



**WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?
THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT 20 YEARS AFTER ROME**

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The establishment of the International Criminal Court (ICC) has been a decisive milestone in the emergence of a culture of accountability for international crimes. It has set new standards for victim's participation, and has pronounced landmark judgments on command responsibility, the use of child soldiers, crimes of sexual violence and the destruction of cultural property. As of 17 July 2018, the Court will be able to exercise jurisdiction over the crime of aggression. Yet, the lack of cooperation by states in the execution of arrest warrants, the geographical imbalance of cases and the lack of jurisdiction over conflicts like the one in Syria equally form part of the Court's history.

On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Rome Statute, the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, the Geneva Academy and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) invite you to a panel discussion. It shall provide an opportunity to reflect on the Court's challenges and ways to address them. In particular, the panelists will talk about how the UN Human Rights Council and other institutions in Geneva can contribute to the work of the Court.

MODERATOR

- **Nicolas Michel**, President of the Board of the Geneva Academy

PANELISTS

- **Kimberly Prost**, Judge at the ICC and former member of the Canadian delegation for the negotiations of the Rome Statute
- **Valentin Zellweger**, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations Office and to the other international organisations in Geneva
- **Cécile Aptel**, Senior Legal Policy Adviser to the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, and Associate Professor of International Law at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy
- **Benjamin Charlier**, Legal adviser and Head of the Advisory Services, ICRC

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The IHL Talks are series of events, hosted by the Geneva Academy, on international humanitarian law and current humanitarian topics. Every two months, academic experts, practitioners, policy makers and journalists discuss burning humanitarian issues and their regulation under international law.