



Violence, War & Terrorism: Ethical, Legal & Political Perspectives

PROTECTING CIVILIANS DURING VIOLENT CONFLICT

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▪ Australian Centre for Military Law, ANU ▪ Humanities & Social Sciences, UNSW at ADFA ▪ Centre for Applied Philosophy & Public Ethics, ANU



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This two-day conference will look at the dilemmas facing regular combatants as they confront enemies in the modern battlespace, and especially the complications arising from the new styles of conflict where 'enemy' and civilian population merge.

It will examine:

- ◆ the fundamental ethical questions about civilian immunity
- ◆ whether new styles of conflict make these distinctions redundant
- ◆ whether precision weapons can target the enemy without harming civilians
- ◆ the stance that terrorists take towards their civilian victims (intended or otherwise)
- ◆ what is being done to make Australian soldiers more aware of their responsibilities in this area under international law and the ethics of war, and more able to respond appropriately to the challenges that will confront them in the field.

Speakers include:

- Mr Andrew Alexandra, Centre for Applied Philosophy & Public Ethics, University of Melbourne
Civilian Immunity and the Privatization of Warfare
- Dr Dean Cocking, University of New South Wales, ADFA
Collateral Damage
- Dr Stephen Coleman, University of New South Wales, ADFA
Discrimination and Non-Lethal Weapons; Issues for the Future Military
- Major General Stephen Day, Australian Army
Rules of Engagement: A Practitioner's View
- Dr Helen Durham, Australian Red Cross
title tbc
- Prof David Lovell, University of New South Wales, ADFA
Educating for Ethical Behaviour? Preparing the military for ethical challenges
- Prof William Maley, Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy, The Australian National University
Surviving in a War Zone: Dilemmas of Civilian Life in Afghanistan
- Prof Penelope Mathew, Freilich Foundation, The Australian National University
title tbc
- Captain Rob McLaughlin, Royal Australian Navy
Rules of Engagement from a Legal Officer's Perspective: Applied law
- Prof Richard O'Meara, Rutgers University
NGO's and the Responsibility to Protect: CIVIC, a Case Study of Civilian Compensation
- Prof Igor Primoratz, Centre for Applied Philosophy & Public Ethics, ANU & Charles Sturt University
Civilian Immunity, Supreme Emergency, and Moral Disaster
- Prof Richard D Rosen, Centre for Military Law & Policy, Texas Tech University
The Protection of Civilians During the Israeli-Hamas Conflict
- Prof Michael N Schmitt, University of Durham
Balancing Military Necessity and Humanity in International Humanitarian Law
- Dr David Whetham, University College London
Smart Weapons and Drive-by Wars: Implications for non-combatants

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- \$200 Early bird registration (by 30 July 2010)
- \$250 Registration (after 30 July 2010)
- \$150 1-day registration

FULL-TIME STUDENT RATES

- \$120 Full-time student registration
- \$80 F-t student 1-day registration

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