2022 Ganna Yudkivska is a Director of the Strasbourg-based “Centre de la Protection Internationale” – a non-governmental organization whose mission is the development of democratic institutions and the improvement of the judicial and legal systems in the post-Soviet space.

Judge Yudkivska is also an Associate Professor of European and International law at the Academy of Advocacy of Ukraine. She lectured and researched at universities of USA, France, Germany, UK, the Netherlands, Israel and Ukraine. She authored a number of scientific articles on human rights, international law and criminal procedure; she is also a member of the advisory boards of several legal magazines.

Ms Yudkivska is a Board Member of the European Society of International Law as of 2018.

## Judge, Dr. Lado Chanturia

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Judge, Dr. Lado Chanturia studied law at State University of Tbilisi. He obtained a doctorate at the Moscow Institute of Legislation and Comparative Law. He was a research fellow, at the Faculty of law of the Georg-August-University in Göttingen (DAAD) and of the Humboldt Foundation at the Hamburg Max Planck Institute of Foreign and International Private Law, Germany. He is the author more than 200 scientific publications.

Dr. Chanturia is a law professor at the Ivane Javakhishvili State University of Tbilisi. Previously, he was Member of the Council of Justice of Georgia, Minister of Justice of Georgia, President of the Supreme Court of Georgia, Director of the Project “Civil and Economic Law in the Countries of the Central Asia and Caucasus” at the University of Bremen, Germany, Senior Advisor of the German International Cooperation (GIZ) in field of Legal and Judicial Reforms in Eschborn, Germany, Visiting Professor (DAAD-Gastdozent) at the Institute for Eastern European Law, Christian-Albrechts-University in Kiel, Germany, and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Georgia to the Federal Republic of Germany.



## Dr. Sarah Cleveland

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Sarah Cleveland is a noted expert in the areas of international law, U.S. foreign relations law, human rights, and national security. In addition to teaching, researching, and writing about these issues, she is a leading figure in these fields through her longstanding work domestically and with international legal organizations.

From 2009 to 2011, Cleveland served as the counselor on international law to the legal adviser at the U.S. Department of State and she remains a member of the Secretary of State's Advisory Committee on International Law. She is faculty co-director of the Law School's Human Rights Institute, is a member of the American Law Institute, and served as co-coordinating reporter of the American Law Institute's Restatement (Fourth) of the Foreign Relations Law of the United States (2012–2018).

Cleveland began her legal career as a Skadden Fellow, representing migrant farmworkers in south Florida. She previously served as a member of the board of editors of the *International Review of the Red Cross*. She was vice chair and a member of the U.N. Human Rights Committee (2015–2018) and was the U.S. observer member and member on the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe (2010–2019).

She has written widely on issues of international law, national security, and human rights, including the casebook *Human Rights* (2nd ed. 2009 and update 2013) and *The Restatement and Beyond: The Past, Present, and Future of U.S. Foreign Relations Law*, Paul Stephen and Sarah Cleveland, eds. (Oxford University Press, 2020).

Cleveland is a former Rhodes Scholar and served as a law clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun. Before arriving at Columbia in 2007, she was the Marrs McLean Professor in Law at the University of Texas Law School. She has held visiting professorships at Harvard and Michigan law schools and at the University Panthéon-Assas and Sciences-Po University in Paris.

## Dr. Marko Milanovic

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Marko Milanovic is Professor of Public International Law at the University of Reading School of Law. He is co-general editor of the ongoing Tallinn Manual 3.0 project on the application of international law in cyberspace and Senior Fellow, NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence. He is also co-editor of EJIL: Talk!, the blog of the European Journal of International Law, as well as a member of the EJIL's Editorial Board. Professor Milanovic was

formerly Professor of Public International Law and Co-Director of the Human Rights Law Centre at the University of Nottingham School of Law, and served as Vice-President and member of the Executive Board of the European Society of International Law.

Professor Milanovic held visiting professorships at Michigan Law School, Columbia Law School, Deakin Law School, the University of Bologna, the University of the Philippines College of Law, and the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights. In 2021-22 Professor Milanovic served as one of three high-level experts appointed by the UN High Commissioner on Human Rights to assist her in conducting a comprehensive examination of alleged human rights violations committed in Belarus since 1 May 2020, as mandated by the UN Human Rights Council. In 2022 he was awarded the Serge Lazareff Prize for excellence in legal services by the NATO Allied Command Operations Office of Legal Affairs. He is currently advising a taskforce supporting the Prosecutor General of Ukraine regarding accountability for crimes committed during the Ukrainian conflict.

## Dr. Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou

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Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou is professor in Human Rights Law, associate Dean for Research of the School of Law and Social Justice of the University of Liverpool and Director of the International Law and Human Rights Unit. Kanstantsin moved to the University of Liverpool in 2015 from the University of Surrey where he has been a lecturer and then a senior lecturer in law since January 2012. His research interests spread between interpretation of the European Convention of

Human Rights, reform of the European Court of Human Rights, administration of international justice, comparative and constitutional law. He published extensively in peer-reviewed journals, he authored two monographs with Cambridge University Press, textbooks and edited collections. He cooperates with international inter-governmental and non-governmental organisations as an expert in international and European human rights law.

## Plenary sessions

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### Contributions to IHL by international organizations and tribunals

#### Dr. Irine Kurdadze

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Professor Irine Kurdadze has been working at the Tbilisi State University since 1997 and teaching different International Law subjects in both Bachelor and Master programs. At first she worked as an assistant professor in the field of International law. In 2004 she was elected as an Associate Professor and in November 2012 as a full Professor of International Law at the Institute of International Law, Department of Law. In 2017 she was elected as a member of the Academic

Council - the supreme representative body of TSU for two terms.

Professor Kurdadze in different periods had initiated such theoretical and practical courses for both undergraduate and post-graduate students as “The Role of the International Organizations and TNC in the modern globalizing world” (BA); “The legal influence of International Law on Georgian legislation” (MA); “Ethnic and Religious Minorities Rights standards under International universal and regional (European) Standards”. Since 2021 she has led Bachelor and Master programs in International Law at TSU.

Professor Kurdadze is an author of a variety of academic works in International Law focusing on the issues of correlation of International Law (including regional -European- law) and domestic law. Professor Kurdadze widely contributes to the publications of the International Law Journal published by the International Law Institute of the Tbilisi State University. She is co-author of several books, among them first-ever published two Georgian language dictionary reference books, produced by the team of the Institute of International Law under supervision of Prof. Levan Alexidze.

In 2004 Professor Kurdadze was elected as a Member of the Parliament of Georgia for 4 years. As an MP she served as deputy chair of Foreign Relation Committee. One of the main directions of her work in the Committee was examination of the level of harmonization of Georgian Legislation with EU Law. She was also a substitute-member of the Parliamentary Delegation to the Council of Europe.

From 2009 till October 2012 Professor Kurdadze served as the Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia. In that position she was actively involved in cooperation related to Education issues with the EU delegation in Georgia.

In 2019 she was elected as Director of the International Law Institute, TSU.

Since 2020 Prof. Kurdadze is Jean Monnet Chair holder at TSU.

## Dr Marco Longobardo

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Dr Marco Longobardo is a Senior Lecturer in International Law at the University of Westminster, where he teaches public international law, international human rights law, international criminal law, and other related subjects. He has undertaken his doctoral studies at the Sapienza University of Rome and previously lectured at the University of Messina and in the context of international humanitarian law courses for the personnel of the Italian armed forces.

He has published extensively on public international law issues and he is the author of *The Use of Armed Force in Occupied Territory* (Cambridge University Press 2018). For his monograph, Marco was awarded the 2021 Paul Reuter Prize, administered by the International Committee of the Red Cross. His scholarship has been cited in official documents by the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, the UN International Law Commission's Special Rapporteur on the Protection of the Environment in relation to Armed Conflicts, and states before international courts. Marco is on the editorial boards of the *Journal of International Humanitarian Legal Studies* and of the *International Community Law Review*. He works as consultant for governmental and non-governmental organisations.

## Dr. Veronika Bilkova

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Veronika Bilkova is the head of the Centre for International Law at the Institute of International Relations, Prague. She also teaches public international law at the Faculty of Law of the Charles University in Prague. Since 2010, she has represented the Czech Republic in the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe and since 2020 she has been the chair of the Czech Government's Committee on Human Rights of

Older Persons. Having a background in both law and political science, Veronika Bilkova likes to combine theoretical research with a more policy-oriented approach. In her research, she focuses on human rights, international humanitarian law, the use of force, fight against terrorism, and the theory of international law. In her policy-oriented studies, Dr. Bilkova concentrates on human rights and democracy promotion in foreign policy.

## Dr. Gleb Bogush

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Dr. Gleb Bogush is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Center of Excellence for International Courts (iCourts) of the University of Copenhagen. Prior to 2022, he was an Associate Professor of International Law at the HSE University in Moscow.

His main area of interest includes international criminal law, especially the International Criminal Court, the law on the use of force, and international humanitarian law. His most recent publications and talks dealt with the issues of criminal responsibility for core international crimes, the national implementation of international law in the Russian legal order, and the history of international criminal justice.

He holds his PhD from Moscow State University. From 2012 to 2015, Gleb Bogush was an Alexander von Humboldt Fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law (Germany).

Gleb Bogush is a member of the International Law Association Committee on the Use of Force, as well as editorial boards of Criminal Law Forum and *Revue Internationale de Droit Pénal*.

## Dr. Yaël Ronen

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Professor Yaël Ronen is a faculty member teaching international law at the Academic Center for Science and Law, and a research fellow at the Minerva Center for Human Rights at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. She is the academic editor of the *Israel Law Review* (CUP). Her scholarship focuses on the intersection between human rights, issues of territorial status and non-state actors. Currently she is compiling the *Digest of Israeli Practice in International Law 1948-1957*, to be

published by the Hebrew University's International Law Forum. Professor Ronen's recent publications include *The Occupation of Justice* (co-authored with David Kretzmer, 2nd ed OUP 2021) and 'The Right to be Erased and War Crimes' in Russell Buchan and Asaf Lubin (eds), *The Rights to Privacy and Data Protection in Armed Conflict* (CCDCOE forthcoming 2022).

Professor Ronen obtained her LLB and LLM at the Hebrew University, and her PhD at the University of Cambridge, England. Prior to her academic career, she served for close to a decade in the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs and was a member of the Israeli negotiating team in the Oslo Process.

## Forum 1

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### New dimensions of contemporary armed conflict: global and regional perspectives

#### Dr. Konstantin Korkelia

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Dr. Konstantin Korkelia is professor of international human rights law at Tbilisi State University, Georgia.

He previously worked as the Ambassador of Georgia to Latvia and Permanent Representative to the Council of Europe (Strasbourg), the Vice-Justice Minister of Georgia, and the Government Representative to the European Court of Human Rights. He received Master's degree cum laude from Leiden University, the Netherlands and

Doctoral degree from Tbilisi State University. He is a trainer and a consultant working for various international organizations and institutions such as the Council of Europe, EU, OSCE, GIZ, IRZ. Konstantin's interests include international law of human rights, European law of human rights, international treaty law and public international law. In 2020 Professor Korkelia was granted an award for Academic Excellence in Human Rights by the All the universities of Georgia. His recent publications include Human Rights Restrictions in Georgia During the COVID-19 Pandemic.



## Mary Olajide

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Albania amongst others.

Mary Olajide is a recent graduate of law from an African leading University with a deeply passionate enthusiasm in International Humanitarian Law. During her extremely rewarding study in the University, she championed and represented her country, Nigeria, in international moot competitions which include, the Nelson Mandela Human Rights Moot Memorial in Geneva, the John H. Jackson Moot in Nairobi, Kenya, the Jean-Pictet Competition on International Humanitarian Law in

Mary Olajide graduated summa cum laude from an exceptionally competitive University and ventured full fledge into research writing with a cutting-edge concentration on IHL. She authored publications on core areas of International Law and IHL such as The Illegality of the Use of Child Soldiers in IHL, The IHL rules on the Use of Human Shields During Armed Conflicts, The Role of ICC in Combating War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity in Africa, Culpability of States Under International Law amongst others.

Still in her early 20's, Mary is committed to giving in all her boundless potentials to the noble course of International Humanitarian Law. Mary Olajide being warm and affectionate, dedicates her spare time to alleviating the pain and injustices of the downtrodden masses as an active volunteer of the Youth for Human Rights International and The Executives Initiative.

## Dr. Guram Gvinjilia

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Guram Gvinjilia is invited Lecturer at Tbilisi State University and Assistant-Professor at Caucasus University. Guram was enrolled at Tbilisi State University in 2011 and gained bachelor degree in International Law in 2015. Afterwards, in 2017 Guram received master's degree in International Law and nowadays he holds Ph.D. degree in international law. Guram's Ph.D. thesis was Cyber Operations: A Challenge for the International Law of Prohibition of Use of Force.

Guram has published several articles in recent years, these are headlines: "The Scope of Political Participation of Minorities in the Case Law of the European Court of Human Rights" and "Cyber-Attack in the context of the prohibition of the use of force – The need for Reconsideration of International Law?". Throughout his academic career Guram has taken part in numerous conferences, law schools and seminars. Guram has concluded Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) Orientation Course of European Security and Defence College hosted by European Union and Austria. Besides his academic career Guram has accumulated several years of experience working in public sector in international law departments.

## Dr. Corina Dodi

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Dr. Corina Dodi is an Associated Professor at the KROK University, Kyiv, Ukraine more than ten years. Her teaching disciplines are: International Public Law, International Private Law, International Humanitarian Law and Constitutional Law. Before starting teaching at the University, she worked as a Project coordinator for the Moldovan Association of International Humanitarian Law (Chisinau, Republic of Moldova). Dr. Dodi finished her PhD

studies in International Law in 2011 in the sphere of International Humanitarian Law (Historical and juridical regulation of non-international armed conflicts).

Dr. Dodi is an author of lots of publications in different journals and reviews. She participated in different seminars, conferences, round tables and summer schools such as: Summer School "Transitional justice in Central and Eastern Europe - Coping with the Communist past", Berlin, Germany; International School "Transitional Justice – world experience and Ukrainian context", Kharkiv, Ukraine; European Centre for Minority Issues (ECMI) Summer School Lviv, Ukraine; Summer School "Safety in Danger", Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Kyiv, Ukraine, etc. Besides, she is a member of the Lviv Center for International Law and Human Rights.

## Dr. Erkan Akdogan

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Erkan Akdogan holds a PhD in public international law in Ankara, Turkey. He is post-doc researcher and lecturer in Department of Public International Law, Ankara University Law Faculty. His previous experience comprise volunteering in civil society, private law firm, and in-house counseling on international legal matters. His master's thesis is on arms control, new weapons technologies and international law (2011), and his doctoral dissertation is on

reservations to treaties from the perspective of indeterminacy theory (2018). His research interests include legal theory, international organization, international humanitarian law, cultural heritage, and international nuclear law. Dr. Akdogan is member of American Society of International Law, European Society of International Law and Turkish Lawyers' Association.

## Somabha Bandopadhyay

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Somabha Bandopadhyay is a doctoral student and Teaching Assistant at The West Bengal National University for Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), Kolkata. She recently completed her tenure as Visiting Research Fellow at the School of Criminology, University of Montreal, Canada under the Indo-Canadian Shastri Mitacs Scholarship for pursuing research on victimization of transgender persons. She is pursuing active research and activism on transgender law and their rights. She pursued BA.LLB (International Law Honors) from School of Law, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar and pursued LLM (Human Rights) National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bangalore. She has been a scholarship holder at KIIT University. She was awarded the Nani Palkhivala Memorial Gold Medal at NLSIU Bangalore for securing the highest in LLM (Human Rights) and the Chancellor's Gold Medal and Nanibala Devi Memorial Gold Medal for securing the highest in School of Law, KIIT University in 2018. Somabha won the prestigious Bar Council of India Inter-University Moot Court competition in 2017 and was adjudged as the Best speaker as well as the Best Female Advocate that ensured her a scholarship from the Council for a year. She is presently pursuing a research on Glyphosate and Rights of Nature in collaboration with Earth Thrive, United Kingdom and another with WBNUJS, Kolkata on Transgender trauma and stigma. She is a Governance Facilitator of the GARN Youth Hub, Ecuador.

## Shivam Pandey

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Shivam Pandey pursued BA.LLB (Constitutional Law Honors) from School of Law, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar and pursued LLM (Human Rights) from National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bangalore and is currently working on his Phd in the National university of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata (NUJS). He has also undergone extensive certificate courses like International Criminal Law with Michael Scharf, Case Western University, USA and Rio + 20 as an initiative from the World

Humanitarian Summit organised by Indian Astrobiology Research Centre (IARC) Centre for United Nations, Mumbai for which he was awarded the Silver medal.

Shivam was the additional researcher to the team that won the prestigious Bar Council of India Inter-University Moot Court competition in 2017. He has seven research publications to his credit including a recent one in a Scopus-indexed journal and also in the Journal of Bangladesh Institute for Legal Development. He has also presented papers at various conferences on issues concerning human rights including at National Law University, Delhi and National University for Studies and Research in Law, Ranchi among others. His papers titled “Steering Earth Justice with Principles of Environmental Ethics” and “The Indian Culture of Agricultural Commons” have been selected to be presented at the 6th International Eco Summit by Elsevier in Gold Coast, Australia in 2021. His paper “Agricultural Commons: Where Does India Stand?” was selected for presentation at Annual New York State Political Science Conference, Manhattan College, New York in 2020. He has not restricted his studies to classroom teaching and dedicated himself as an NSS volunteer at KIIT University under the Ministry of Youth and Sports Affairs, Government of India.

He was associated with Adamas University, Kolkata as an Assistant Professor of law for more than 2 years. He also acted as a Research Associate at the Hon’ble Justice Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi, India. Currently, he has started his own edupreneurial Journey wherein he imparts law training along with other entrance examinations of wide repute in the country.



Omar Mtivlishvili was awarded the Degree of Bachelor of Law with a major in International Law from Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. In 2020, he was awarded the Degree of Master of International Law from Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. Since 2022, he has been a PhD Candidate in Law (International Law) at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University.

In 2017-2018, he was an editor in academic issues at scientific journal “TSU Law Review” and an intern at the following institutions: State Audit Service of Georgia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, LEPL Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, LEPL Georgian Bar Association, LEPL Information Centre on NATO and EU. Since 2019, he has been a chief specialist at International Law Branch of International Relations Division of Administration (Department) of the State Security Service of Georgia. Since 2022, he is an invited lecturer at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University.

He is an author of a publication “Collection of Annotations of the Precedents of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea” and two papers.

He is a participant in 20 scientific conferences on legal issues and an attendee at 6 training courses on the issues of international law.

## Forum 2

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### **Reaffirming the protection of Human Rights: Jus ad Bellum or Jus in Bello?**

#### **Dr. Mariam Kevlishvili**

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Dr. Mariam Kevlishvili is assistant-professor of international law Intitute at law faculty at Tbilisi State University since 2004. She has gained PhD degree in international law with migration issues.

She was a researcher in Tempus projects: “Promoting Migration Studies in Higher Education/PROMIG” and “Migration and Higher Education Developing Skills and Capacity”. She was also coordinator-curator of the project “Building training and analytical capacities on migration in Moldova and Georgia”, International

Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) and simultaneously was a researcher at the same organization.

She is leading the courses for Bachelor and Master students: “International Public Law”, “Introduction to Migration Law” and “European Commission against Racism and Intolerance and Georgia”.

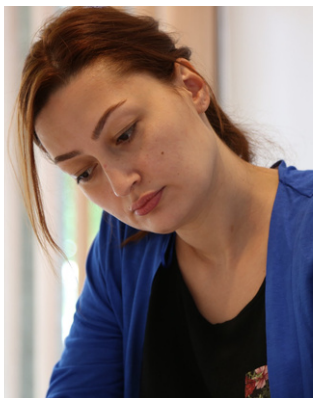
She was speaker at international and national conferences, among them: “UN Based Global Approach to Migration and its Implication for Georgia’s Migration Policy”, ICMPD; “Migration Tendencies in Georgia”, ELSA Georgia; 61th International Study Congress AWR “Integration and Identity”, Webster University, Leiden, the Netherlands, etc.

She is author of several publications among which are: “Citizenship policies in Georgia and the European Union”, Vienna- Tbilisi, September/October 2011, ICMPD; “The Role of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance

(ECRI) in Forming International Negative Stance towards the Fact of Massive Deportation of Georgian Migrants from Russian Federation”, “Journal of International Law”, 2015 N2-2016 N1; “Legal Regulation of Migrants in the Perspective of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI)”, Tbilisi, 2022 (monography).

## Tamara Aleksidze

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Tamara Aleksidze is an international lawyer by training. She is part of the International Law Institute, Tbilisi State University, Faculty of Law, and teaches human rights and constitutional law at TSU, and GIPA (Georgian Institute of Public Affairs). Tamara has over 15 years of academic and professional experience serving in different capacities across sectors. For the last 10 years, she has worked on legal analysis and capacity building of Georgian legal professionals, including Judges and members of the Georgian Bar Association,

has trained people from different backgrounds in human rights and related sensitive issues (violence, religion, expression, discrimination etc.) Tamara has consulted Council of Europe, UNDP, UNHCR, OSCE and other institutions on rule of law/human rights, capacity related issues. As a freelance consultant, she provides expertise to individual organizations/consultancies on developing project proposals/bids for different donors.



## Dr. Mia Swart

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Dr. Mia Swart is Senior Lecturer in International Human Rights Law at Edge Hill University in the UK. She is also a Visiting Professor at the School of Law of the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. She previously worked as producer at Al Jazeera Media Network. She specialises in international law and transitional justice.

## Oreoluwa Omotayo Oduniyi

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Oreoluwa Oduniyi is a lecturer at the Faculty of Law, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria, and a Doctoral Candidate in the same Faculty. He holds a Master of Philosophy in Law(M.Phil.), Master of Law(LL.M); Bachelor of Law(LL.B) degrees from the Obafemi Awolowo university, Ile-Ife. Oreoluwa also holds a Barrister at Law(BL) degree qualification and Certificate of Call to the Nigerian Bar from the Nigerian Law School, Abuja, Nigeria. He had been in active legal practice with both government and private establishment, before pursuing his interest and passion in teaching and research.

He has teaching and research interest in International Humanitarian Law, Human Rights Law, focusing on Non-State Actors in Armed Conflicts, Deployment of Chemical Weapons in Armed Conflicts, Peace and Conflict resolution and the right of Vulnerable Persons in Armed Conflicts. He has published scholarly articles in peer reviewed journals and attended Conferences, Seminars and Workshops. He is a member of various professional bodies including the Nigerian Bar Association, Nigerian Institute of Management, Nigerian Law Teachers Association, and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators UK (Nigerian Branch).

## Anastasiia Vorobiova

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Anastasiia Vorobiova is currently working as a research assistant at the Institute of Law Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences in the international research project: “The challenge of populist memory politics for Europe: Towards effective responses to militant legislation on the past” (MEMOCRACY). Ms Vorobiova holds LLM degree in International Human Rights Law from Lund University, Sweden. Her previous work experience includes international criminal law and accountability issues, gender and law and refugee

law. Her main research interests encompass human rights law, international criminal and humanitarian law.

## Andreas Piperides

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Andreas Piperides is a lawyer and PhD candidate in Public International Law at the University of Glasgow. After graduating from the Law School of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and the Military School of Combat Support Officers he continued his studies at Leiden University graduating cum laude with an LLM in Public International Law, with a specialisation in International Humanitarian Law. Andreas has worked as an intern at the embassy of Cyprus in Cuba, as a trainee lawyer at the Office of the

Attorney General of the Republic of Cyprus, as military legal officer at Cyprus Ministry of Defense, as a Researcher at ETUI, as a Graduate Teaching Assistant in Public International Law at the University of Glasgow, and as a trainee of the Judge of Cyprus at the European Court of Human Rights.

## Alina Gentimir

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Alina Gentimir, Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza " University Iasi, in charge with the courses of Legal Protection of Human Rights and Human Rights in the European Union. My LLM in Human Rights at the Institute of European Higher Studies (Strasbourg), Ph.D. thesis entitled Romanian Criminal Procedure in the light of the Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights, specializations at prestigious European institutes and universities such as International Institute of Human Rights – Strasbourg, European University Institute – Florence, TM Asser Institute - The Hague, Sorbonne University – Paris, Academy of European Law – Trier, law clerk activity in European Court on Human Rights and International Criminal Court, books and publications in national and European journals outline my area of expertise in the fields of human rights, criminal justice.

## Forum 3

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### Implementing IHL and IHRL: the role of International Institutions

#### Dr. Davit Pataraiia

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Dr. David Pataraiia is a professor at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgia. Professor Pataraiia has been a practicing lawyer and held certain high-ranking positions in Georgia, inter alia, he served as a member of the State Council of Georgia, a commissioner in the Georgian National Communication Commission, the Parliamentary Secretary of the President of Georgia and the Head of the Administration of the President of Georgia.

Together with other professors and colleagues from Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, he is the co-author of the Dictionary of Modern International Law, the co-author and editor of the book International law: Selected Issues (2021), also co-editor of the Journal of International Law (which is published since 1996 mostly on a yearly basis). He is the author of many scientific articles and the following books:

- David Pataraiia, State Succession in International Law and Georgia, Tbilisi, 2002;
- David Pataraiia, International Relations: Discipline and Theory, Tbilisi, Arete, 2015;
- David Pataraiia, Rechtsnachfolge im Völkerrecht, Dismembration der Sowjetunion und Georgien, Jus Press, 2016;
- David Pataraiia, Traditional Theoretical Approaches in International Relations, Jus Press, 2017;
- David Pataraiia, International Law: Text, Cases and Materials, Routledge, 2021.

## Dr. Laura-Maria Crăciunean-Tatu

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Dr. Laura-Maria Crăciunean-Tatu holds a PhD from Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu (Romania) being, since 2002, Associate Professor in Public International Law and International Humanitarian Law at the Faculty of Law of the same university. Since 2017, she is also a member of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR) for which she has also served as one of its vice-chairs (in 2019, 2020 and 2021). Prior to this, she was an independent expert, elected in respect of Romania, in the Council of Europe Advisory Committee of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities (2016-2020) and as independent expert in the United Nations Human Rights Council Advisory Committee (2014-2017). She has published several books, articles and her main research interests are related to cultural rights and cultural diversity, economic, social and cultural rights and the rights of persons belonging to national minorities.

## Dr. Tymur Korotkyi

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Professor Tymur Korotkyi is a vice-president of the Ukrainian Association of International Law. He has been teaching international law and related subjects for over 25 years in Kyiv and Odesa. Presently he is a leading researcher with the Institute of Information, Security and Law of the National Academy of Legal Sciences of Ukraine.

Professor Tymur Korotkyi authored over 600 publications on various problems of international and domestic law. In partnership with the Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union, he developed a course on international humanitarian law for school teachers.

Since 2014, Professor Korotkyi has concentrated on implementation of international humanitarian law as an expert, coach, and consultant. He is a

member of the Interdepartmental commission on application and realization of norms of international humanitarian law with the Ministry of Reintegration of the Temporary Occupied Territories of Ukraine. He also serves as an advisor with the President of the Ukrainian Red Cross Society.

## Dr. Oleksii Plotnikov

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Oleksii Plotnikov is senior lawyer with the Civic Organization “The Tenth of April”. Since 24 February 2022 he joined the Armed Forces of Ukraine and currently serves at the position of the head of the CIMIC (civil-military cooperation) unit of one of the Territorial Defense brigades. As a CIMIC, he co-founded a “Military Education” project aimed at distribution of knowledge about international humanitarian law and international criminal law in the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

He holds an LLM with distinction from the University of Manchester (UK) a PhD from the National University “Odesa Academy of Law” (Ukraine). In 2016-2017 he was a Fulbright visiting researcher at Cardozo School of Law (USA).

Dr. Plotnikov is also a member of the Civic Council with the State Service of Ukraine for Ethnic Policy and Freedom of Conscience. He was an expert of the Expert Council with the Representative of the President of Ukraine in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea in 2018. He acts as expert with the Crimean Tatar Resource Center. He regularly acts as expert with the United Nations Development Program in Ukraine and different projects of the Council of Europe in Ukraine.

## Attila Nagy

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Dr. Attila Nagy is a Law Lecturer and Researcher focusing on Law subjects and has worked for many years as a Lecturer at the International Business College Mitrovica in Kosovo. He was teaching Business Law, Public Administration and EU related subjects. Since recently he is engaged in a field research on the most important topics related to the future of the EU. Apart from the refugee crisis he is now focusing on BrExit as well, and how the EU is going to treat it in the future. Attila has held many guest lectures for students and professionals and also published articles in various fields concerning mostly law enforcement and development in the post-conflict Kosovo. His research focus was in particular on Institutions such as OSCE, The EU Mission in Kosovo EULEX, The UN Mission in Kosovo UNMIK and the newly established Kosovo court, The Kosovo Specialist Chambers. He has done extensive research and also has many publications in the area of post-conflict development and foreign investments. The topic of his PhD thesis is 'Informal rules in post-conflict development' and is written at the Jena Centre for Reconciliation Studies, Faculty of Law University in Jena.

## Dr. Adrián Gavín Lalaguna

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Adrian Gavin Lalaguna is FPI predoctoral researcher (2019) at the University of Zaragoza. His thesis work is based on water security on the international sphere. He is a lawyer and specialist in international public law and environmental law; member of the AGUDEMA Research Group (spanish acronym of Agua, Derecho y Medio Ambiente-Water, Law and Environment).



## Forum 4

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### Applying IHL and IHRL standards: from law to action

#### Dr. Eka Siradze

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Dr. Eka Siradze is an Associate Professor of the Faculty of Law of the Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. She has more than 20 years of experience in teaching and scientific activities in international public law and international maritime law.

In 1993-2000, she worked at the International Law Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia. She has directly participated in the process of concluding bilateral and a number of multilateral agreements of Georgia during that period. She was head of the legal department of the largest Georgian shipping company OSCO in 2000-2010.

In 2000 she graduated IMLI with LLM in International Maritime Law and completed her PhD studies in TSU. As a maritime law expert, since 2011 she has been participating in various projects implemented by the European Union, the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA), International Maritime Organization (IMO) and ICMPD in Georgia and abroad (among them, she has prepared reports on the implementation of association agreements by the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Georgia with the European Union). Dr. Siradze provides expert-consulting services to the Maritime Transport Agency of Georgia. She is the co-author of the complex study "Development of the Maritime Sphere of Georgia" performed by the Chamber of Commerce of Georgia, as well as "Crisis Management Manual for Diplomats (rendering the assistance to Georgian citizens abroad)" (co-author with Mrs. Tamar Kikvidze) within the ICMPD sponsored project.



Dr. Siradze actively participates in local and international conferences and seasonal schools. She is the author of numerous publications in the maritime field.

In 2021 she was awarded the Medal of Honor by the President of Georgia for exceptional contribution to the development of the maritime field and maritime education.

## Dr. Vicky Kapogianni

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Dr. Vicky Kapogianni is an interdisciplinary legal scholar currently working as a Lecturer in Law at the Kent Law School. She holds three Master's degrees in EU Law, Political Science, International Relations, Diplomacy & Governance. She obtained with honours her Ph.D in EU Law, International Public Law and International Relations through an investigation on territorial and regional conflicts within Europe, which were approached through a comparative study of States' secessionism v. Regions' self-determination claims.

Dr Kapogianni's research interests lie at the intersection of EU Law, International Public Law and International Relations. One strand of her research explores human rights protection, focusing on theory of general international law, European Human Rights Law and the interaction between the two along with the system of the European Convention on Human Rights. A second strand investigates violations of international human rights and humanitarian law in conflict-affected settings and mechanisms for advancing accountability and justice through transitional justice processes and peacebuilding. A third strand delves into protection of persons fleeing armed conflict in the EU and International legal sphere and on responsibility-sharing for sustainable solutions.

She is a member of the European Society of International Law (ESIL).

## Nino Nikolaishvili

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Nino Nikolaishvili is a Head of Department of State Representation in International Courts at the Ministry of Justice of Georgia. Her work experience includes representing Georgia before various International Courts and the bodies of the Council of Europe. Nino Nikolaishvili is also the International Criminal Court (ICC) Focal Point for Georgia.

She holds a Law Degree from Caucasus University, Caucasus School of Law (CSL, Georgia), LLM in International Human Rights Law from the University of Nottingham (UK) and currently she is a PhD candidate at Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. As a full scholarship holder, she has also graduated from the Hague Academy of International law and the International Nuremberg Principles Academy.

Nino has worked in various positions in the judicial system and at the Ministry of Justice. She holds the Certificates of Appreciation from the Ministry of Justice for her successful career at the Ministry and her special contribution in preparation and proceedings of the August 2008 war case (Georgia v. Russia (II)) before the European Court of Human Rights.

She is the author of several publications. The most recent publication is Chapter - “The Constitutional Court of Georgia - Conscientious Objection to Military Service” in the book “March to Justice: Global Military Law Landmarks”.

Nino Nikolaishvili is also a visiting trainer at various State bodies and has also guest lectured abroad. Currently, she teaches at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University and at ALTE University in Tbilisi (Georgia) where she also holds the position of Assistant Professor.

## Dr. Natia Kalandarishvili-Mueller

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Dr. Natia Kalandarishvili-Mueller is a professor of international law at ALTE University in Tbilisi (Georgia), where she teaches PIL and IHL. She has guest lectured in Switzerland, the UK, Ireland and Spain. She is the author of *Occupation and Control in International Humanitarian Law* (Routledge, 2020). Prof. Kalandarishvili-Mueller is currently a visiting fellow at the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian law and Human Rights, where she is researching the concept of extraterritorial non-international armed conflicts.

Since 2008, Prof. Kalandarishvili-Mueller has been leading international humanitarian law courses at Tbilisi State University, International Law Institute (Georgia) both on BA and LLM programmes, giving lectures and seminars alike in Georgian and English. She has also worked with Caucasus University Law School where she taught Public International Law in English. In the past, she worked as a Chief Legal Specialist (Adviser) in International Law at the Office of the State Ministry for Reintegration of Georgia (currently State Ministry for Reconciliation and Civic Equality) where she worked on issues of IHL. She holds a Law Degree from TSU (Georgia), LLM in IHL from the Geneva Academy (Switzerland), and a PhD in Law from the University of Essex (UK).

## Dr. Stoyan Panov

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Dr. Stoyan Panov is Lecturer of International Law and EU Law at University College Freiburg, University of Freiburg. He has researched and published in the areas of international criminal law, international human rights law, EU's response to the challenges to the rule of law and corruption, climate change litigation and human rights, among other topics. He was the 2019-2020 re:constitution Fellow on Exchange and Analysis on Democracy and the Rule of Law in Europe.

## Francesca Cerulli

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Francesca Cerulli graduated in International Relations at the University of Florence, Italy, with a thesis on cultural genocide and indigenous peoples which obtained two special mentions (Degree Award 'Guido Galli' and Degree Award 'Barile-Verri', Italian Red Cross). She is currently a PhD student in international law at the Law School of the University of Florence. Her research project investigates the role played by international human rights law in the protection of individual identities. Her research interests also include international environmental law, especially the evolution towards an eco-centric approach to international law, and reparative justice in international criminal law. In her studies she has also paid particular attention to women's rights, and, in this regard, she has participated in the publication of a Commentary on the Istanbul Convention forthcoming with Elgar Publishing.

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