

# Serious International Crimes, Human Rights, and Forced Migration

Co-Sponsored by the Jack and Mae Nathanson Centre for Transnational Human Rights,  
Crime and Security and McLaughlin College, York University  
Helliwell Centre, IKB 1014, Osgoode Hall Law School  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada  
**THURSDAY, MAY 30<sup>th</sup>, and FRIDAY, MAY 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019**



## PROGRAM

### Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>\*

\*Day one will focus primarily on national and transnational law.

8:30 am – 9:00 am

Registration

9:00 am – 9:15 am

Welcome and Opening Remarks, Dean Mary G. Condon,  
Osgoode Hall Law School, York University

9:15 am – 10:30 am

Keynote Address: “International Crimes, International  
Outlaws, and the Interface Between International Criminal  
Law and International Refugee Law,”  
Professor Elies van Sliedregt, Chair in International and  
Comparative Justice, School of Law, University of Leeds,  
United Kingdom

10:30 am – 10:45 am

Morning Break

10:45 am – 12:15 pm

First Plenary Session – (Serious International Crimes)  
Chairperson: Justice Isaac Lenaola, Supreme Court of  
Kenya, Nairobi, Kenya (*via Skype*)

**“The Case of Verdunov and its Lessons,”**  
Lorne Waldman, OC, Waldman and Associates, Toronto,  
Ontario, Canada

**12:15 pm – 1:15 pm**

***Group Photo and Lunch***

**1:15 pm – 2:45 pm**

**Second Plenary Session – (Human Rights)**  
**Chairperson: Justice Anne Mactavish, Federal Court**  
**(Canada), Ottawa, Canada,**

**“Come Together: Can Immigration/Refugee Law and**  
**Criminal Justice Work Hand in Hand in the Fight Against**  
**Impunity for International Crimes?”**  
**Fannie Lafontaine, Faculty of Law, University of Laval,**  
**Quebec, Canada**

**“From Gitmo to Limbo: Resettling Guantanamo Bay**  
**Inmates and Their Reintegration,”**  
**Joris van Wijk, Faculty of Law, Criminology, UV, Vrije**  
**Universiteit, Amsterdam, The Netherlands**

**2:45 pm – 3:00 pm**

**Afternoon Break**

**3:00 pm – 4:30 pm**

**Third Plenary Session – (Forced Displacement)**  
**Chairperson: Justice Sir Howard Morrison,**  
**Appeals Chamber, International Criminal Court, The**  
**Hague, The Netherlands**

**“Indiscriminate Violence in International Refugee Law,”**  
**Satvinder Juss, Dickson Poon School of Law, King’s**  
**College London, United Kingdom**

**4:30 pm – 4:45 pm**

**Wrap-Up for the first day Professors Elies van Sliedregt**  
**and James C. Simeon**

**5:00 pm – 5:30 pm**

**“Mix and Mingle,” immediately followed by**  
**Symposium Dinner for the presenters, Schulich Executive**  
**Dining Room, York University**

**Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>\*\***

**\*\*Day two will focus primarily on international law.**

<b>8:30 am – 9:00 am</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9:00 am – 9:15 am</b>	<b>Announcements and Opening Remarks</b>
<b>9:15 am – 10:30 am</b>	<b>Keynote Address: “International Law – The Road Less Travelled,”</b>  <b>Justice Sir Howard Morrison, Appeals Chamber, International Criminal Court, The Hague, The Netherlands,</b>
<b>10:30 am – 10:45 am</b>	<b>Morning Break</b>
<b>10:45 am – 12:15 pm</b>	<b>Fourth Plenary Session – (Serious International Crimes)</b> <b>Chairperson: Justice Robert Barnes, Federal Court (Canada), Ottawa, Canada</b>  <b>“Persecution in International Criminal Law and Refugee Law,”</b> <b>Yao Li, Senior Research Fellow, Chair for German and International Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure and Modern Legal History, Humboldt-Universitat zu Berlin, Germany;</b>  <b>“Violations of Fundamental Human Rights, Serious International Crimes, and the Prosecution of Those who Have Been Excluded from Refugee Protection,”</b> <b>James C. Simeon, Head of McLaughlin College, School of Public Policy and Administration, Faculty of Liberal Arts &amp; Professional Studies, York University, Canada</b>
<b>12:15 pm – 1:15 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:15 pm – 2:45 pm</b>	<b>Fifth Plenary Session – (Human Rights)</b> <b>Chairperson: Justice Katelijne Declerck, Council of Alien Law Litigation, Belgium</b>  <b>“Asylum seekers and security screening of social media and data carriers in Europe”</b> <b>Maarten Bolhuis, Faculty of Law, Criminology, UV, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, The Netherlands</b>
<b>2:45 pm – 3:00 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Break</b>
<b>3:00 pm – 4:30 pm</b>	<b>Sixth Plenary Session – (Forced Displacement)</b> <b>Chairperson: Upper Tribunal Judge Judith Gleeson, Immigration and Asylum Chamber, London, United Kingdom</b>

**“National Security, Criminality and Exclusion from  
Refugee Protection under the EU Qualification Directive:  
Expanding the Grounds of Exclusion by the Back  
Door?”**

**Sarah Singer, Refugee Law Initiative, University of  
London, United Kingdom, (*via* Skype)**

**4:30 pm – 4:45 pm**

**Symposium Closing, Professors Elies van Sliedregt and  
James C. Simeon**



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