Emerging Issues of Relationship between International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law

A Joint Conference of the European Society of International Law and the Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University
(for participants from Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia)

Tbilisi, Georgia
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The conference is organised in memoriam of the honorable academic, Professor Levan Aleksidze, the founder of international law school in Georgia

CALL FOR PAPERS:

The general topic of the conference is the relationship between IHL and IHRL. The conference will bring together international scholars, judges, and lawyers, mostly from the three Caucasian states – Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia. The programme will also include a number of prominent international legal scholars and judges as invited speakers.

All interested scholars and practitioners, especially those from the three Caucasian states, are invited to submit a paper to the conference related to the general topic.

More specific topics include:

- General overview of latest challenges of the PIL
- Extraterritorial application of human rights law;
- The principle of proportionality in HRsL and IHL;
- The right to life and targeting rules in IHL;
- The prohibition of torture, inhuman and degrading treatment and punishment;
- The methods of warfare, recent weapons and practices;
- IHL application to cyberspace;
- Investigating violations of IHL;
- Procedural obligations under the ECHR in armed conflict;
- The right to property in armed conflict;
- Social, economic and cultural rights in armed conflict;
- Human rights obligations in cases of belligerent occupation and *de facto* control of foreign territory.
- Security issues on occupied territories.

Proposals are equally welcome from senior and junior scholars and from practitioners. Both ESIL members and non-members are invited to submit abstracts. ESIL membership will be encouraged if your abstract is selected. The working language of the conference will be English.

Abstracts of proposed papers (between 500 and 1,000 words) should be submitted to esil.tbilisi@yahoo.com by 5 April 2020. Please include your name, email address and a one-page curriculum vitae with your abstract. Applicants will be informed about the results of the selection by 5th May 2020. Selected speakers are expected to submit extended outlines (8-10 pages) of their papers before the Conference starts.

The possibility of a post-conference publication will be discussed at the conference.

Speakers will be expected to bear the costs of their own travel and accommodation. Some ESIL travel grants will be available to offer partial financial support to ESIL members who are selected as speakers and who have exhausted all other potential sources of funding.