



Accountability and Fact-Finding Mechanisms for Violations of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law The Role of the Security Council – Past and Future

Agenda

8:30 *Registration and Breakfast*

8:45–9:30 **Welcome and Introduction**

Welcome remarks:

Mr. Warren Hoge, *Senior Adviser for External Relations, International Peace Institute*

Opening statements:

Ambassador José Filipe Moraes Cabral, *Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations*

Ms. Valerie Amos, *Under-Secretary-General, Emergency Relief Coordinator, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs*

Ms. Kyung-wha Kang, *Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights*

Ms. Fatou Bensouda, *Deputy Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court*

9:30–11:00 **Individual Criminal Responsibility**

What are the key challenges related to prosecutions? What are the relative advantages and disadvantages of national and international mechanisms? How can States' compliance with their obligations to investigate and prosecute be enhanced? What lessons can be learned from existing international/hybrid mechanisms? What is the possible future role of the Security Council in relation to prosecutions?

Moderator:

Ambassador Christian Wenaweser, *Permanent Representative of the Principality of Liechtenstein to the United Nations*

Security Council Practice

Mr. Richard Dicker, *Director of the International Justice Programme, Human Rights Watch*

Non-Security Council Practice

Ms. Simone Monasebian, *Chief of the New York Office of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and former Principal Defender for the Special Court of Sierra Leone*

Mr. Robert Young, *Deputy Permanent Observer, International Committee of the Red Cross Delegation to the United Nations in New York*

Discussion: Possible future Security Council role

11:00–11:15 *Coffee break*

11:15–12:45 Fact-Finding Mechanisms

What are the challenges and advantages of the various different types of fact-finding mechanisms? To what extent have selectivity, one-sidedness of mandate, and lack of clarity of follow-up been problematic? Could a permanent mechanism be established? What is the possible future role of the Security Council in relation to prosecutions?

Moderator:

Ambassador Sylvie Lucas, *Permanent Representative of Luxembourg to the United Nations*

Security Council Practice

Mr. Erwin Van Der Borght, *Africa Program Director, Amnesty International*

Non-Security Council Practice

Ms. Francesca Marotta, *Chief, Methodology and Training Section, Office for the High Commissioner for Human Rights*

Discussion: Possible future Security Council role

12:45–1:15 Lunch

1:15–2:45 Reparations

How can the reparations dimension of accountability be given greater prominence? What have been the key challenges, lessons learned and good practices of international and national reparation mechanisms? What is the possible future role of the Security Council in relation to reparations?

Moderator:

Ambassador Mansour Ayyad SH A Alotaibi, *Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait to the United Nations*

Security Council Practice

Mr. Romesh Weeramantry, *University of Hong Kong, formerly Legal Adviser, United Nations Compensation Commission*

Non-Security Council Practice

Mr. Julien Piacibello, *Humanitarian Affairs Officer, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs*

Ms. Fatou Bensouda, *Deputy Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court*

Discussion: Possible future Security Council role

2:45–3:30 Closing remarks: Possible Future Role for the Security Council

Ambassador José Filipe Moraes Cabral, *Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations*

Ms. Valerie Amos, *Under-Secretary-General, Emergency Relief Coordinator, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs*
