



*Geoffrey Nice Foundation on*  
**Law, History, Politics, and Society**  
**in the context of Mass Atrocities**

**Geoffrey Nice Foundation**

in partnership with

**Transitional Justice Working Group (Seoul, South Korea)**

organises

**Master Class**

on

**“Mapping, Documenting and Prosecuting Mass Atrocities”**

to be held at

**the Inter-University Centre in Dubrovnik, Croatia**  
**from 01 to 12 July 2019**

**Theme:** Mapping Really Matters: Mapping Crimes Against Humanity: Applications in International Criminal Justice and Technical Methodologies

**Dates:** First two weeks of July, 2019 (01 to 12 July)

**Location:** Inter-University Center, Dubrovnik, Croatia

**Organiser:** Geoffrey Nice Foundation, The Hague, NL

**Partners:** Transitional Justice Working Group (TJWG); Justice for Iran; Inter-University Centre for Post-Graduate Studies

**Course directors:**

Sir Geoffrey Nice QC, Inner Temple, UK

Dr Nevenka Tromp, University of Amsterdam, NL

Sarah Son, TJWG, South-Korea

**Summary-**

Since 2014 the Geoffrey Nice Foundation has held annual master classes at the Inter-University Centre in Dubrovnik in Croatia on mass atrocities and various aspects of international law. The 2019 Master Class will focus first on the critical role that mapping atrocities and their subsequent investigation has in bringing war criminals to trial and then on the prosecution of the gravest of the world's crimes:

1. **Mapping** of human rights abuses and mass atrocities – this topic will explore the use of geospatial mapping in documentation, advocacy and international criminal justice. The case studies will include mapping projects on the grave human rights abuses in Iran, North Korea, Syria and Myanmar.
2. **Documenting** human rights abuses of mass atrocities before, during and after the conflict. Can NGOs and international organisations compel governments and international criminal courts to act based on overwhelming evidence of crimes being documented by independent and impartial research groups? The seven case studies are listed below.
3. **Prosecuting** mass atrocities and grave human rights abuses as war crimes has been happening in recent times but only since creation in 1993 of the two '*Ad Hoc Tribunals*' for Rwanda and the Former Yugoslavia. Despite the existence of a permanent international criminal court (ICC) since 2002, the number of prosecutions lags way behind the realities on the ground of international crimes that really need to be investigated and prosecuted. Do exercises of mapping and documenting mass atrocities succeed in getting indictments laid and prosecutions brought at international criminal courts of individuals responsible for the commission of crimes? Do criminal trials become valuable documentation centres for those who seek for different sorts of justice from what retributive justice can offer. The case studies include the analysis of the International Criminal Court for Former Yugoslavia (ICTY) and the Extraordinary Chambers on the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC).

**CASE STUDIES:**

1. Cambodia
2. ex-Yugoslavia
3. Iran
4. North Korea

5. Myanmar
6. Vietnam
7. Syria

**Faculty:**

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1. Nevenka Tromp, University of Amsterdam, NL
2. Sir Geoffrey Nice, QC Inner Temple Inn, UK
3. Sarah Son – TJWG, South Korea
4. Youk Chhang - Documentation Center for Cambodia, Cambodia
5. Remco Breuker, University of Leiden, NL
6. Kyaw Win, Myanmar
7. Sir Nick Parker, UK
8. Hamid Sabi, UK
9. Andrew Cayley, UK's Director of Service Prosecutions, UK
10. Sonja Biserko, Helsinki Committee for Human Rights of Serbia, Serbia
11. Aarif Abraham, International Criminal Lawyer, Manchester, UK
12. Sunčana Roksandić, University of Zagreb, Croatia
13. Kaylee Uland - The 88 Project Vietnam, USA
14. Shadi Sadr, Justice for Iran, UK
15. Shadi Amin, Justice for Iran, UK
16. Benedict Rogers, Christian Solidarity, UK
17. Regina Paulose, Lawyer and Human Rights Advocate, USA
18. Arthur Green, University of British Columbia, Canada
19. Robert Muharremi, American University, Kosovo
20. Edin Hadžihafizbegović, Sarajevo, BiH
21. Matthew Vennemeyer, Canada

**SKYPE LECTURE**

22. Catherine Marchi-Uhle, UN/France

**GUESTS:** 24. Sarah Clarke (UK), 25. Aileen Calverley (Canada/UK)

**Participants:**

1. Elma Tahmaz, BiH
2. Lyndsey Jones, UK
3. Bionda Rexhepi, Kosovo
4. Wael Aleji, UK
5. Dan Bielefeld, South Korea
6. Yurim Choi, South Korea
7. Scott Stevens, South Korea
8. Matej Babič, Slovenia
9. Nikola Mokrović, Croatia
10. Lama Abu Samra, Hungary/Denmark

11. Ivana Godulova, Slovakia
12. Veronika Kuszova, Slovakia
13. Hrvoje Fištrek, Croatia
14. Lejla Terzimehić, BiH
15. Gaia Rietveld, Netherlands/Belgium
16. Iva Hyseni, Albania
17. Catherine Dunmore, Netherlands
18. Jack Barber, UK
19. Chloe Branton, UK
20. Adam Champion, UK
21. Julian Russel, UK
22. Aleksandra Stojanović, Serbia
23. Angel Matoke-Njagi, UK
24. Aaqib Javed, UK
25. Alex du Sautoy, UK
26. Melanie Waite, UK
27. Sven Dekleva, Croatia
28. Rehab Jaffer, UK
29. RW – full name to be redacted for the time being
30. RA – full name to be redacted for the time being
31. NH – full name to be redacted for the time being

## **PROGRAMME:**

### **Introduction**

- 09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction by Tromp&Nice “Why This Master Class and Why at the IUC in Dubrovnik”
- 10:00 – 10:15 – Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 – Sir Geoffrey&Nevenka Tromp “Evidence at International Criminal Trials”
- 11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break
- 11:30 – 12:30 – Discussion
- 12:30 – 13:30 – Sarah Son&Shadi Sadr “Mapping Mass Atrocities: Methodology, Technique and Objectives”
- 13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK – Group Discussions
- 16:00 – 19:00 – Practicum/Discussion

Tuesday, July 2

### **North Korea**

- 09:00 – 10:00 – Sarah Son “Introduction to North Korea Human Rights Abuses”
- 10:00 – 10:15 – Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 – Sonja Biserko “The UN Col and Documenting Human Rights Abuses in North Korea”
- 11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break
- 11:30 – 12:30 – Sarah Son “Mapping Human Rights Abuses in North Korea”
- 12:30 – 13:30 – Remco Breuker “In Search for Accountability Mechanisms”
- 13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK – Group discussions on North Korea
- 16:00 – 19:00 – Practicum: Preparations for the Avernia trial

Wednesday, July 3

### **Iran**

- 09:00 – 10:00 – Plenary Discussion on North Korea
- 10:00 – 10:15 – Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 – Hamid Sabi “Iran and Accountability 40 years after the Islamic Revolution: The Impact of the Iran Peoples’ Tribunal”
- 11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break
- 11:30 – 12:30 – Shadi Sadr “Mapping the Human Rights Abuses in Iran”
- 12:30 – 13:30 – Shadi Amin “Working in Field on a Hostile Territory: Mass Graves Landscape of Iran ”
- 13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK – Group Discussions on Iran
- 16:00 – 17:30 – Nick Parker “Multilateral Military Response to Mass Atrocities”
- 17:30-18:00 – Break
- 18:00-19:00 - Practicum

Thursday, July 4

## **Myanmar Casus**

09:00 – 10:00 – Plenary discussion on Iran

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:00 – Benedict Rogers “Myanmar and Human Rights Abuses”

11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Regina Paulosa “The Rohingya - A Journey through History and Genocide”

12:30 – 13:30 – Kyaw Win “Advocacy and Accountability for Human Rights in Myanmar”

13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK

16:00 – 19:00 – Practicum/Discussion

Friday, July 5

## **Vietnam**

09:00 – 10:00 – Plenary discussion on Myanmar

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:00 – Kaylee Uland, “Mapping the Repression Against Civil Society Activists in Vietnam”

11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Arthur Green (assisted by Matthew Vennemeyer) “Forensic Geography: The Spatial Science of Evidence”, part I

12:30 – 13:30 – Arthur Green (assisted by Matthew Vennemeyer) “Forensic Geography: The Spatial Science of Evidence”, part II

13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK

16:00 – 17:30 - Practicum

19:00 – 20:30 - BOOK LAUNCH – Nevenka Tromp “Smrt u Hagu: nezavršeno suđenje Slobodanu Miloševiću”

20:30 – 22:00 - RECEPTION

## **WEEKEND, July 6&7 : TWO DAYS TRAINING by TJWG**

Saturday, 06 July

10:00 -13:00 – Group presentations of the Avernia case

## **Afternoon Free**

Sunday, 07 July

Free

**16:00-18:00 – IUC Sightseeing Tour of Old City**

Monday, July 8

**Cambodia**

09:00 – 10:00 – Youk Chhang “Cambodia’s Killing Fields and Accountability”  
10:00 – 10:15 – Break  
10:15 – 11:00 – Youk Chhang “Preserving the Memory:  
11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break  
11:30 – 12:30 – Andrew Cayley “Legal Response to the Mass Atrocities in Cambodia: the ECCC (Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia)”  
12:30 – 13:30 – Andrew Cayley, “The Impact of the ECCC”  
13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK  
16:00 – 17:00 – Plenary discussion  
17:00 – 19:00 – Film Seminar “The Killing Fields”

Tuesday, July 9

**Syria/Former Yugoslavia**

09:00 – 10:00 – Plenary session on Cambodia  
10:00 – 10:15 – Break  
10:15 – 11:00 – Catherine Marchi-Uhel, “UN’s On-going Efforts to Investigate Mass Atrocities in Syria”  
11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break  
11:30 – 12:30 – Geoffrey Nice “Prosecuting Mass Atrocities at the International Criminal Tribunal for Former Yugoslavia/ICTY”  
  
12:30 – 13:30 – Nevenka Tromp “Transitional vs. Post-Transitional Narrative: ICTY and its Contribution to Legal, Political and Historical Justice”  
13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK –Group discussions on ICTY  
16:00 – 16:45 –Tromp&Nice “Transformative Power of the Art: dealing with the past through films”  
17:00 – 19:00 - Film Seminar “The Death in Sarajevo”

Wednesday, July 10

**Former Yugoslavia**

09:00 – 10:00 – Plenary discussion about ICTY  
10:00 – 10:15 – Break  
10:15 – 11:00 – Aarif Abraham “Mass Atrocity Crimes and the European Court of Human Rights: Prohibition, Prevention and Punishment”  
11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break  
11:30 – 12:30 – Sunčana Rokсандić “Post-Conflict Croatia: Peace, Security, Justice”  
12:30 – 13:30 – Nevenka Tromp “Post-Conflict BiH and the ICTY: Legal, Historical and Political Narratives”  
13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK  
16:00 – 16:45 – Tromp&Nice “Transformative Power of the Art: dealing with the past

through films”

17:00 – 19:00 - Film Seminar “The Frog”

Thursday, July 11

**Kosovo Specialist Chambers**

09:00 – 10:00 – Plenary discussion on post-conflict societies in post-Yugoslav states

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:00 – Robert Muharremi “Law and Politics of the Kosovo Specialist Chambers”

11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Robert Muharremi “From Organ Trafficking to the Kosovo Specialist Chambers - How Strategic Narratives Shape International Justice”

12:30 – 13:30 – Plenary Discussion

13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK

16:00 – 18:00 – “Film seminar “The Snow”

Friday, July 12

09:00 – 11:30 – Group Presentations

11:30 – 12:30 – Evaluation

**12:30 FAREWELL LUNCH**