

4th Biannual RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT IN THEORY AND PRACTICE Conference

**May 9-10, 2019
CONFERENCE PROGRAM***

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Thursday, May 9, 2019

9:00 – 9:30	Registration
9:30 – 9:45	Welcome note by State Secretary Simona Leskovar, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia (TBC)
9:45 – 10:30	Lecture by the Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect, Dr. Karen Smith
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break and taking of a group photo
11:00 - 11:30	From Inception to Realization of R2P – lecture by H.E. Ambassador Roman Kirn, facilitator of “R2P paragraphs” in the World Summit Outcome document
11:30 – 13:00	Panel 1: R2P and Challenges of its Implementation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One Crisis, Multiple Norms: Analyzing norm interaction through the case of MINUSMA (Blake Lawrinson) ▪ European civil society’s R2P (Kate Ferguson) ▪ R2P and the UK national debate (Andrea Betti) ▪ German perspective on intervening in Syria under R2P (Stefan Lorenzmeier)
13:00 – 14:30	Buffet Lunch
14:30 – 16:00	Panel 2: Experience and Prospect for R2P Focal Points in Europe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ European Union Responsibility to Protect Focal Point (Christian Behrmann) ▪ The Danish R2P Focal Point: Lessons Learnt from Atrocity Prevention in Practice (Martin Mennecke) ▪ The Slovenian R2P Focal Point: Slovenian Experience in R2P Awareness Raising (Blanka Jamnišek)
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break and poster presentations

16:30 – 18:00	Panel 3: R2P, the Security Council and the protection of civilians	Panel 4: Historical and Political Underpinnings of R2P
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Responsibilities and Obligations: Understanding the Legal Consequences of the UN Security Council's failure to uphold its Responsibility to Protect (Patrick Butchard) ▪ The Establishment of Safe Zones under International Law (Brid Ni Ghrainne) ▪ Judicialization of High States Politics, Sovereignty and R2P – The Last Man Standing? (Birth Thykier Moller) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Preserving the Holocaust record: Lessons Evaluation in View of Social Memory Studies (Irena Šumi) ▪ Inconsistency of International Response to Libya and Syria? Pragmatic Revisionism and the Responsibility to Protect (Šarka Kolmašova) ▪ The Cracked Pillar: Libya, Syria and the 'Responsibility to Protect' (Josephine Jackson)
20:00	Gala conference dinner with a keynote address by dr. Danilo Türk, former President of the Republic of Slovenia, Chairman of the Global High Level Panel on Water and Peace	

Friday, May 10, 2019

9:00 –10:30	Panel 5: R2P and International Criminal Law
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Continuing Relevance of R2P and the International Criminal Court as a Joint Ethical Project (Mia Swart) ▪ Preliminary outcomes of the project CORE (Centre for the Observation of the Rome Statute in the European Union) in the situation of Northern Iraq (Hannes Tretter and Andreas Sauer Moser) ▪ The special court for Sierra Leone: Did the voluntary funding mechanism and time frame impede the court from achieving its mandate? (Ishmail Pamsm-Conteh) ▪ The international criminal court's deterrent effect on crimes covered by R2P (Marina Žagar)
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break and poster presentations
11:00 - 12:30	Panel 6: R2P, Politics of States and International Organizations
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R2P and Responsibility while Protecting: Current Developments from an EU-Brazil Perspective (Jan Wouters and Francisca Costa Reis) ▪ R2P in Latin America: Are the principles of sovereignty and non-intervention really standing in the way of R2P's operationalization? (Ana Srovin) ▪ Responsibility to Protect: A comparative Analysis of whether it has Served its Original Purpose in the Last Decade (Namisi Siboe)

12:30 – 13:00	Coffee break
13:00 – 14:15	Panel 7: R2P and Contemporary Challenges
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R2P as a Legal Justification for Future Unilateral Action aimed at Protecting the Planet from Incoming Asteroids (Martin Svec) ▪ Preventing and protecting refugee children from trafficking: a paradigm shift under R2P principle? (Jasmina Dimitrijeva) ▪ International Disaster Response Law and R2P (Lucia Bodišova) ▪ Responsibility to protect in the event of natural disasters (Nuša Kucler)
14:15 – 14:30	Concluding remarks by Vasilka Sancin , Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana
15:30	Guided Walking Tour

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Poster presentation:

Indian approach to Responsibility to Protect in International Law: A path from being pessimistic to be optimistic
(Punsara Amarasinghe)

The Responsibility to Protect and the Refugee Crisis (Marina Aristova)

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