

# Conference Invitation

28 & 29 Jan

T.M.C Asser Instituut  
The Hague

## Speakers:

- **Phil Clark**, *Oxford University*
- **Morten Bergsmo**, *Peace Research Institute Oslo*
- **Michael Bohlander**, *Durham School of Law*
- **Kirsten Campbell**, *Goldsmiths College, University of London*
- **Mohamed Elewa Badar**, *Brunel Law School*
- **Sarah Nouwen**, *Lauterpacht Centre for International Law Cambridge*
- **Gerhard Anders**, *University of Zurich*
- **Nancy Combs**, *William and Mary School of Law*
- **Göran Sluiter**, *University of Amsterdam*
- **Markus Dubber**, *University of Toronto*
- **Harmen van der Wilt**, *University of Amsterdam*
- **Larissa van den Herik**, *Leiden University*
- **Judge Howard Morrison**, *ICTY*
- **Guénaél Mettraux**, *Defence Counsel ICTY*
- **Rod Rastan**, *Legal Advisor OTP, ICC*



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## *Common Civility: Criminal Law as a Cultural Hybrid*

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This conference will explore the background and consequences of the civil-common law conflict, disclose how it affects the daily functioning of international tribunals, which tensions arise from the combination of features from the different legal systems and discuss how they might best be resolved.

The object of the conference on Common Civility is to contribute to further development of ICL by the exchange of thoughts between legal scholars, practitioners and social scientists.

Conference fee: € 95,- \*

Registration: please send an e-mail to [conferencemanager@asser.nl](mailto:conferencemanager@asser.nl), subject line *Common Civility Conference*

\* The fee includes administration to the conference, receptions, lunches and refreshments as well as conference documents

### Conference Organizers:

*T.M.C. Asser Instituut, Amsterdam Centre of Inter-disciplinary Research on International Crimes (ACIC) at VU University and the Institut für Kriminalwissenschaften of Göttingen University, financial support is also provided by the Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie voor Wetenschappen (KNAW)*



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# Conference Programme Day 1 Friday 28 January 2011

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## Conference “*Common Civility: Criminal Law as a Cultural Hybrid*” Day 1

- 10.00 h. Registration and coffee
- 10.30 h. Welcome and opening
- 10.40h Introductory remarks  
- *Elies van Sliedregt*, VU University Amsterdam  
- *Kai Ambos*, Göttingen University
- 11.00 h. General Introduction  
- *Phil Clarke*, Oxford University, “Law, anthropology and international criminal justice”  
- *Morten Bergsmo*, Peace Research Institute Oslo, “Legal culture and the development of international criminal justice”  
- *Michael Bohlander*, Durham School of Law, “Linguistic-epistemological facets of the Common Law-Civil Law debate”
- 12.30 h. Lunch break
- 14.00 h. Panel 1: Cross-Cultural Misunderstandings  
- *Kirsten Campbell*, Goldsmiths College, University of London, “Culture and the legal regulation of armed conflict”  
- *Mohamed Elewa Badar*, Brunel Law School, “An Islamic Perspective on International Criminal Law”  
- *Sarah Nouwen*, Lauterpacht Centre for International Law Cambridge, “Culture and Complementarity: Africa and the ICC” (t.b.c.)
- 15.30 h. Tea & Coffee break
- 16.00h Panel 2: International Criminal Procedure  
- *Gerhard Anders*, University of Zurich, “Testifying about uncivilized events: Notes on the representation of African culture in international war crimes trials”  
- *Nancy Combs*, William and Mary School of Law, “Fact-finding processes at the SCSL”  
- *Göran Sluiter*, University of Amsterdam, “The emergence of a *sui generis* international criminal procedure”
- 17.30 h. Drinks / Reception



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# Conference Programme Day 2 Saturday 29 January 2011

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## Conference “Common Civility: Criminal Law as a Cultural Hybrid” Day 2

- 9.00 h. Reception desk open and coffee
- 9.30 h. Panel 3: Substantive Criminal Law  
- *Markus Dubber*, University of Toronto, “Legal culture and the shaping of substantive international criminal law”  
- *Harmen van der Wilt*, University of Amsterdam, “Contribution of civil/common law to substantive law at the ICC”  
- *Larissa van den Herik*, Leiden University, “International Criminal Law and Human Rights Law: Lessons from ECHR jurisprudence”
- 11.00h Coffee Break
- 11.15h. Panel 4: Working in a Cross-Cultural Environment  
- *Judge Howard Morrison*, ICTY  
- *Guénaél Mettraux*, Defence Counsel ICTY  
- *Rod Rastan*, Legal Advisor OTP, ICC
- 12.30h. Closure

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