

Invitation

Virtual Training on Legal Tools: Learning International Criminal Law by Use of Digital Public Goods

30 September 2021
17:00-19:00 (KST/JST)

The International Criminal Court (the “Court” or “ICC”) has the pleasure to invite you to a virtual training on the topic of ‘Legal Tools: Learning International Criminal Law by Use of Digital Public Goods’, that will take place on 30 September 2021, at 17.00 hrs KST/JST (10:00 CET). The training is organized by the ICC, with the financial support of the European Commission. This event is endorsed by i) the Faculty and the Graduate School of Law, Doshisha University, Japan, ii) Ewha Womans University, School of Law, Republic of Korea, iii) the Graduate School of Law, Kyoto University, Japan, and iv) Seoul National University, School of Law, Republic of Korea.

The field of international criminal law (ICL) has been very dynamic since 1993, with hundreds of trials conducted before various international criminal tribunals. This has led to a significant increase in the number of ICL decisions and other legal sources. The negotiations on the Statute and Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the permanent ICC between 1996 and 2002 produced comprehensive preparatory works (almost 9,000 documents). The earlier work of the UN International Law Commission on the draft statute of the ICC and the 1996 Draft Code of Crimes against the Peace and Security of Mankind has also produced thousands of pages of ICL materials. Additionally, many States have adopted legislation to facilitate co-operation with the ICC and other international criminal tribunals, and incorporate international crimes into national criminal law. This has also led to a significant increase in domestic criminal prosecutions for core international crimes.

How should students orientate themselves in this wealth of legal sources, to quickly understand the main principles of international criminal law? Since 2006, the ICC has developed several digital public goods to facilitate learning of ICL and retrieval of ICL legal sources. Chiefly among these tools is the ICC Legal Tools Database (LTD) (<https://www.legal-tools.org/>), including the recently added Case Law Database (CLD).

The Centre for International Law Research and Policy (CILRAP) manages the LTD for the ICC. CILRAP has developed the related Lexsitus service based on the LTD.

During the training you will have the opportunity to meet CILRAP's Director Morten Bergsmo and his colleague Ilia Utmelidze, the chief IT expert behind the LTD and Lexsitus, Saurabh Sachan (the founder of Mithya Labs), and the lawyers Antonio Angotti and Devasheesh Bais (CILRAP Fellows), who will show you how to use the tools in your ICL studies. This training offers a unique opportunity to learn how to study ICL more effectively, and to understand how the ICC has pioneered the development of open access digital tools in partnership with leading international law and IT experts. The training will also explain how you can become involved in the work on these digital tools.

The training will be held in English and will be followed by a Q&A session. It will last approximately two hours. The session will be conducted on Zoom and can be accessed live from any personal computer.

To register for the event, kindly fill in the registration form by clicking on the following link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_L_JvJe5USAOn96EKY4cVRQ

no later than **Wednesday, 29 September 2021**. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

We look forward to seeing you on 30 September!



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