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Within the framework of the Conference Cycle on “Generating Respect for the Law”, the ICRC and the Asser Institute’s International Humanitarian and Criminal Law Platform will host a public event to discuss the concrete effects of international criminal law (ICL) on compliance with international humanitarian law (IHL). How did and does ICL contribute to fostering compliance with IHL? Taking into account the current state of international relations, the evolution of warfare and in light of evolving interpretations of IHL, what are the perspectives that can be drawn with respect to the role of ICL in enhancing compliance?

The event will also be the occasion to launch Vol. 17 of the Yearbook of International Humanitarian Law, “1914-2014: WWI Centenary, 100 Years of Warfare Evolution” and the new issue of the International Review of the Red Cross on “The Evolution of Warfare”.

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## THE ROLE OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW IN FOSTERING COMPLIANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW PAST AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVES

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## Introduction



### Christophe Paulussen

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### Vincent Bernard

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Vincent Bernard became Editor-in-Chief of the International Review of the Red Cross in October 2010. A graduate of Strasbourg's Political Sciences Institute, he holds a Masters degree in political sciences, an LL.M. in international law (Law faculty in Strasbourg and King's College London) and a D.E.S. in international relations from the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva. He has worked for the ICRC for 17 years both in the field and at headquarters. In 2013, Vincent Bernard was appointed as Head of the ICRC Law and Policy Forum, which runs ICRC's engagement with academia, legal and policy training and the Humanitarianism, the ICRC's Conference and Visitors center.



### Terry Gill

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## Moderator



### Margherita D'Ascanio

LAW AND POLICY ADVISOR, ICRC

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## Panelists



### Guido Acquaviva

DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF THE KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS

Dr. Guido Acquaviva is Deputy Registrar of the Kosovo Specialist Chambers. Prior to that, he worked as a Senior Legal Officer at the Special Tribunal for Lebanon and as a Legal Officer at the ICTY. Dr. Acquaviva has lectured at the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, at the LL.M. in International Crime and Justice at UNICRI, University of Turin, and at the University of Milan – Bicocca, and has published extensively on public international law and international criminal law.



### Stéphane Bourgon

INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL DEFENCE ATTORNEY, ICTY, ICTR, STL, ICC

Stéphane Bourgon is a Canadian Military College graduate who served in the Canadian Armed Forces, initially as a logistics officer and then as Legal Advisor (JAG) for more than 20 years. He specialized in both criminal law and international humanitarian law. Over the past 10 years, he has represented several high-ranking clients. He has also written and/or reviewed 18 publications in the fields of criminal and penal law, international criminal law, international humanitarian law and international human rights law.



### Robert Heinsch

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Dr. Robert Heinsch, LL.M. (London), is an Associate Professor of Public International Law at the Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies of Leiden University, and the Director of its regular LL.M. Programme in Public International Law. He is also the Director of the Kalshoven-Gieskes Forum on International Humanitarian Law at Leiden University and has been appointed as Rapporteur of the ILA study group on "The Conduct of Hostilities under International Humanitarian Law – Challenges from 21st Century Warfare". He has published various articles in the field of international criminal law and international humanitarian law.