



# **INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR**

# International Criminal Law, the International Criminal Court and the Perspective of the Portuguese-Speaking African Countries

Lisbon, 31 October and 1 November 2013

#### **Academic Coordination:**

Institute of Penal Law and Criminal Sciences of the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon & Department for Foreign and International Criminal Law, Institute of Criminal Law and Criminal Justice of the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen





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# Methodology/Justification

The International Seminar shall bring together relevant actors from Portuguese-Speaking African Countries (Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique and São Tomé & Príncipe),

Sub-Saharan Africa and the International Criminal Court (ICC) with the aim to inform about the ICC and to discuss the (possible) role and future of the ICC in the aforementioned countries. The methodology of the work consists of different panels starting with the general African perspective on the ICC and four more panels on different aspects of the work of the ICC linking these to Portuguese-Speaking African Countries. Each panel will have four to five speakers (among them one representative from Portuguese-Speaking African Countries) who should, as a rule, start with interventions of max. 20 min. first and then, with the help of an active moderator, discuss among themselves and later with the audience. Apart from these public presentations and discussions the event should facilitate the contact between the participants in more private meetings. This should be made possible by the usual coffee breaks and social meetings but also by two side events in form of workshops between the relevant African participants, ICC representatives and civil society. Languages will be English and Portuguese.

#### **PROGRAMME**

#### **THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER**

# 9h00m – Opening Session

Eduardo Vera-Cruz Pinto (Dean of the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon)

Fatou Bensouda (Chief Prosecutor ICC)<sup>1</sup>

Paula Teixeira da Cruz (Minister of Justice)

Maria Fernanda Palma (President of the IDPCC, Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon)

Thomas Stehling (KAS, Madrid)

Kai Ambos (Director Dept. of Foreign and International Criminal Law, Faculty of Law, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen; Judge Regional Court)

#### 9h45m – Keynote Speech

Cuno Tarfusser (Vice President of the ICC and Judge of the Pre Trial Division), *Africa and the ICC – General observations* 

#### 11h00m - First Panel - The Rome Statute of the ICC and Africa - Critical perspectives

Chairman: Andrea Ostheimer (KAS, Bruxelles)

#### **Speakers:**

- França Van-Dunem (Professor at the Faculty of Law of the Catholic University of Angola;
   Congressman)
- Luís Pereira Coutinho (Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon)
- Ottilia A. Maunganidze (Institute of Security Studies, Johannesburg)
- Zaida Fonseca Lima da Luz (Judge, Cape Verde)
- E. Kafft Kosta (Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon)

**Discussion** with audience

13h00m: Lunch Break

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> To be confirmed.

14h30m - Second Panel - Case and situation selection of the ICC - A special focus on

**Africa** 

**Chairman:** Kai Ambos (Professor at the University of Göttingen)

**Speakers:** 

Rod Rastan (Jurisdiction, Complementarity and Cooperation Division, Office of the

Prosecutor, ICC)

Bonita Meyersfeld (Witwatersrand, South Africa)

Sarah Nouwen (Lecturer in Law, University of Cambridge, Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre

for International Law and of Pembroke College, Cambridge, UK)

Paulino Lukamba (Professor at the Katyavala Bwila University, Angola)

**Discussion** with audience

#### 17h00m Coffee Break

# Internal workshop

# **FRIDAY 1 NOVEMBER**

#### 9h00m

Chairman: Augusto Silva Dias (Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon)

Speaker:

Nuno Pinheiro Torres (Director General of Defence Policy in Ministery of Defense,

Portugal), The Kampala Conference and the Crime of Aggression

9h45m - Third Panel - Investigation and Prosecution by the ICC

**Chairman:** Zaida Fonseca Lima da Luz (Judge, Cape Verde)

**Speakers:** 

Júlio César Martins Tavares (General Public Attorney of Cape Verde)

Cristina Ribeiro (Investigation Coordinator at the ICC Office of the Prosecutor)

Pedro Caeiro (Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra)

Godfrey Musila (Subsahara Africa expert study group on the ICC, Kenya)

Christian Garuka (Representative civil society, Rwanda)

#### **Discussion** with audience

# 11h30m – Fourth Panel – Defence, partie civile and victims at the ICC

Chairman: Ottilia A. Maunganidze (Institute of Security Studies, Johannesburg)

#### **Speakers:**

- Xavier Keita (Office of Public Counsel for the Defence, ICC)
- Didier Pereira (Deputy Registrar, ICC)
- Silvestre Alves (Lawyer, Guinea-Bissau)
- Wilfred Nderitu (Lawyer and activist, Kenya)

# 13h00m: Lunch Break

#### **Internal workshop**

# 15h00m - Fifth Panel - Adjudication at the ICC - Confirmation proceedings and trial, special focus on case law

- **Chairman:** Paulo de Sousa Mendes (Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon)

#### **Speakers:**

- Hermenegildo Gamito (President of the Constitutional Council of Mozambique)
- Natasha Naidoo (ICC Chambers)
- Ivo Rosa (Judge at the Criminal Court of Lisbon and representative for the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals – MICT)
- Helena Morão (Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon)

#### **Discussion** with audience

# 17h30m - Closing Remarks and Conclusions

Pedro Romano Martinez (President of the Scientific Council of the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon)

Rui Machete (Minister of State and Foreign Affairs)<sup>2</sup>

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