Sunday, 18 May 2014

09:00-09:30 Registration

09:30-09:45 Greetings and Opening Remarks

Chair: Prof. Barak Medina / Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Speakers: Dr. Anna Dolidze / University of Western Ontario

“Beyond the Binary of Exogenous and Endogenous Transitions: The International Governance of Transitional Justice in Georgia”

Prof. Paul Finkelman / Albany Law School; Visiting Professor, Louisiana State University

“Fighting the Slave Trade and Slavery: The World’s First Transitional Justice Movement”

Prof. Ruti Teitel / New York Law School; Visiting Fellow, London School of Economics; Affiliated Visiting Professor, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

“Global Civil Society and Transitional Justice”

12:00-13:45 Session II: An Early Case Study: Civil Society and the Or Commission

Chair: Prof. Michael Karayanni / Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Speakers: Adv. Sigal Horovitz / Rabbi Fellow, Truman Institute; Hebrew University of Jerusalem


Dr. Hala Khoury-Bisharat / Carmel Academic College

“The Difference Between the Or Commission and Truth and Reconciliation Commissions”

Prof. Yoav Peled / Department of Political Science, Tel-Aviv University

“The Or Commission and the Trajectory of Ethnic Democracy”

13:45-15:00 Recess

15:00-16:45 Session III: Lawyers and Civil Society

Chair: Dr. Yael Ronen / Shareen Mishpat Academic College; Minerva Center for Human Rights; Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Speakers: Prof. Kieran McEvoy / Faculty of Law, Queen’s University Belfast

“Lawyers, Conflict and Professionalism in Transition”

Dr. Louise Mallinder / Transitional Justice Institute; University of Ulster

“Lawyerizing in Non-Democratic States: Preliminary Reflections on Cambodia”

Respondents: Adv. Neta Patrick / Clinical Legal Education Center; Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Prof. Carrie Menkel-Meadow / Chancellor’s Professor of Law and Political Science, University of California Irvine

“Cultural Variations in Transitional and Restorative Justice: One Size Will Not Fit All”

Prof. Timothy Waters / Professor of Law, Center for Constitutional Democracy, Maurer School of Law, Indiana University

“Clearing the Path: The Perils of Positing Civil Society in Conflict and Transition”

17:15-19:15 Session IV: Civil Society, Transitional Justice and the Israel-Palestine Conflict

Chair: Adv. Danny Evron / Minerva Center for Human Rights; Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Speakers: Ms. Rimona Afana / Ph.D. Candidate, Transitional Justice Institute, University of Ulster

“Lifta – A Site of Hope?”

Prof. Daphna Golan / Hebrew University of Jerusalem

“How Israeli and Palestinian Civil Societies Promote Integration of Transitional Justice Methods in Peace Negotiations – Links between Informal and Formal Tracks (LJF)"

Adv. Hassan Jabareen / Founder and General Director, Adalah – The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel; Senior Fellow, Yale Law School; Ph.D. Candidate, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

“The Role of Palestinian Civil Society in Israel in Shaping Narratives and Claims for Reconciliation”

Adv. Einat Ronen / Ph.D. Candidate, Faculty of Law, Bar Ilan University

“Making the Sum More than its Parts: Prosecutions, the Rule of Law, and Civil Society”

Dr. Khanyisela Moyi / Transitional Justice Institute; University of Stellenbosch

“Civil Society and Transitional Justice: Lessons from Postcolonial Africa”

Ms. Leila Ulrich / Ph.D. Candidate in Criminology, ESRC Scholar, University of Oxford

“Impasse: International NGOs, Local Intermediaries and the Justice Politics of the International Criminal Court (IICC)”

Monday, 19 May 2014

09:00-10:45 Session V: Civil Society and the Rule of Law

Chair: Prof. David Kretzmer / Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Sapir College

Speakers: Ms. Julie Broome / Ph.D. Candidate, Politics, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London

“Making the Sum More than its Parts: Prosecutions, the Rule of Law, and Civil Society”

Mr. Michael Mertes / Director, Group Project for Holocaust Survivors and their Children, New York

“Listening to Victims and Traumatic Stories: A Multidisciplinary Challenge for Civil Society in its Search for Reparative Justice”

Dr. Cheryl Lawther / Queen’s University Belfast

“Victimhood, Politics and Civil Society: Northern Ireland as a Case Study”

Prof. Carrie Menkel-Meadow / Chancellor’s Professor of Law and Political Science, University of California Irvine

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11:15-13:15 Session VI: Challenges for Civil Society

Chair: Dr. Neil Kfir / Vidal Angil Postdoctoral Fellow, Minerva Center for Human Rights; Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Speakers: Dr. Yael Danil / Director, Group Project for Holocaust Survivors and their Children, New York

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13:15-14:30 Recess

14:30-15:00 Session VII: Upon the Publication of Ruti Teitel’s “Globalizing Transitional Justice”

Introduction: Adv. Sigal Horovitz / Rabbi Fellow, Truman Institute; Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Comments: Prof. Ruti Teitel / New York Law School; Visiting Fellow; London School of Economics; Affiliated Visiting Professor, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

15:15-16:45 Session VIII: The Experience of Israeli-Palestinian Civil Society – A Roundtable Discussion with Representatives of Organizations

Chair: Dr. Ron Duda / Buber Postdoctoral Fellow, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Participants: The Abraham Fund Initiative Combatants for Peace

The Parents Circle Families Forum

17:15-19:00 Session IX: Civil Society, Education and Dialogue

Chair: Prof. Tomer Broude / Vice-Dean, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Speakers: Prof. Elazar Barkan / School of International and Public Affairs and Director, Institute for the Study of Human Rights, Columbia University

“Beyond Accountability: Historical Dialogue and Conflict Resolution”

Dr. Maya Kahannov / Program on Conflict Research & Resolution and Truman Research Institute for Peace, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

“Dialogue and Empathic Understanding in Prolonged Social Conflicts”