51ÈME SESSION D’ÉTÉ
51ST SUMMER SCHOOL

MODULE / UNIT 1
29 juin/June - 10 juillet/July 2020
Droit international des droits de l’homme
International Human Rights Law

MODULE / UNIT 2
13 - 24 juillet / July 2020
Droit international pénal et humanitaire
International Criminal and Humanitarian Law

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REGISTRATION AND VALIDATION PROCESS

Online registration only: www.iidh.org

Access to the secure registration form requires to open an online account. The process indicated on the Foundation’s website should be read. Any incomplete file will not be taken under consideration.

ATTENTION: THE CHOICE OF YOUR UNIT IS DEFINITIVE AND CANNOT BE CHANGED

Supporting documents to attach:
Curriculum vitae and photography
Copy of the highest diploma university

Registration deadline (Financial assistance request): 6 April 2020
Registration deadline: 15 May 2020

All students who want to register as individuals to the Summer School will receive a 50% reduction of their registration fees.

The summer school provides advanced courses in international and comparative human rights law, international criminal and international humanitarian law taught by specialists from various parts of the world.

It is intended in particular for:

- Students with an advanced level in law, political science and social science;
- Teachers, professors and researchers;
- Members of the legal professions and any other occupations related to human rights;
- National and international civil servants;
- Members of non-governmental organizations.

The 51st summer school is organized with the support of:

- Ecole Régionale des Avocats du Grand Est (ERAGE)
- European Court of Human Rights
- Permanent Representations of Denmark and Luxembourg to the Council of Europe
- City of Strasbourg
- Region Grand Est
- Banque populaire Alsace Lorraine Champagne
- Hermes International
- Strasbourg Bar
- Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND MODALITY

Admission of applicants is decided through review of their applications by a Selection Committee under the Foundation Director’s authority.

Eligible applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Applicants must be enrolled in post-secondary institution (without any condition about educational level) or must have graduated from a post-secondary institution
- by exceptionally possess any person which have a sound experience in the field of human rights, gained in governmental entities, intergovernmental or non-governmental organizations or possess similar experience.

Working languages: French and English. No simultaneous translation is provided.

After examination of the applications, pre-admitted participants will be informed by email only. Invoice will be attached. Final registration will only be valid upon receipt of the payment of the invoice on the Foundation bank account. A final nominated letter of admission will be sent by email to the participants.

REGISTRATION FEES – non refundable

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Unit 1: International Human Rights Law from 29 June to 10 July, 2020

- Individual cost: 750 euros
- Individual student cost: 375 euros
- Institutional cost: 900 euros
- Continuing training for french lawyers cost: 1000 euros

Unit 2: International Criminal Law and Humanitarian Law from 13 July to 24 July, 2020

- Individual cost: 750 euros
- Individual student cost: 375 euros
- Institutional cost: 900 euros
- Continuing training for french lawyers cost: 1000 euros

Unit 3: International Human Rights Law & International Criminal and Humanitarian Law from 29 June to 24 July, 2020

- Individual cost: 1200 euros
- Individual student cost: 600 euros
- Institutional cost: 1400 euros
- Continuing training for french lawyers cost: 1600 euros
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - Deadline request : 6 April 2020

On an exceptional basis, financial assistance may be granted in order to cover partial registration fees. Any financial assistance request should imperatively include the supporting document (resume, copy of the diplomas, internships certificates…), a motivation letter and two letters of recommendation.

Review of financial assistance request shall be carried out by the Director of the Foundation and the Director of Studies. Reply to financial assistance requests will be delivered by email. No appeal is allowed.

No additional financial assistance may be granted once the committee has reached its decision. Because of a very limited number of scholarships which can be granted by the Foundation, attendees are strongly advised to get in touch with governmental and/or non-governmental agencies, international organizations, academic institutions, foundations and other entities that might grant them financial support.

ACCOMMODATION

Optional accommodation, single room with private bathroom (limited seat) in a university residence is proposed to participants who have requested it online.

Accommodation Fees—non refundable:
- University Residence Paul Appell (basic offerings): 500 euros (monthly cost) - 350 euros (fortnight cost)
- University Residence Gallia (higher offerings): 600 euros (monthly cost) - 400 euros (fortnight cost)

Dates of housing:
- Friday 26 June to Friday 10 July 2020 (fortnight cost)
- Friday 10 July to Friday 24 July 2020 (fortnight cost)
- Friday 26 June to Sunday 26 July 2020 (monthly cost)

All booked rooms should be fully paid and are non-refundable regardless of the reason. In case of absence or non occupancy, no amount paid for accommodation will be refunded.

Participants are free to make alternative housing arrangements.

The Foundation is not responsible for any difficulties arising from accommodation conditions. The responsibility lies with the university residence director.

Instructions: Noise must stop at 10:00 pm. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed. Participants who fail to respect the residence’s rules will be asked to leave immediately. Watch out for your valuables. The Foundation and the Residence decline all responsibility for stolen property. Each participant will receive a special security key. The sum of 100€ will be requested for each lost key. Any damage will be charged to the participant responsible. Before departure, make sure your room is clean and remember to return your key to the reception desk.

PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION FEES—NON REFUNDABLE

Payment must be made upon receipt of your invoice which will be sent to you by electronic mail only. In the event of non-payment of the invoice at the due date indicated, registration will be ex officio cancelled.

The payment should be made only by credit card online on the secure site of the Foundation or by bank transfer indicating with reference the name of the participant admitted - the bank fees are the responsibility of the participant. No other payment method is accepted.

Bank reference:
Fondation René Cassin – Institut international des droits de l’homme
IBAN: FR76 - 3000-3023-6000-0501-1873-748
BIC: SOGEFRPP

In case of absence, incapacity or non visa issuance, no amount paid will be refunded.
UNIT 1 - 29 June to 10 July 2020—International Human Rights Law

Fondamental Courses (french and english)
- The human rights protection system of the United Nations and of its specialized agencies (10 hours)
- The european human rights Protection System (10 hours)
- The inter-american human rights Protection System (8 hours)
- The african human rights Protection System (8 hours)

Special Courses (french and english)
- The Arab Charter on Human Rights (6 hours)
- The Human Rights Protection in Asia (6 hours)

Special Conferences
- Protection of human rights in the case law of the International Court of Justice (2 hours, english)
- La Convention contre la torture (2 hours, french)

UNIT 2 – 13 July to 24 July 2020—International Criminal and Humanitarian Law

1st week: International Criminal Law (french and english)
- Sources of International Criminal Law (4 hours)
- International crimes (4 hours)
- International criminal jurisdictions (4 hours)
- Forms of international criminal responsibility (4 hours)
- International cooperation in matters of criminal justice (4 hours)
- International criminal procedure and protection of human rights (4 hours)
- Victims representation (4 hours)
- National Judge and International Criminal Law (4 hours)

2nd week: International Humanitarian Law (french and english) - subject to modification
- General introduction to international humanitarian law (3 hours)
- Documentary tools (1 hour)
- Implementation of international humanitarian law. Responsibility for violations of IHL Sanctions (2 hours)
- ICRC (mandate, mission, activities) and other humanitarian actors. Humanitarian principles. International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement (2 hours)
- Scope of application of international humanitarian law. Classification of situations (international and non-international armed conflicts) and other situations of violence. Relations terrorism / IHL (4 hours)
- Core international humanitarian law principles. The conduct of hostilities (3 hours)
- Means and methods of warfare / new technologies
- Protection of the civilian population and objects. Focus on: sexual violence, protection of children, health care in danger, protection of cultural property, protection of environment (3 hours)
- Direct participation in hostilities (2 jours)
- Protection of detainees (IAC and NIAC) and contemporary issues (2 hours)
- Contemporary challenges to international humanitarian law (2 hours)

UNIT 3 – 29 June to 24 July 2020—International Human Rights Law & International Criminal and Humanitarian Law
Courses location: Ecole Régionale des Avocats du Grand Est (ERAGE)

Administrative enrolment for all participants on Saturday 27 June 2020 (Unit 1 & 3) or Saturday 11 July 2020 (Unit 2) at René Cassin Foundation.

Participants are expected to attend all courses throughout all the Session and observe the scheduled timetables which will be given during the administrative enrolment.

A Director of Studies is in charge of the smooth functioning of the summer school and acts as liaison between the participants and the Foundation.

In case of delay or absence, the latter are invited to present a justification to the Director of the Foundation. In case of unjustified absence, the concerned participant will no longer have the possibility to be candidate for two years to the teaching activities proposed by the Foundation.
DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL LAW AND COMPARATIVE LAW OF HUMAN RIGHTS

On registration and criteria according to the academic file.
Mandatory Preparatory seminars from 30 June to 3 July 2020.
Registration Fees: 100 euros (payable locally, non refundable)

An information meeting will take place on Saturday 27 June 2020 at noon (René Cassin Foundation)

Regulations of the diploma

ARTICLE 1
The Diploma is open to participants of the session who already have extensive knowledge of International and Comparative Human Rights Law.

The Diploma exam is open only to those already possessing a postgraduate degree or equivalent (Master’s or higher). The Foundation’s Diploma is distinct from the session’s final test which is designed to test general knowledge acquired during the Session.

ARTICLE 2
Participants meeting the requirements outlined in Article 1 and who demonstrate a special competence in the area of human rights through their scientific works or professional experience may be registered to participate in the Diploma exam. Permission to sit for the diploma exams is granted by the Foundation’s competent commission.

ARTICLE 3
Only candidates who have been selected by the Foundation’s competent commission will be allowed to sit for the Diploma examinations.

ARTICLE 4
Examinations take place from 6 to 10 July 2020 in Strasbourg on the dates indicated on the session’s schedule, in French or English, as chosen by the candidate.

ARTICLE 5
The examination consists of:
1 – A test of pre-admissibility:
Consisting of a 5 hour written exam. Candidates will be given a choice between two subjects pertaining to international and comparative human rights law. A minimum grade of 12/20 is required in order to participate in the test of admissibility (Candidates having earned the grade of 10/20 on the written exam will automatically receive the Certificate of achievement.
2 – A test of admissibility:
Consisting of a practical exercise pertaining to a casus relative to one or/and the other of the universal or regional systems of human rights protection (the United Nations Human Rights Committee, the Inter American Court of Human Rights, the European Court of Human Rights, the African Commission of Human and Peoples Rights).
Each candidate must prepare an argumentation and defend it orally 24 hours after drawing his subject. A minimum grade of 12/20 is required in order to participate in the final oral exam.
3 – A final oral exam:
Consisting of a presentation in the form of an exposé/discussion (2 hours of preparation without any documentation) on a subject pertaining to international human rights protection. Candidates must have a minimum grade of 12/20 to be admitted to the final exam.

ARTICLE 6
The Jury for the pre-admissibility is composed of a minimum of four members. The Jury for the admissibility exam is composed of a minimum of two members. The Jury for the final admissions exam is composed of a minimum of three members.
ARTICLE 7
1- The admissions Jury may, in exceptional cases, award the mention "CUM LAUDE"
2- Should the candidate be on the borderline of the average required, the Jury may grant him the possibility to receive the Diploma by preparing a memoir on a subject chosen by the Jury and following the terms and conditions set by the Jury. This memoir must be addressed to the Foundation at the latest by March 31 of the following year. The Diploma will be delivered subject to the Jury’s appreciation of the memoir.

ARTICLE 8
The Jury’s decisions are not subject to appeal.

ARTICLE 9
Candidates selected to take the diploma exams as well as participants wishing to attend the diploma preparation seminars must pay the diploma registration fees.

Registration fees for the diploma preparation are non-refundable.

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

A Certificate of achievement will be delivered to the participants who have successfully passed a mandatory knowledge test of twenty multiple-choice questions. Certificate of attendance will be given to the participants who will failed on this test.

VARIOUS

Travel fees are on the charge of the participants.

Visa
We draw attention to the conditions for obtaining a short stay Schengen visa according to the consular authorities. You should verify your eligibility before payment of your invoice. Processing times can take at least two months. We advise you to submit your application for visa as soon as you receive by email your official letter of admission, which acts also as a certificate of accommodation depending of the case.

The Foundation does not guarantee visa issuance.

Catering
Catering fees are on the charge of the participants.
It is possible to have meals (lunch/dinner) at the university cafeteria (8 euros/meal).

Health insurance
It is advisable to subscribe a valid health insurance. The Foundation cannot, in any case, bear your health/hospital related expenses.

Behavior of the participants
Participants must respect the fundamental rules which apply to any academic institution.

Sanctions, including exclusion from the session, may be taken in case of inappropriate behavior such as: impose on a person remarks or conduct, particularly sexual, which are either prejudicial to his or her dignity by reason of their degrading or humiliating character, or create an intimidating, hostile or offensive situation against him or her; statements or behavior intended to provide funds, securities or any other property.

Any participant who is a victim or witness of such behavior is invited to immediately inform the organizers of the session.

The Foundation cannot be held liable for any initiative or activity which does not form part of the session’s curriculum.
"There will be no peace on this planet as long as human rights are violated somewhere in the world"

René Cassin, 1968