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Speakers' biographies

Leeam Azoulay



Leeam Azoulay is currently a communications and advocacy consultant with Global Health Strategies in Nairobi. Prior to that, she was a policy and advocacy advisor for Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) in the Eastern Africa and Yemen regional office, focusing primarily on refugee policies and durable solutions. Before landing in Nairobi, she was policy lead for Oxfam in South Sudan and advocacy coordinator for NRC in the occupied Palestinian territories. In her humanitarian advocacy roles she has conducted policy analysis, research, writing and advocacy on access, civilian protection, displacement and human rights issues, and liaised with media colleagues. She has also worked for Human Rights Watch as Program Coordinator and then Senior Writer, contributing to research on violations of International Humanitarian Law in conflict, the precarious journey of East African asylum seekers from Egypt into Israel, and the treatment of West African migrants passing through Morocco en route to Europe. Her research interests include policy responses to people on the move – whether refugees, those internally displaced or economic migrants, and how social change happens. She has a bachelor's degree in history and human rights from Columbia University and a masters degree in Middle Eastern studies from the CUNY Graduate Center in New York.

Stephanie Barbour

Stephanie Barbour is an Irish lawyer with over a decade of experience in domestic, hybrid and international criminal justice efforts to deal with genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes in Rwanda, the Balkans, Nepal, Syria, Iraq, and the Central African Republic. She serves as the senior adviser and analyst on sexual and gender-based crimes at the Commission for International Justice and Accountability, where she is responsible for capacity-building, collection and analysis in relation to sexual offences. She leads the capacity-building and mentoring programme of CIJA's investigative cadre in Syria and Iraq, and delivers training and mentoring on CRSV investigations in CAR and Colombia. Prior to this, she served as Amnesty's International representative to the International Criminal Court and other international tribunals in The Hague. She has also worked on cases related to crimes against humanity, in particular enforced disappearances and sexual violence, in relation to the 1996 to 2006 conflict in Nepal, intercommunal violence in India in 2001 and the Rwandan genocide in 1994. She worked in Bosnia and Herzegovina for four years on enhancing national war crimes processing, publishing several reports with trial monitoring findings and contributing to the National War Crimes Prosecution Strategy. She contributed to the first and second editions of the *International Protocol on Documentation and Investigation of Sexual Violence in Conflict: Basic Standards of Best Practice*.

Théo Boutruche



Théo Boutruche has previously worked as an employee or as a consultant for various organizations in the field of IHL and human rights law, such as the International Commission of Jurists, Amnesty International, the ICTJ, the Norwegian Refugee Council, Freedom from Torture, Diakonia, REDRESS, Save the Children and the OHCHR. He has conducted legal research and fact-finding missions in conflict and post-conflict settings such as Palestine, Lebanon, Iraq, Georgia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, and Kenya. He was the IHL/Human Rights Expert of the Independent International Fact-Finding Mission on the Conflict in Georgia. He

holds a Ph.D. in international law and has taught international law at various universities, including at the University College London. His areas of expertise include in particular the law on conduct of hostilities and targeting, the law of occupation, and regulation of weapons in international law; fact-finding and investigative methodology; documenting sexual violence in war; transitional justice and international criminal law. He was a member of the Harvard Group of Professionals on Monitoring, Reporting and Fact-finding and contributed as an expert to the drafting of the International Protocol on the Documentation and Investigation of Sexual Violence in Conflict. He has extensive experience in training on transitional justice, fact-finding techniques and IHL issues.

Françoise Hampson



Françoise Hampson is Emeritus Professor of Law at the University of Essex, where she has taught since 1983. Before that, she taught at the University of Dundee. She was a member of the Steering Committee and Group of Experts for the ICRC's Study on Customary International Humanitarian Law. She regularly teaches on courses and workshops at the International Institute of Humanitarian Law, San Remo. She has taught at Staff Colleges or equivalent in the UK, US, Canada, Australia, and Ghana. From 1998-2007, she was the UK-nominated member of the UN Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights. She has frequently represented

applicants before the former European Commission and European Court of Human Rights, particularly in cases arising out of armed conflicts. For her work representing Turkish Kurds in the 1990s, she was awarded, with her colleague the late Professor Kevin Boyle, the title Human Rights Lawyer of the Year in 1998. More recently, she has submitted third party interventions, with her colleague Professor Noam Lubell, in the cases of *Hassan v. UK* and *Georgia v. Russia (No.2)*. Since December 2016, she has been one of three Commissioners on the UN Commission of Inquiry on Burundi.

Soledad Herrero



Soledad has thirteen years of experience in the humanitarian and protection field and has worked in eight countries across Africa, Latin America, and in UNICEF Headquarters in New York. Soledad has worked most of her career in UNICEF but has also had professional stints at UNHCR, with civil society organizations, and with research institutions. She has vast experience in the area of child protection (including child demobilization programmes and Security-led Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism), legal reforms, refugee policies, and humanitarian coordination.

Soledad Herrero holds an LLM in Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law from University of London (UK), a Master in Public Policy and Conflict Management from the Johns Hopkins University School for Advanced International Relations (SAIS, USA), and a Juris Doctorate and a Business Administration degree from University of Comillas, ICADE (Spain). Soledad has published a number of articles on the humanitarian and human rights' field, including with PHAP.

Hillary Kiboro



Hillary Muchiri Kiboro is an advocate of the High Court of Kenya, a member of the Kenyan Bar and a legal officer at the International Committee of the Red Cross for more than 6 years. Mr. Kiboro graduated from the University of Nairobi in 2008, with a Bachelor's degree in law. Thereafter, he joined the Kenya School of Law for a post graduate diploma in law after which he proceeded to private legal practice in before joining the ICRC in 2011 where he has been working up to the present day. In 2017, he completed his Masters studies in Public International Law at the University of Nairobi and is awaiting graduation.

Mr. Kiboro has undergone extensive training in the field of public international law, particularly international humanitarian law, human rights law and international criminal law. In 2008, he completed a course in international criminal law at the International Law Institute in Kampala, Uganda. In 2009, he completed a course on human rights based approaches to development at the National University of Ireland in Maynooth, Ireland. In the same year he attended, an in-house research programme at the Max Planck Institute for International and Foreign Criminal Law in Freiburg, Germany. In September 2014, he completed an advanced course in the Law of Armed Conflict at the International Institute of International Humanitarian Law, San Remo, Italy.

Sarah King



Sarah has worked in the humanitarian sector since 1999 with a range of organisations including NRC, Concern Worldwide, Christian Aid, CARE and UNICEF. She spent 6.5 years in Sudan (Darfur and the South), 5 years in/on Somalia and has also worked in Kenya, Ethiopia and Nicaragua in addition to a global roving support role covering Southern Africa, the Philippines, Iran and Central America. For the past 2.5 years Sarah has been the Regional Adviser for livelihoods and food security in East Africa and Yemen, with the Norwegian Refugee Council.

Carla Ruta



Carla Ruta is a consultant in international human rights and humanitarian law. Until 2018, Carla Ruta worked as Thematic Legal Adviser at Geneva Call on issues related to sexual violence and gender discrimination, landmines and explosive weapons, and protection of displaced persons. Prior to that, she was Colombia Programme Manager at Geneva Call. She holds a Master in law in International Humanitarian Law from the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights and a Master Degree in International Relations from the Geneva Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies. For more than 7 years she

worked as a delegate of the International Committee of the Red Cross in several countries such as Colombia, the Gaza Strip or Sudan. She held various positions, among others head of Sub-Delegation and Deputy Protection Coordinator. Before joining Geneva Call, she worked with the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs as a Desk Officer in the Human Security Division and later as a Legal Advisor in the Directorate of International Law.

David Tuck



David has a Bachelor of Laws (Hons.) and Bachelor of Asian Studies (specialist in Hindi) from the Australian National University. He has a Master of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights from the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights. Since 2006, David has worked with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). Since 2011, he has been a Legal Adviser to the ICRC's Operations in Afghanistan, Pakistan and for the Middle East. From December 2018, David is the ICRC's Regional Legal Adviser for East Africa based in Nairobi, Kenya.

Aneeta Williams



Aneeta is a former lawyer turned international development and humanitarian practitioner. Her specialisms include International Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, Gender and SGBV, Safeguarding and Protection, Access to Justice for Victims and Juveniles; Accountability, Policy and Advocacy.

Over 15 years, she has advised, supported and trained INGOs, networks and faith-based organisations across the globe to develop robust safeguarding policies, procedures, monitoring tools and investigation guidelines based on international standards and good practice. Over the years she has worked with UNICEF, The

Children's Society, Surrey Children's Services, Tearfund, Erikshjalpen, Plan International, World Vision UK, Progressio, Mothers Union and War Child UK among others.

She is an accredited Preventing Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) Investigator under the Core Humanitarian Standard Alliance and has undertaken several investigations. She is a founding Board member of the Keeping Children Safe Coalition and supported the development and implementation of international standards and resources on child safeguarding. As Preventing Sexual Violence Initiative (PSVI) Expert, Aneeta has worked on the documentation and investigation of sexual violence of the refugee crisis in the Middle East and East Africa.

She has written several articles, conference papers, resources, policies and publications on safeguarding and protection of children and vulnerable groups and is a regular invited speaker at law schools and at events.