

From Nuremberg to The Hague: A Modern History of International Criminal Law

The forthcoming prosecution of General Ratko Mladić

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Public interest in international criminal law is on the rise and this year, Geoff Skillen and Magda Karagiannakis will join us to provide their insight into recent developments in the international criminal law sphere.

Mr Skillen will outline the modern history of international criminal law, starting with the Nuremberg trials to the courts and tribunals that have been established over time in order to bring violators to justice. He will also touch on Australia's own history with dealing with war criminals. Ms Karagiannakis will then speak about the current case against General Ratko Mladić for his alleged war crimes in Bosnia and use her previous experience as a prosecutor in the first Srebrenica trial against Bosnian Serb war criminal Radislav Krstić to weigh in on the potential evidence that could be brought against Mladić.

Wednesday, 17 August 2011
5:30pm for 6:00pm to 7:30pm

The Speakers

About Geoff

Geoff Skillen is a highly respected member of the International Humanitarian Law community, who from 2003 to 2010 was the Principal Legal Officer in the Office of International Law in the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department and a member of the Australian Red Cross (ACT) Committee. Mr Skillen was also a member of the Australian delegation to negotiate the 1998 Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

Mr Skillen is currently the Chair of Australian Red Cross' national International Humanitarian Law Committee and a notable author in the area of International Humanitarian Law.

About Magda

As a barrister and an academic at La Trobe University in Melbourne, Magda Karagiannakis is highly regarded as an expert and specialist in international criminal law and human rights law. She is also the editor of the 2010 publication "Critical Assessments of International Criminal Courts".

Ms Karagiannakis' previous experience includes serving as a prosecutor at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, appearing as counsel before the International Court of Justice and acting as a senior legal advisor and investigator to the UN inquiry into the assassination of the former Lebanese Prime Minister.

Venue

Central Park Theatrette
Central Park
152-158 St Georges Terrace
Perth

Refreshments

Light refreshments served from 5:30pm - 6:00pm

Booking and Enquiries

Entry is free, however bookings are essential. Please RSVP to Vivienne Ryan at vryan@redcross.org.au or phone: (08) 9225 1928

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