**ATROCITY CRIMES PREVENTION AND HUMAN RIGHTS:**

**IMPLEMENTING THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT**

DUBROVNIK ATROCITY PREVENTION SCHOOL

7 – 12 May 2023

https://iuc.hr/programme/1755

## **Background**

The prevention of atrocity crimes (genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity), is one of the great challenges of our times. This course offers a unique opportunity to study atrocity prevention and examine the ways in which prevention is practiced in the field alongside some of the world’s leading practitioners and scholars. It examines the causes of atrocity crimes, and how they escalate from patterns of human rights violations, the challenge and practices of early warning and the practical dilemmas associated with translating early warning into early preventive action.

Participants will explore the challenge of assessing the effectiveness of different types of preventions, focusing on preventive diplomacy, field operations, humanitarian action, civil society action, economic inducements and other mean of prevention. During this course, participants will learn different ways of examining and evaluating atrocity prevention, to understand and compare the different actors engaged in this work, to consider the relationship between gender, human rights, and the prevention of atrocity crimes, and to understand, assess and utilise key tools such as preventive diplomacy, peaceful measures, coercive measures, the protection of civilians in complex operations, transitional justice and accountability, and the prevention of recurrence. These insights and skills will be put to the test in a series of exercises.

## **Objectives**

The Dubrovnik Atrocity Prevention School will introduce participants to the foundations and challenges of atrocity prevention and put special emphasis on the implementation of the “responsibility to protect” (R2P) principle agreed by all UN member states in 2005. More specifically, course participants will, inter alia, learn to:

* identify risks for atrocity crimes in a given society
* understand the relationship between certain types of human rights violations and atrocity crimes/risks
* consider which preventive and responsive measures are available in such situation
* analyze the challenges that exist at the national, regional and international level to effective and timely atrocity prevention
* understand the gendered dimensions of atrocity crimes and prevention
* examine good practices that exist in the field of atrocity prevention
* evaluate the potential and impact of various mechanisms and institutions that work on atrocity prevention at the national, regional and international level
* assess the role civil society and regional organizations can play in atrocity prevention

The course will apply a participant-centered learning approach and employ case-studies, presentations, simulations, and excursions. Each course will draw on expert guest lecturers, including members of the Global Network of R2P Focal Points and other practitioners who will be invited to share their experience of working on atrocity prevention.

After completion of the course, student participants can participate in an optional exam which, depending on their home university, will count for 5 ECTS. Details will be announced during the course. After the course, all participants are expected to be able to apply their new knowledge on atrocity prevention in their own field of studies or work assignment.

## **Participants**

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The coursetargets graduate students with a strong academic record and a documented interest in the field of atrocity prevention and R2P.

All course participants are expected to participate actively in the classroom discussions. All teaching will be conducted in English.

## **Expected Outcomes**

The course will create a new group of young leaders on atrocity prevention. The Dubrovnik Atrocity Prevention School will offer all alumni the ability to join an online network to build on the course experience and remain connected with other participants as well as the course directors and other resource persons. This will help to build a community of R2P practitioners.

## **Course Directors**

The Dubrovnik Atrocity Prevention School is co-organised by leaders in the field of atrocity prevention with rich experience both in R2P research and implementation:

1. Professor Alex Bellamy, University of Queensland, Australia; Director of the Asia- Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect (will this year only participate online)
2. Assistant Professor Mario Krešić, University of Zagreb, Croatia
3. Associate Professor Martin Mennecke, University of Southern Denmark, Denmark; Academic Adviser to the Focal Point on R2P in the Danish Foreign Ministry, Denmark
4. Professor Ivan Šimonović, University of Zagreb, Croatia; Former UN Assistant Secretary General for Human Rights and Special Advisor to the United Nations Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect; currently Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations in New York
5. Associate Professor Karen Smith, University of Leiden, The Netherlands; Former Special Advisor to the United Nations Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect
6. Associate Professor Cristina G. Stefan, University of Leeds, United Kingdom; Co-Director of the European Centre for the Responsibility to Protect

## **Course Lecturers**

In addition to the course directors, each year, the Dubrovnik Atrocity Prevention School is joined online or in-person by some guest lecturers who can make a special contribution to the course due to their expertise and experience in the field of atrocity prevention implementation. They are all listed in the programme below.

## **Important Dates**

Course registration (<https://iuc.hr/programme/1755>): 11 April 2023.

Payment of the course fee: 1 May 2023 (in-person participants will have to make an additional payment after arriving in Dubrovnik).

Arrival of the in-person participants in Dubrovnik: Sunday, 7 May 2023 (the programme will start in the afternoon after 15:30; more details to follow).

Start and end of the joint teaching sessions of the course: 8 – 12 May 2023.

## **Course Venue and Modes of Participation**

The course will take place at the Inter-University Centre (IUC) in Dubrovnik, Croatia. Details regarding the venue can be found here: <https://www.iuc.hr/>.

The participants will have the possibility to choose between in-person (physical presence) participation and online remote participation through an online platform when registering for the course. If the participant wants to change the mode of participation after registration, this can be done by contacting the course coordinator Josipa ([dubrovnikr2p@gmail.com](mailto:dubrovnikr2p@gmail.com)).

## **Registration and Course Fee**

All participants have to register online <https://iuc.hr/programme/1755> (“Apply”) no later than 11 April 2023. Availability is limited.

The Course fee is 100 EUR for in-person participation and 75 EUR for online participation.

All participants have to pay the 75 EUR fee by 1 May. Participants who will attend the course in-person have to pay additional 25 EUR fee upon starting the course in Dubrovnik.

The fee can be paid as part of the registration. If you have not paid the fee when registering, you have go through the registration process again or contact Inter-University Centre (IUC) in Dubrovnik ([iuc@iuc.hr](mailto:iuc@iuc.hr)) to send you the information regarding the bank account.

## **Accommodation**

Each participant is responsible for funding his/her own travel, accommodation and food.

For more information on different options for accommodation please see the IUC website: <https://www.iuc.hr/accomodation.php>.

We have reserved discounted accommodation in a student dormitory (15-20 minutes walk from the IUC building) and at Apartments Kuzman (5 minutes from the IUC building). You can get additional information and arrange your accommodation by sending an email to the course coordinator Josipa at: [dubrovnikr2p@gmail.com](mailto:dubrovnikr2p@gmail.com) (please mention that you are participant of the Dubrovnik Atrocity Prevention School). We would recommend to arrange your accommodation as soon as possible. The number of available rooms is limited and we cannot guarantee that rooms will be available for all participants.

Inter-University Centre has some options for supporting participants who attend IUC programmes. For more information about IUC scholarships see: <https://iuc.hr/scholarships> and contact directly IUC office: [iuc@iuc.hr](mailto:iuc@iuc.hr).

More useful information about Dubrovnik can be found at: <https://iuc.hr/useful-info>.

## **Visa and entry restrictions**

We would recommend to start as soon as possible with the process of visa issuing, if this is required for your travel to Croatia. You can start with informing about the visa procedure for travelling to Croatia (education reason) following this [link](https://mvep.gov.hr/services-for-citizens/consular-information-22802/visas-22807/visa-requirements-overview-22879/22879) and continue with contacting the Croatian Embassy in your country. If you will need documents to be provided by the organizer of the educational programme (e.g., Letter of Guarantee, Invitation Letter), please contact the Inter University Centre ([iuc@iuc.hr](mailto:iuc@iuc.hr)).

**COURSE SCHEDULE FOR 2023**

**Zoom details for students and course lecturers participating online:**

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81643124006?pwd=ZGgwRENlRDJ6RDBtMGxMbHdwa282UT09](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fus06web.zoom.us%2Fj%2F81643124006%3Fpwd%3DZGgwRENlRDJ6RDBtMGxMbHdwa282UT09&data=05%7C01%7Cmarme%40sam.sdu.dk%7C68fa39f5bfca4084246408db3cd962c1%7C9a97c27db83e4694b35354bdbf18ab5b%7C0%7C0%7C638170676575672271%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=UJm5%2BobX7vz9tg8BFHDr%2FkAczS%2BfhtFFn5uLWhTisSc%3D&reserved=0)

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**SUNDAY, 7 MAY**

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| **Arrival of participants and lecturers in Dubrovnik** | |
| Dubrovnik time |  |
| 16:00–17:00 | Welcome at IUC and round of introduction for the participants present in Dubrovnik  Remarks by Ambassador Ivan Simonovic, Director-General of the Inter-University Centre Dubrovnik: The History and Objectives of IUC |
| 17:00–19:00 | Guided city tour of Dubrovnik (meeting point: outside IUC building) |
| 19:00 | Optional dinner at local restaurant “Orhan” (address: Ulica od Tabakarije 1) |

**MONDAY, 8 MAY**

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| Dubrovnik time |  | Brisbane time |
| 8:45 | **Arrival of all Participants at IUC and Online**  (to make sure the online participants and those in Dubrovnik can hear each other well, the IUC Staff will conduct a sound check) | 16:45 |
| 09:00–09:45 | **Introduction to the Course, Participants and Lecturers**  [*Mario Krešić*](https://www.pravo.unizg.hr/en/mario.kresic) and everyone present in Dubrovnik and online | 17:00–17:45 |
| 10:00–11:15 | **R2P Basics and Challenges: Presentations by Course Participants**  **(based on the pre-course group work)**  *Facilitators:* [*Martin Mennecke*](https://portal.findresearcher.sdu.dk/da/persons/marme) *and* [*Cristina G. Stefan*](https://essl.leeds.ac.uk/politics/staff/104/dr-cristina-g-stefan)  Jaclyn Streitfeld-Hall and Savita Pawnday, “[R2P and Prevention](https://link.springer.com/referenceworkentry/10.1007/978-3-030-11795-5_17-1)”, in Oliver Richmond and Gezim Visoka (eds.) *The Palgrave Encyclopedia of Peace and Conflict Studies* (Springer, 2020), 1-16  Spencer Zifcak, “[Responsibility to protect](https://www.oxfordlawtrove.com/view/10.1093/he/9780198791836.001.0001/he-9780198791836-chapter-16)”, in Malcolm Evans (ed.), *International Law* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 5th edition 2018), 484-517 | 18:00–19:15 |

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| 11:30–12:00 | **R2P in Practice: My Lessons Learnt as UN Special Adviser on R2P**  Moderator: Mario Krešić  *Ivan Simonovic (UN Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect, 2016-2018)*  *Karen Smith\* [[1]](#footnote-1) (UN Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect, 2019-2021)*  *George Okoth-Obbo (UN Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect, since 2022)*  Edward C. Luck, “[Getting There, Being There: The Dual Roles of the Special Adviser](https://www.oxfordhandbooks.com/view/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780198753841.001.0001/oxfordhb-9780198753841-e-16)”, in Alex Bellamy and Tim Dunne (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of the Responsibility to Protect* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016), 288-314  UN Secretary-General, [Advancing Atrocity Prevention; Work of the Office on Genocide Prevention and R2P](https://undocs.org/A/75/863), 3 May 2021 | 19:30–20:00 |
| 12:00—12:45 | Q&A and discussion | 20:00–20:45 |
| 12:45–13:15 | **Informal, Optional Follow-up for all Online Participants**  This zoom session will allow online participants to discuss the first half of the day with some of the lecturers present in Dubrovnik. Depending on how useful this seems to the online participants, we may do this again later during the week. | 20:45–21:15 |
| 13:00—13:30 | **Official Welcome and Light Reception for all Participants**  IUC Courtyard (please note: this will not be a full lunch) | N/A |

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| Dubrovnik time |  | Brisbane time |
| 14:00–15:15 | **The United Nations and R2P**  Moderator: Martin Mennecke  [*Juliette Paauwe*](https://www.globalr2p.org/about/#staff)\* *(Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)*  Edward C. Luck, “[Why the UN Underperforms at Preventing Mass Atrocities](https://digitalcommons.usf.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1516&context=gsp)”, *Genocide Studies and Prevention* (volume11, issue 3,2018), 32-47  [Podcast](https://www.globalr2p.org/publications/expert-voices-on-atrocity-prevention-episode-18-savita-pawnday/), Expert Voices on Atrocity Prevention: Charles Petrie, Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, 14 October 2021 | 22:00–23:15 |
| 15:30–16:30 | **Civil Society as the Lone Driver of R2P?**  Moderator: Cristina Stefan  [*Savita Pawnday*](https://www.globalr2p.org/about/#staff) (*Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect*)  [Podcast](https://www.globalr2p.org/publications/expert-voices-on-atrocity-prevention-episode-6-charles-petrie/), Expert Voices on Atrocity Prevention: Savita Pawnday, Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, 24 February 2023  [Interview](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J8iPAI082cs), Binghamton University, March 2019 | 23:30–00:30 |
| 16:30–17:00 | **Time for follow-up questions and open discussion**  This half hour will allow all course participants to follow up on issues raised in today’s sessions together with the course lecturers present in the classroom in Dubrovnik. | 00:30–01:00 |

**TUESDAY, 9 MAY**

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| 8:30–9:45 | **Risk Assessment for Atrocity Crimes****in Theory and Practice**  [*Kirril Shields*](https://polsis.uq.edu.au/profile/3963/kirril-shields) *(Asia-Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect & University of Queensland, Australia) and* [*Jeff Sizemore*](https://www.binghamton.edu/i-gmap/events-news/vp/ay22-23.html) *(Department of State, United States)*  United Nations, [*Framework of Analysis for Atrocity Crimes. A tool for prevention*](https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/documents/about-us/Doc.3_Framework%20of%20Analysis%20for%20Atrocity%20Crimes_EN.pdf), 2014, 1-9  Asia-Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, [Asia Pacific Regional Outlook: Early Warning Atrocity Crimes](https://r2pasiapacific.org/files/9752/APRO_Feb2023_complete.pdf), February 2023  [US Atrocity Risk Assessment Framework](https://www.state.gov/u-s-atrocity-risk-assessment-framework/), 21 December 2022 | 16:30–17:45 |
| 10:00–11:00 | **R2P and Gender**  [*Cristina G. Stefan*](https://essl.leeds.ac.uk/politics/staff/104/dr-cristina-g-stefan) *(European Centre for the Responsibility to Protect & University of Leeds, United Kingdom)*  Cristina G. Stefan, “[Opportunity for Gendering the Responsibility to Protect Agenda at the United Nations?](https://academic.oup.com/isagsq/article/1/3/ksab015/6372969?login=true)”, *Global Studies Quarterly*, vol. 1 (2021), 1-13 | 18:00–19:00 |
| 11:15—12:30 | **Regional Actors and R2P: A Conversation on the The African Union, ASEAN and the European Union**  *Facilitation* [*Ellen E. Stensrud*](https://www.hlsenteret.no/english/about/medarbeidere/forskning/ellen-emilie-stensrud/) *(Norwegian Centre for*  *Holocaust and Minority Studies)*  *African Union* [*Frank Okyere*](https://gh.linkedin.com/in/frankokyere)\* (*Kofi Annan Peacekeeping*  *Centre, Ghana*)  *ASEAN* *Kirril Shields* *(Asia-Pacific Centre for the*  *Responsibility to Protect & University of*  *Queensland)*  *European Union*  *Cristina G. Stefan (European Centre for the*  *Responsibility to Protect & University of Leeds)*  Kwesi Aning and Frank Okyere, “[The African Union and the Responsibility to Protect](https://www.academia.edu/36782367/Annual_Review_of_Peace_Support_Operations_in_Africa_2017)”, in Emma Birikorang, Frank Okyere and Kwesi Aning (eds.), *Annual Review of Peace Support Operations in Africa 2017* (Kofi Annan Peacekeeping Training Centre, 2018),125-139  Noel Morada, “[ASEAN and the Rakhine Crisis: Balancing Non-interference, Accountability and Strategic Interests in Responding to Atrocities in Myanmar](https://brill.com/view/journals/gr2p/13/2-3/article-p131_131.xml)”, *Global Responsibility to Protect* (volume 13, issue 2-3, 2021), 131-157  Edward Newman and Cristina G. Stefan, “[Normative Power Europe? The EU’s Embrace of the Responsibility to Protect in a Transitional International Order](https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/jcms.12953)”, *Journal of Common Market Studies* (volume 58, issue 2, 2020), 472-490 | 19:15—20:30 |

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| 13:45–14:45 | **R2P, the International Criminal Court and Transitional Justice**  *Martin Mennecke (University of Southern Denmark)*  Kyra Fox, [The Role of Justice in Preventing Mass Atrocities: Evolving Debates and New Directions](https://www.ushmm.org/m/pdfs/The_Role_of_Justice_in_Preventing_Mass_Atrocities_-_Evolving_Debates_and_New_Directions.pdf), Concept Note, US Holocaust Memorial Museum, 2019 (7 pages)  Maartje Weerdesteijn and Barbora Holá, [“Tool in the R2P Toolbox”? Analysing the Role of the International Criminal Court in the Three Pillars of the Responsibility to Protect](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10609-020-09394-x), Criminal Law Forum, vol. 31 (2020), 377-414 | 21:45–22:45 |
| 15:00–16:15 | **R2P and ‘Never Again’: Can We Learn from History?**  Moderator: Martin Mennecke  [*Thorsten Wagner*](https://www.faspe-ethics.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/FASPE_TWagner_Bio.pdf)\* *(Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics, New York, United States)*  Harald Welzer, “Did the Holocaust Have an Audience?”, in Nikolaus Hirsch, Wolfgang Lorch and Andrea Wandel (eds.), [*Gleis17/Track 17*](https://www.sternberg-press.com/product/gleis-17-track-17/), (Berlin: Sternberg Press, 2009), 29-39  Timothy Snyder, [Germany’s Historical Responsibility for Ukraine](https://marieluisebeck.de/artikel/20-06-2017/timothy-snyder-germanys-historical-responsibility-ukraine), speech, 20 June 2017  UN Special Rapporteur on the Promotion of Truth, Justice, Reparation and Guarantees of Non-Recurrence, [Report on Visit to Croatia](https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/G22/409/03/PDF/G2240903.pdf?OpenElement), UN Doc. A/HRC/51/34/Add.1, 19 July 2022, 13-17 | 23:00–00:15 |
| 16:15–16:45 | **Time for follow-up questions and open discussion**  This half hour will allow all course participants to follow up on issues raised in today’s sessions together with the course lecturers present in the classroom in Dubrovnik. | 00:15–00:45 |

**WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY**

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| Dubrovnik time |  | Brisbane time |
| 9:00–10:00 | **R2P and Croatia**  *Mario Krešić (University of Zagreb, Croatia)*  Humanitarian Law Centre, [Criminal Charge for the Missing Brothers Abjanović Dismissed](https://zoneofnonresponsibility.net/criminal-charges/criminal-charge-for-the-missing-brothers-abjanovic-dismissed/), Belgrade, 13 March 2019  Humanitarian Law Centre, [Dossier: Crimes against Croats in Vojvodina](http://www.hlc-rdc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Dosije_Hrvati_u_Vojvodini_eng.pdf), Belgrade, January 2019 (read: summary, 9-10; introduction, 11-16; The disappearance of Mato and Ivica Abjanović, 56-57; parts referring to the village Morović, 19, 21, 22 and 30)  United Nations International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals. [Case: Šešelj, Vojislav](https://www.irmct.org/en/cases/mict-16-99) (MICT-16-99)  European Court of Human Rights, [The Admissibility of an Application](https://www.echr.coe.int/Documents/COURTalks_Inad_Talk_ENG.pdf), 2015 (read: temporal jurisdiction, 4)  UN General Assembly, [UN Declaration of Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power](https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/documents/atrocity-crimes/Doc.29_declaration%20victims%20crime%20and%20abuse%20of%20power.pdf), UN Doc. A/RES/40/34, 29 November 1985 | 17:00–18:00 |
| 10:15–11:15 | **R2P and Bosnia and Herzegovina**  Moderator: Cristina Stefan  [*Velma Saric*](https://www.frient-peacebuilding-forum.de/speaker/velma-saric)\* (Post-Conflict Research Centre, Bosnia and Herzegovina)  Fred Carver, [How to Prevent Atrocities in Bosnia and Beyond](https://www.devex.com/news/opinion-how-to-prevent-atrocities-in-bosnia-and-beyond-102472), Global Views blog, Devex, 21 January 2022  Tallan Donine, [Genocide Denial, Rising Tensions, and Political Crisis in Bosnia](https://www.ushmm.org/genocide-prevention/blog/genocide-denial-rising-tensions-and-political-crisis-in-bosnia), United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Genocide Prevention blog, 18 February 2022  Tiffany Fairey, [Peace is Possible: The Role of Strategic Narratives in Peacebuilding](https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/17506352231160360), *Media, War & Conflict*, 2023 | 18:15–19:15 |

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| 11:30–12:30 | **R2P and Myanmar**  [*Ellen E. Stensrud*](https://www.hlsenteret.no/english/about/medarbeidere/forskning/ellen-emilie-stensrud/) *(Norwegian Centre for Holocaust and Minority Studies)*  Martin Mennecke and Ellen E. Stensrud, “[The Failure of the International Community to Apply R2P and Atrocity Prevention in Myanmar](https://brill.com/view/journals/gr2p/13/2-3/article-p111_111.xml)”, *Global Responsibility to Protect* (vol. 13, issue 2-3, 2021), 111-130  Nickey Diamond, [Myanmar’s Victims and Survivors Deserve Justice](https://thediplomat.com/2023/04/myanmars-victims-and-survivors-deserve-justice/), *The Diplomat*, 13 April 2023 | 19:30–20:30 |
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| 13:45–14:45 | **R2P and Ghana**  Moderator: Karen Smith  *Frank Okyere*\* (*Kofi Annan Peacekeeping Centre, Ghana*)  William A. Awinador-Kanyirige, “[Ghana's National Peace Council](http://s156658.gridserver.com/media/files/awinador-ghana-national-peace-council.pdf)”, Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, Policy Brief, August 2014 | 21:45–22:45 |
| 15:00–16:00 | **Atrocity Prevention (not R2P) and the United States**  [*Jeff Sizemore*](https://www.binghamton.edu/i-gmap/events-news/vp/ay22-23.html) *(Department of State, United States)*  [Elie Wiesel Genocide and Atrocities Prevention Act](https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/1158/text), 2018  U.S. Department of State, “[2022 Report to Congress Pursuant to Section 5 of the Elie Wiesel Genocide and Atrocities Prevention Act of 2018](https://www.state.gov/2022-report-to-congress-pursuant-to-section-5-of-the-elie-wiesel-genocide-and-atrocities-prevention-act-of-2018/)”, 15 July 2022  U.S. Department of State, [United States Strategy to Anticipate, Prevent and Respond to Atrocities](https://www.state.gov/2022-united-states-strategy-to-anticipate-prevent-and-respond-to-atrocities/), July 2022 | 23:00–00:00 |
| 16:00–16:30 | **Time for follow-up questions and open discussion**  This half hour will allow all course participants to follow up on issues raised in today’s sessions together with the course lecturers present in the classroom in Dubrovnik. | 00:00–00:30 |
| 16:30–18:00 | **Optional: Excursion to the Dubrovnik War Museum**  Joint visit with introduction by Josipa Jerabek (course coordinator and graduate of DAPS 2021)  International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, [Dubrovnik and Crimes Against Cultural Heritage](https://www.icty.org/en/outreach/documentaries/dubrovnik-and-crimes-against-cultural-heritage), documentary  International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, [Case Information Sheet, Dubrovnik: Pavle Strugar](https://www.icty.org/x/cases/strugar/cis/en/cis_strugar_en.pdf)  Ivana Polic, [Three Decades On, War’s Legacy Still Overshadows Croatia](https://balkaninsight.com/2021/03/31/three-decades-on-wars-legacy-still-overshadows-croatia/), Balkan Transitional Justice, 31 March 2021 | N/A |

**THURSDAY, 11 MAY**

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| Dubrovnik time | |  | Brisbane time |
| 9:00–10:00 | | **R2P and Hate Speech**  [*Kirril Shields*](https://polsis.uq.edu.au/profile/3963/kirril-shields) *(Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)*  Lelia Green and Viet Tho Le, "[Holding the Line: Responsibility, Digital Citizenship and the Platforms](https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-030-95220-4_5)," in Terry Flew and Fiona R. Martin (eds.), *Digital Platform Regulations: Global Perspectives on Internet Governance* (London: Palgrave MacMillan), 2022, 85-109  Imtiaz Khan and Ali Shahaab, "[Facebook Often Removes Evidence of Atrocities in Countries Like Syrian and Myanmar-But We Can Preserve It](https://theconversation.com/facebook-often-removes-evidence-of-atrocities-in-countries-like-syria-and-myanmar-but-we-can-preserve-it-164364)," *Conversation*, 16 July 2021 | 17:00–18:00 |
| 10:15–11:15 | **Introduction to the R2P Focal Points and their Global Network**  *Martin Mennecke (University of Southern Denmark)* Martin Mennecke, “[Never again? The role of the global network of R2P focal points in preventing atrocity crimes](https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/09240519211017669)”, *Netherlands Quarterly of Human Rights* (volume39, issue 2, 2021), 161-181 The article can also be downloaded here: <https://portal.findresearcher.sdu.dk/da/publications/never-again-the-role-of-the-global-network-of-r2p-focal-points-in> | | 18:15–19:15 |
| 11:30–12:30 | **How to Make it Work in Government and at the United Nations: Reflections on the Challenges of R2P in Practice**  Introductory remarks by Jeff Sizemore, Martin Mennecke and Karen Smith | | 19:30–20:30 |

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| 13:45–16:15 | **Atrocity Prevention Simulation**  Facilitation: [*Jeff Sizemore*](https://www.binghamton.edu/i-gmap/events-news/vp/ay22-23.html) *(Department of State, United States)*  (this session will only be available to the participants present in Dubrovnik) | N/A |
| 16:15–17:00 | **Debriefing after the simulation** | N/A |

**FRIDAY, 12 MAY**

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| 9:00–11:00 | **Applying R2P to the War in Ukraine? How and who?**  *Students will present and discuss the results of their group work.* | 17:00–19:00 |
| 11:15–13:00 | **R2P and Ukraine: Useless, Dead or Alive and Kicking?**  Open discussion with introductory remarks by *Ivan Simonovic, Ambassador of Croatia to the United Nations and Former UN Special Adviser on R2P* (2016-2018)  Rebecca Barber, [Does the ‘Responsibility to Protect’ Require States to go to War with Russia?](https://www.justsecurity.org/80833/does-the-responsibility-to-protect-require-states-to-go-to-war-with-russia/), Just Security, 25 March 2022  Aidan Hehir, [Another False Success: The Responsibility to Protect and Invasion of Ukraine](https://ecr2p.leeds.ac.uk/another-false-success-the-responsibility-to-protect-and-the-invasion-of-ukraine/), Fresh Perspectives blog, European Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, 4 April 2022  Gareth Evans, [Russian Atrocities in Ukraine and the Future of R2P, Address to Young Diplomats Society](https://www.gevans.org/speeches/Speech753.html), University of Melbourne, 17 August 2022  Ivan Simonovic, Ukraine: Possible Solutions to the Crisis: “A Human Rights Approach”, in: [Geneva Centre for the Control of Armed Forces (ed.), Ukraine and European Security: Prospects for the Future](https://www.dcaf.ch/osce-focus-ukraine-and-european-security-prospects-future), 2015, 33-49 | 19:15–21:00 |
| 13:00–13:15 | **Wrap up, information on the exam, evaluation and next steps**  Mario Krešić and Martin Mennecke | 21:00–21:15 |

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| 14:00–15:30 | **Optional: Tour of the Dubrovnik City Walls**  Visit with brief introduction by Josipa Jerabek (course coordinator and graduate of DAPS 2021) | N/A |

**PRE-COURSE AND FURTHER READINGS**

A working background knowledge of international relations, global governance and human rights is assumed, as is some basic knowledge about the responsibility to protect (R2P) and atrocity prevention. All participants are encouraged to read at least parts of the following readings to ensure that all participants have a common starting point for the discussions:

* Scott Straus, [*Fundamentals of Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention*](https://www.ushmm.org/genocide-prevention/reports-and-resources/fundamentals-of-genocide-and-mass-atrocity-prevention)(Washington, DC: US Holocaust Memorial Museum, 2016)
* Alex J. Bellamy and Edward C. Luck, [*The Responsibility to Protect: From Promise to Practice*](https://www.wiley.com/en-us/The+Responsibility+to+Protect%3A+From+Promise+to+Practice-p-9781509512478)(Cambridge: Polity, 2018)
* Alex J. Bellamy and Tim Dunne (eds.), [*The Oxford Handbook on the Responsibility to Protect*](https://www.oxfordhandbooks.com/view/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780198753841.001.0001/oxfordhb-9780198753841)(Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016)
* Cecilia Jacob and Martin Mennecke (eds.), [*Implementing the Responsibility to Protect: A Future Agenda*](https://www.routledge.com/Implementing-the-Responsibility-to-Protect-A-Future-Agenda/Jacob-Mennecke/p/book/9780367265526) (London: Routledge, 2019)

Students may also wish to familiarize themselves with some other key texts, including:

* Gareth Evans, [*The Responsibility to Protect: Ending Mass Atrocity Crimes Once and for all*](http://www.gevans.org/r2pbook.html) (Washington, DC: The Brookings Institution, 2008)
* Cristina G. Badescu (Stefan), [*Humanitarian Intervention and the Responsibility to Protect: Security and Human Rights*](https://www.routledge.com/Humanitarian-Intervention-and-the-Responsibility-to-Protect-Security-and/Badescu/p/book/9780415532440) (London: Routledge 2011)
* Cristina G. Stefan*,* “[On Non-Western Norm Shapers: Brazil and the Responsibility while Protecting](http://eprints.whiterose.ac.uk/106706/3/Final%20Version%20EJIS%20Brazil%20and%20Norms.pdf)” *European Journal of International Security* (Volume 2, Issue 1, 2017), 88-110
* Cristina G. Stefan, “[The Responsibility to Protect: Locating Norm Entrepeneurship](https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/ethics-and-international-affairs/article/responsibility-to-protect-locating-norm-entrepreneurship/22B069AD980489DDA64E85B1F10334D4/share/6ff34f0262e4797073298acbbae400fdde2fc134)”, Ethics and International Affairs, vol. 35 (2021), 197-211
* Sara E. Davies, “[Addressing the Gender Gap in R2P](https://www.oxfordhandbooks.com/view/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780198753841.001.0001/oxfordhb-9780198753841-e-26)”, in Alex Bellamy and Tim Dunne (eds.), *The* *Oxford Handbook on the Responsibility to Protect* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016), 489-508
* Martin Mennecke, [*Denmark and the Responsibility to Protect: How to Put Atrocity Prevention into Practice in Danish Foreign Policy*](https://www.taylorfrancis.com/chapters/edit/10.4324/9780429293795-3/denmark-implementation-r2p-martin-mennecke), 2019
* Serena K. Sharma and Jennifer M. Welsh (eds.), [*The Responsibility to Prevent: Overcoming the Challenges of Atrocity Prevention*](https://oxford.universitypressscholarship.com/view/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780198717782.001.0001/acprof-9780198717782)(Oxford: Oxford University Press 2015)
* Annette Jansen, [*Anti-Genocide Activists and the Responsibility to Protect*](https://www.routledge.com/Anti-genocide-Activists-and-the-Responsibility-to-Protect/Jansen/p/book/9780367248031) (Oxon: Routledge, 2017)
* Sheri Rosenberg, Tibi Galis and Alex Zucker (eds.), [*Reconstructing Atrocity Prevention*](https://www.cambridge.org/core/books/reconstructing-atrocity-prevention/A84E3B4E44934EC32B494C85FC7D7326)(Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015)
* James Waller, [*Confronting Evil: Engaging our Responsibility to Prevent Genocide*](https://global.oup.com/academic/product/confronting-evil-9780199300709)(Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016)
* Ervin Staub, [*Overcoming Evil: Genocide, Violent Conflict and Terrorism*](https://oxford.universitypressscholarship.com/view/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780195382044.001.0001/acprof-9780195382044)(Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013)
* European External Action Service, [*EU Responsibility to Protect – Atrocity Prevention Tool Kit*](https://eeas.europa.eu/sites/default/files/eu_r2p_atrocity_prevention_toolkit.pdf), September 2018
* USAID, [*Field Guide – Helping Prevent Mass Atrocities*](https://www.usaid.gov/democracy/document/field-guide-helping-prevent-mass-atrocities), April 2015

Many of these books contain extensive case studies. Students should familiarize themselves with the key contemporary and historical cases, some of which are listed above, as the course will make frequent reference to them. Students may also examine some practitioner accounts and writings, including:

* Kofi Annan, [*Interventions: A Life in War and Peace*](https://www.kofiannanfoundation.org/annan-work/interventions-a-life-in-war-and-peace/)(New York: Penguin, 2012).
* Jean-Marie Guéhenno, [*The Fog of Peace: A Memoir of International Peacekeeping in the 21st Century*](https://www.brookings.edu/book/the-fog-of-peace/)(Washington, DC: The Brookings Institution, 2015)
* Romeo Dallaire, [*Shake Hands With the Devil: The Failure of Humanity in Rwanda*](https://www.penguin.com.au/books/shake-hands-with-the-devil-9781407098746) (London: Da Capo Press; 2004) - Dallaire was commander of UN forces in Rwanda
* John Holmes, [*The Politics of Humanity: The Reality of Relief Aid*](https://headofzeus.com/books/9781781852088)(London: Head of Zeus, 2013)

1. The speakers marked with an \* will join us via zoom. Karen Smith will join us in person at the course in Dubrovnik from Wednesday-Friday. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)