



**PROGRAMME**

## **Short Course: Contemporary Developments from International Courts and Tribunals**

### **Monday 22 June 2026 – *Proceedings before the International Court of Justice (ICJ)***

- 09:00 – 09:15**     **Opening and introduction day 1 of the course**  
Dr Carl Lewis (Researcher, Asser Institute)
- 09:15 – 10:45**     **Training module 1: How the ICJ Arrives at a Decision**  
Dr Vahid Rezadoost (Associate Legal Officer, ICJ)
- 10:45 – 11:00**     *Coffee break*
- 11:00 – 12:30**     **Training module 2: On Erga Omnes (Partes)**  
Prof. Machiko Kanetake (Academic Director, Asser Institute)
- 12:30 – 13:30**     *Lunch*
- 13:30 – 15:00**     **Training module 3: Climate Litigation at the ICJ (Advisory Opinion)**  
Florentine Vos (Lawyer, Volterra Fietta)
- 15:00 – 15:15**     *Coffee and tea break*
- 15:15 – 16:30**     **Training module 4: Recent Developments in International Law before the ICJ: Implications for States and Policy**  
Dr Juliana Valle P. Guerra and Dr Rachel Lucas (Legal Officer and Law Clerk, ICJ)
- 16:30 – 16:45**     *Coffee and tea break*
- 16:45 – 17:30**     **Looking Ahead: Interactive discussion and participant reflection on the future of the ICJ**  
Dr Carl Lewis (Researcher, Asser Institute)

### **Tuesday 23 June 2026 – *International Criminal Justice***

- 09:15 – 09:30**     **Opening and introduction day 2 of the course**  
Dr Carl Lewis (Researcher, Asser Institute)
- 09:30 – 11:00**     **Training module 5: The International Criminal Court (ICC) its Core Crimes and Contemporary Challenges**  
Dr Marieke de Hoon (Associate Professor, University of Amsterdam)
- 11:00 – 11:15**     *Coffee and tea break*
- 11:15 – 12:45**     **Training module 6: Initiating investigations and prosecutions at the ICC: legal and policy considerations, and (public) practice**  
Matthew Cross (Appeals Counsel in the Office of the Prosecutor, ICC)
- 12:45 – 13:45**     *Lunch break*
- 13:45 – 15:00**     **Training module 7: The establishment of the Special Tribunal for the Crime of Aggression Against Ukraine**  
Dr Gabrielė Chlevickaitė (Senior Researcher, Asser Institute)
- 15:00 – 15:15**     *Coffee break*

**15:15 – 16:30**    **Looking ahead: Interactive discussion and participant reflection on the future of the ICC**  
*Dr Carl Lewis (Researcher, Asser Institute)*

**16:30 – 17:00**    **Written evaluation and certificates**

**17:00**              *Closing reception*

*\*Please note that this programme is subject to change*