

**Forced Displacement, Protection Standards, and the Supervision of the *1951 Convention*  
and *1967 Protocol* and Other International Instruments**

**York University (Keele Street Campus), Toronto, Canada  
May 17–20, 2010**

**PROGRAMME**

**Monday, May 17, 2010, Venue: Conference Centre Lobby, Room 519, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, York  
Research Tower (YRT), York University**

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6:00pm - 8:00pm Welcome Reception, Conference Centre Lobby, 519 YRT

**Tuesday, May 18, 2010, Venue: Conference Centre, Room 519, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, York Research  
Tower, York University**

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8:30am - 9:00am Light Breakfast, Conference Centre Lobby, Room 519 YRT

9:00am - 9:30am **Official Conference Opening**  
**Welcome Addresses:** **Dr. Mamdouh Shoukri**, York University President  
and Vice-Chancellor (*via video*);  
**Dr. David Dewitt**, Associate Vice-President, Research and Innovation,  
Social Sciences and Humanities, York University;  
**Dr. Susan McGrath**, Director, Centre for Refugee Studies, York  
University.

**Conference Chairperson's Opening Remarks: Professor Guy S.  
Goodwin-Gill**, Senior Research Fellow, All Souls College, University of  
Oxford, United Kingdom

9:30am - 10:15am **UNHCR's Role in Supervising International Protection Standards in  
the Context of Forced Displacement**  
**Chair:** Conference Chairperson, **Professor Guy Goodwin-Gill**

**Keynote Speaker: Dr. Volker Türk**, Director, Division of International  
Protection, UNHCR, Geneva

10:15am - 10:45am Health Break

10:45am - 12:00pm **Judicial Experience in Supervising the 1951 Convention and its 1967 Protocol**

Chair: **Professor Jane McAdam**, Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales, Australia

Presenters:

- **Justice Professor Dr. Harald Dörig**, Federal Administrative Court of Germany, Leipzig, Honorary Professor of the Friedrich-Schiller University, Jena;
- **Justice Russel Zinn**, Federal Court (Canada);
- **Brian Goodman**, Chairperson, Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada;

12:00pm - 1:30pm Lunch, Room 524 YRT, Marshall Cohen Governance Boardroom

1:30pm - 2:45pm **Other Public International Law Supervisory Models: Possible Reforms, Proposals, and Ideas for Supervising Protection Standards in the Context of Forced Displacement**

Chair: **Chief Justice Allan Lutfy**, Federal Court (Canada)

Presenters:

- **Justice Tony North**, Federal Court of Australia; Immediate Past President of the IARLJ;
- **Professor Elspeth Guild**, Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands; Visiting Professor, London School of Economics; Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels;
- **Dr. Alice Edwards**, Departmental Lecturer in International Refugee and Human Rights Law, Refugee Studies Centre, University of Oxford

2:45pm - 3:45pm

**Breakout Sessions**

Facilitators:

- **Professor Kate Jastram**, Lecturer in Residence, Berkeley Law, University of California;
- **Professor Nergis Canefe**, School of Public Policy and Administration and Department of Political Science, Associate Director, Centre for Refugee Studies, York University; Adjunct Faculty Member, Faculty of Law, Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey;
- **Professor Geoff Gilbert**, School of Law, University of Essex, United Kingdom;
- **Professor Obiora Okafor**, Faculty of Law, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University

- 3:45pm - 4:15pm Health Break
- 4:15pm - 5:15pm **Plenary Session with the Facilitators from Each Breakout Group**  
**Chair: Geoffrey Care**, Chairman EurAsylum Ltd., Advisory Board and the Founding President of the IARLJ
- Breakout Session Facilitators: Professors Kate Jastram, Nergis Canefe, Obiora Okafor, Geoff Gilbert**
- 5:15pm - 5:30pm **Concluding Reflections for the Day**  
 Conference Chairperson, **Professor Guy S. Goodwin-Gill** and **Dr. Volker Türk**

**Wednesday, May 19, 2010 Venue: Conference Centre Lobby, Room 519, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, York Research Tower (YRT), York University**

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- 8:30am - 9:00am Light Breakfast, Conference Centre Lobby, Room 519 YRT
- 9:00am - 9:15am **Opening Remarks**  
 Conference Chairperson, **Professor Guy S. Goodwin-Gill**
- 9:15am - 10:15am ***Keynote Speaker: Justice Nicholas Blake***, President, Upper Tribunal, Immigration and Asylum Chamber, United Kingdom
- 10:15am - 10:45am Health Break
- 10:45am - 12:00pm **Effectiveness of Legal Instruments and Remedies in the Context of Forced Displacement (Global South)**  
**Chair: Judge President Bernard Ngoepe**, North Gauteng & South Gauteng High Courts, High Court of the Republic of South Africa, Pretoria

Presenters:

- **Justice Ana M. Calzada**, President, Constitutional Chamber, Supreme Court of Costa Rica, San Jose;
- **Justice Markandey Katju**, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi
- **Judge Nathan Charles Erasmus**, High Court of the Republic of South Africa, Western Cape Provisional Division, Cape Town

12:00pm - 1:30pm Lunch, Room 524 YRT, Marshall Cohen Governance Boardroom

1:30pm - 2:45pm **Effectiveness of Legal Instruments and Remedies in the Context of Forced Displacement (Global North)**

Chair: **Professor Michael Barutciski**, Glendon School of Public and International Affairs, York University

Presenters:

- **Professor Osamu Arakaki**, Department of Law, Shigakukan University, Kagoshima, Japan
- **Nico Mol**, Head of Division (Division 3.1), European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg, France
- **Nuala Mole**, Director, The AIRE (Advice on Individual Rights in Europe) Centre, London

2:45pm - 3:45pm

**Breakout Sessions**

- **Professor Jennifer Hyndman**, Centre for Refugee Studies, York University;
- **Professor Audrey Macklin**, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, Canada;
- **Professor Sasha Baglay**, Faculty of Criminology, Justice and Policy Studies, University of Ontario Institute of Technology, Canada;
- **Professor Sharryn Aiken**, Faculty of Law, Queen's University, Canada.

3:45pm - 4:15pm Health Break

4:15pm - 5:15pm

**Plenary Session with the Facilitators of Each Breakout Group**

Chair: **Professor Peter Showler**, Refugee Forum, Human Rights Research and Education Centre and the Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa, Canada

Breakout Session Facilitators: **Professors Jennifer Hyndman, Audrey Macklin, Sasha Baglay, Sharryn Aiken.**

5:15pm - 5:30pm      **Concluding Reflections for the Day**  
Conference Chairperson, **Professor Guy S. Goodwin-Gill** and **Dr. Volker Türk**

7:30pm - 9:00pm      **Dinner Buffet, Executive Dining Room, Schulich School of Business, (Drinks will be served at the cash bar from 7:00pm.)**

**Thursday, May 20, 2010 Venue: Conference Centre Lobby, Room 519, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, York Research Tower (YRT), York University**

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8:30am - 9:00am      Light Breakfast, Conference Centre Lobby, Room 519 YRT

9:00am - 9:15am      **Chairperson's Opening Remarks**  
Conference Chairperson, **Professor Guy S. Goodwin-Gill**

9:15am - 10:15am      ***Keynote Speaker: Professor Vitit Muntarbhorn***, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand; UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea).

10:15am - 10:45am      Health Break

10:45am - 12:00pm      **International Protection and Public Accountability: The Role of Civil Society**  
**Chair: Professor Howard Adelman**, Founding Director, Centre for Refugee Studies, York University

Presenters:

- **Manisha Thomas**, Policy Advisor, International Council of Voluntary Agencies, (ICVA), Geneva;
- **Janet Dench**, Executive Director, Canadian Council for Refugees, Montreal, Quebec;
- **Tom Clark**, author and formerly the National Coordinator of the Inter-Church Committee for Refugees (ICCR), linked with the Canadian Council of Churches;

- **Professor Sriprahapa Petchamsaree**, Mahidol University, Thailand; member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights

12:00pm - 12:30pm **International Conference Closing Remarks, and Ceremonies**  
Conference Chairperson, **Professor Guy S. Goodwin-Gill** and **Dr. Volker Türk**

**Dr. Susan McGrath**, Director, Centre for Refugee Studies, York University.

12:30pm - 2:00pm Lunch, Room 524 YRT, Marshall Cohen Governance Boardroom