



Transitional Justice beyond the State: Non-State Actors as Object and Agents in Transitional Justice Processes

An International Conference, Jerusalem, June 14-15, 2023

Hall 405, Beit Maierdorf, Mount Scopus Campus, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Day One / Wednesday, June 14th

09:30-10:00 Gathering and Refreshments

10:00-10:15 **Greetings and Introductory Remarks**

Greetings: **Prof. Tomer Broude** / Dean, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Dr. Einat Albin / Academic Director, Minerva Center for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Adv. Danny Evron / Executive Director, Minerva Center for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Introductory Remarks: **Dr. Ron Dudai** / Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, Ben Gurion University of the Negev

10:15-11:15 **Session 1 / Conference Keynote Address**

Address: **Prof. Kieran McEvoy** / Professor of Law and Transitional Justice, School of Law and Senator George J Mitchell Institute for Global Peace, Security and Justice, Queen's University Belfast
"Armed Groups Doing the 'Rights' Thing? Apologies, Acknowledgement and Accountability in Transitional Justice"

Chair: **Dr. Ron Dudai** / Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, Ben Gurion University of the Negev

11:15-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:30 **Session 2 / Archives, Museums, and Digital Memory**

Speakers: **Prof. Ruti Teitel** / Ernst C Stiefel Professor of Comparative Law, New York Law School; Visiting Professor, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"Civil Society and its Justice Archives"
Dr. Ofri Cnaani / Visiting Professor, Institute of Visual Culture, TU Wien, Austria
"Brazil's National Museum Fire and the Struggle for the Right to be Remembered"
Dr. Hagit Keysar / Transitional Justice Postdoctoral Fellow, Minerva Center for Human Rights, Tel Aviv University
"The Politics of Digitization in Natural History Collections"
Dr. Noah Hysler Rubin / Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design Jerusalem
"The Decolonization of Jerusalem's Urban Heritage"

Chair: **Prof. Tomer Broude** / Dean, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

13:30-14:30 Lunch Break

14:30-16:15 **Session 3 / Violence, Punishment, and Transitional Justice**

Speakers: **Prof. Lesley Wexler** / University of Illinois – College of Law
"Non-State Punishment"
Prof. Katharine Fortin / School of Law, Utrecht University (via Zoom)
"Governing Insurgencies: Rebel Courts, Civilian Claims and Transitional Justice"
Dr. Ron Dudai / Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
"Underground Penalty and Transitional Justice"

Chair: **Dr. Limor Yehuda** / Research Fellow, Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-18:30 **Session 4 / Civil Society Activism and Transitional Justice**

Speakers: **Dr. Or Avi-Guy** / Lecturer and Researcher, Minerva Center for Human Rights, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"Civil society, remembrance and commemoration in post and pre-transitional settings – Northern Ireland and Israel-Palestine"
Dr. Omri Grinberg / Postdoctoral Fellow, The Martin Buber Society of Fellows, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"NGO Archives, Colonial Rigidity, and Human Rights Advocacy: Re-Aligning Custodial Perceptions in Israel/Palestine"
Dr. Yifat Gutman / Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
"Memory Activism for and against Transitional Justice"
Ms. Carmit Wolberg / Ph.D. Candidate, Dept. of Politics and Government, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
"The Struggles over Empty Plinth - in the Aftermath of Statue Removals in Bristol and New Orleans"

Chair: **Prof. Hillel Cohen** / Dept. of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Day Two / Thursday, June 15th

09:00-09:30 Gathering and Refreshments

09:30-11:15 **Session 5 / Violence, Peace, and Transitional Justice**

Speakers: **H.E. Sergio Jaramillo** / Led as National Security Advisor the Colombian government's secret negotiations with FARC-EP that ended with the framework agreement of August 2012; co-led as High Commissioner for Peace the talks that ended with the Final Agreement of November 2016
"Negotiating Justice: Victims' Rights in the Colombian Peace Agreement"
Ms. Roisin McGlone / Community organizer and conflict transformation leader, Belfast; Current Member, Truth Recovery Independent Panel of Northern Ireland
"Trust-building, Former Combatants - Preventing Public Disorder and Parade Disputes"

Chair: **Prof. Kieran McEvoy** / Professor of Law and Transitional Justice, Queen's University Belfast

11:15-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:15 **Session 6 / Accountability and the Private Sector**

Speakers: **Dr. SORCHA MacLeod** / Centre for Private Governance (CEPRI), Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen; Member, UN Working Group on the Use of Mercenaries
"Contradicting Incentives: Mercenaries and Private Military and Security Companies in Transitional Justice Processes"
Adv. Camilo Ramírez-Gutiérrez / Bosque University, Bogotá; Special Jurisdiction for Peace, Colombia
"Voluntary Transitional Justice? The Thorny Quest to Investigate and Prosecute Third Party Civilians in the Colombian Armed Conflict"
Adv. Yael Vias Gvirsman / Director, International Criminal and Humanitarian Law Clinic, Reichman University, Israel
"Holding Corporations Accountable for Mass Violations in Peace and Armed Conflict: Developing Frameworks and Persisting Loopholes"

Chair: **Dr. Or Avi-Guy** / Lecturer and Researcher, Minerva Center for Human Rights, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

13:15-14:15 Lunch Break

14:15-16:00 **Session 7 / Non-State Actors in the City**

Speakers: **Dr. Samer Sweid** / Director, The Arab Center for Alternative Planning, Israel; Postdoctoral Fellow, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, University College London
"Transitional Justice, Civil Society Organizations and Structural Barriers: The Case of the Palestinians in Israel"
Dr. Michal Huss / Transitional Justice Postdoctoral Fellow, Minerva Center for Human Rights, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"Spaces for Life and Death in the City: Housing and Cemeteries as Sites for Transitional Justice"
Dr. Uri Ansenberg / Transitional Justice Postdoctoral Fellow, Minerva Center for Human Rights, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"Real Estate Valuation in East Jerusalem"

Chair: **Dr. Einat Albin** / Academic Director, Minerva Center for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

16:00-16:15 Coffee Break

16:15-18:00 **Session 8 / Lessons from Northern Ireland, 25 Years after the Good Friday Agreement – Roundtable Discussion**

Participants: **Mr. Amnon Be'eri-Sulitzeanu** / Co-Executive Director, The Abraham Initiatives
Dr. Lior Lehrs / Research Fellow, Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Director of the Israeli-Palestinian Peacemaking Program at Mitvim - The Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Policies
Prof. Kieran McEvoy / Professor of Law and Transitional Justice, Queen's University Belfast
Ms. Roisin McGlone / Community organizer and conflict transformation leader, Belfast; Current Member, Truth Recovery Independent Panel of Northern Ireland

Moderator: **Dr. Ron Dudai** / Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, Ben Gurion University of the Negev

The conference is open to the public. The number of places is limited. Registration is required.

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