**Session of The Hague**

25 – 31 August 2019

**Provisional agenda (version 3 – as of 15 August 2019)**

**Important, please read carefully the following preliminary remarks:**

**Opening ceremony on Monday 26 August:**

In view of the **presence of H.R.H. Princess Beatrix of The Netherlands** at the opening ceremony a **strict security policy** is applied. Please pay therefore due attention to the following:

* You will have **to be on the registration list to access the Peace Palace**. If you (and your partner/accompanying persons) have not done so yet, please fill in the final registration form [here](https://forms.gle/8pQ5Az91evyaKSP49).
* The **registration** at the security gate at the Peace Palace will **start at 07.30 until 08.15 am**. Please **make sure to arrive early** as the registration may take a considerable amount of time, especially because many people will have to register; make sure **to bring a valid identity card** (passport etc.) every day.
* **Only IDI members and invitees** are admitted to the **Great Hall of Justice**; **accompanying persons of members and staff** are seated in the **Auditorium** of the Academy Building. Please follow the instructions given by the hosts scrupulously. NOTE: the Great Hall of Justice will **no longer admit people after 08.45** so please ensure to be seated before this time. If members are late, they will have to go to the Auditorium as well.
* Please note that the press will be present throughout the opening ceremony. The footage and photographs that they take could be used in (online) publications and in social media. Please contact us if you have any concerns or if you wish to be exempted from this activity.

**Casting of your voting ballots for the first round of elections of new associates and honorary members:**

You can cast your voting ballots for the first round of voting only during **the following 2 occasions:**

* Sunday 25 August 2019 during **the Welcome Reception** in The Hague City Hall from 5 pm to 7 pm; or if you were not able to attend on Sunday the last possibility is to cast it on
* Monday 26 August 2019 during the **coffee break after the opening ceremony** from 10.30 am to 11.15 am.

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| **Sunday 25 August 2019** | **Event/meeting** | **Speaker(s)** | **Location** | **Important information** | **Partner Programme** |
| 09.30 – 11.00 | Staff meeting (Secrétaire-rédacteurs and secrétaires) |  | Hilton The Hague  Zeestraat 35 |  |  |
| 11.30 – 13.15 | Bureau meeting |  | Hilton The Hague  Zeestraat 35 |  |  |
| 14.00 – 16.00 | Programme Committee + Rapporteurs meeting |  | Hilton The Hague  Zeestraat 35 |  |  |
| 17.00 – 19.00 | Welcome reception | *Word of welcome*  *Deputy Mayor of the City of The Hague*,  Ms Saskia Bruines  *President of the Institute of International Law*, Prof. Nico Schrijver | The Hague City Hall (Atrium)  Spui 70 | Please bring your duly filled **voting ballot**  Payment for gala dinner and partner programme can be made during this event (cash or card) | Open to accompanying persons |
| **Monday 26 August 2019** | **Event/meeting** | **Speakers** | **Location** | **Important information** | **Partner Programme** |
| 07.30 – 08.15 | Registration at the Peace Palace security gate |  | Peace Palace  Carnegieplein 2 | Please arrive duly in time and **take your ID** **and voting ballot** (if not yet cast the day before) | Open to accompanying persons |
| 08.45 | All have to be seated |  | Please note:  Great Hall of Justice: **Members and Invitees**  Auditorium (Academy Building): **Accompanying persons and Staff** | Please note that no one will be allowed to enter the hall anymore after this time. In case members are late, they can proceed to the Auditorium. | Accompanying persons seated in Auditorium |
| 09.00 – 10.30 | Opening ceremony in presence of H.R.H. Princess Beatrix of The Netherlands | *President of the Institute of International Law,* Professor Nico Schrijver  *President of the International Court of Justice,* H.E. Judge Abdulqawi Yusuf  Musical Intermezzo, Beethoven Quartet op. 18 nr.1, first part: allegro con brio by the Aristos Quartet  *Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation,*  Ms Sigrid Kaag  *President of the Hague Academy of International Law,*  Professor Yves Daudet  Musical Intermezzo, Haydn, opus 54/2, 2nd part: adagio by the Aristos Quartet  *Deputy Mayor of the City of The Hague,*  Ms Saskia Bruines  *Secretary-General of the Institute of International Law,*  Professor Marcelo Kohen |  |  |  |
| *10.30 – 11.15* |  | *Opening reception with coffee/tea and refreshments* | Entrance Hall of the Peace Palace | During this reception you can still cast your vote if not done so yet  Payment for closing dinner and partner programme can be made during this event (cash or card) |  |
| 11.15 – 11.30 | Official photograph  *Members, Partners (Staff)* |  | Stairs at the entrance of the Peace Palace | Or inside in case of rain |  |
| 11.30 – 13.00 | 1st administrative meeting | *Welcome by the President of the Carnegie Foundation*,  Minister of State Piet Hein Donner  *Presentation of the Report of the Secretary-General*,  Prof. Marcelo Kohen | Auditorium | Agenda includes elections of 2nd and 3rd Vice-Presidents, President of the Programme Committee and Treasurer as well as the results of the first round of voting | **12.30** Lunch in Restaurant des Juges, initiated by Mrs Suad Yusuf & Mrs Yuwen Schrijver-Li  **14.00 – 15.30** guided tour Peace Palace  [For info and registration, click here](https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/lunch-421.html) |
| 13.00 – 15.00 | Commission meetings | Commission 4 (Prof. Basedow)  Commission 5 (Sir Kenneth Keith) | Meeting rooms Peace Palace | Room number will be indicated at the spot |
| *13.00 – 15.00* | *Lunch break* |  |  | Please give priority to commission members who have to go to their meetings |
| 15.00 – 15.15 | 2nd round of voting |  | Auditorium |  |
| 15.15 – 16.30 | Plenary 4th Commission | Prof. Jürgen Basedow | Auditorium |  |  |
| *16.30 – 16.45* | *Pause* |  |  |  |  |
| 16.45 – 16.55 | Results 2nd round of voting |  | Auditorium |  |  |
| 17.00 – 18.00 | Plenary 4th Commission | Prof. Jürgen Basedow | Auditorium |  |  |
| 18.30 – 20.00 | Reception hosted by Council of State of The Netherlands | *Welcome by the Vice-President of the Council of State*,  Mr Thom de Graaf  *Word of thanks by the Secretary-General of the Institute of International Law*,  Prof. Marcelo Kohen | Council of State  (Gothic Hall)  Entrance at  Kneuterdijk 20 |  | Open to accompanying persons |
| **Tuesday 27 August 2019** | **Event/meeting** | **Speakers** | **Location** | **Important information** | **Partner Programme** |
| 09.00 – 10.30 | Plenary meeting 18th commission and possible 3rd round of voting | Prof. Campbell McLachlan | Auditorium |  |  |
| 10.30 – 10.45 | *Pause* |  |  |  |  |
| 10.45 – 12.30 | Plenary meeting 18th commission | Prof. Campbell McLachlan | Auditorium |  | **Canal tour & lunch Delft**  11.00 – 15.00  Departure from Carlton Hotel  [For info and registration, click here](https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/canal-413.html) |
| ***12.30 – 13.00*** | ***Lunch*** |  |  | The Refectorium will be open from 12.30 to 14.30 for the lunch. If you would like to join the history commission meeting make sure to arrive in time |
| **13.00 – 14.30** | **History Commission: open to all members** | Prof. Jean Salmon | Auditorium | Please note that this meeting runs concurrently with the commission meetings |
| **12.30 – 14.30** | **Commission meetings** | *Commission 4 (Prof. Basedow) -> starts at 12.45*  *Commission 8 (Prof. Jayme & Prof. Symeonides) -> starts at 13.30*  *Commission 11 (Prof. Treves & Prof. Scovazzi)* | Meeting rooms Peace Palace | Room number will be indicated at the spot |
| 14.30 – 16.00 | Plenary 4th Commission | Prof. Jürgen Basedow | Auditorium |  |  |
| 16.00 – 16.15 | *Pause* |  |  |  |  |
| 16.15 – 17.45 | Plenary 4th Commission | Prof. Jürgen Basedow | Auditorium |  |  |
| 18.00 – 20.00 | *Joint Panel of the Institut de Droit international and the Hague Academy of International Law on:*  **World Politics:**  **“International Law First”?** | *Moderated by:*  Prof. Marcelo Kohen, *Secretary-General of the Institute of International Law*  *&*  Prof. Nico Schrijver, *Member Curatorium Hague Academy*  *Panel Members:*  Prof. Georges Abi-Saab, *Member of the Institute & former Academy Lecturer*  Prof. Hannah Buxbaum, *Member of the Curatorium*  Dame Rosalyn Higgins*, Member of the Institute & former Academy Lecturer*  Prof. Maurice Kamto, *Member of the Institute & Member of the Curatorium*  Prof. Martti Koskenniemi, *Member of the Institute* | Auditorium |  | Open to accompanying persons |
| **Wednesday 28 August 2019** | **Event/meeting** | **Speakers** | **Location** | **Important information** | **Partner Programme** |
| 09.00 – 11.00 | Plenary 18th commission | Prof. Campbell McLachlan | Auditorium |  |  |
| 11.00 – 11.15 | *Pause* |  |  |  |  |
| 11.15 – **12.00** | Plenary 18th commission | Prof. Campbell McLachlan | Auditorium |  |  |
| **12.00 – 13.00** | Plenary 4th commission | Prof. Jürgen Basedow | Auditorium |  |  |
|  | Lunch / free time before excursion |  |  |  |  |
| **14.00 – 14.15** | Be present at assembly point for the buses  *Members, Partners, Staff* | | Carlton Ambassador, Sophialaan 2 |  |  |
| **14.30** | Departure to [Loevestein Castle](https://www.slotloevestein.nl/en/), where Hugo Grotius was kept as prisoner | |  | Please wear comfortable shoes |  |
|  | **Excursion & Dinner Loevestein Castle provided through the courtesy of the Dutch National Group** | |  | Members and accompanying persons:  [**Please register here**](https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/register-412.html) |  |
| 21.00 | Return to The Hague | |  |  |  |
| **Thursday 29 August 2019** | **Event/meeting** | **Speakers** | **Location** | **Important information** | **Partner Programme** |
| 09.00 – 10.30 | Plenary 8th commission | Prof. Erik Jayme & Prof. Symeon Symeonides | Auditorium |  |  |
| 10.30 – 10.45 | Pause |  |  |  |  |
| 10.45 – 12.30 | Plenary 8th commission | Prof. Erik Jayme & Prof. Symeon Symeonides | Auditorium |  | ***Ockenburgh Estate tour & lunch***  *10.30 – 15.00*  *Departure from Carlton*  [*For info and registration, click here*](https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/ockenburgh-415.html) |
| 12.30 – 14.30 | Commission meetings | *Commission 6 (Prof. Van Houtte)*  *Commission 7 (Judge Arsanjani)*  *Commission 13 (Judge Sicilianos)* | Meeting rooms Peace Palace | Room number will be indicated at the spot |
| *12.30 – 14.30* | *Lunch break* |  |  | Please give priority to commission members who have to go to their meetings |
| 14.30 – 16.00 | Plenary 7th commission | Judge Mahnoush Arsanjani | Auditorium |  |  |
| 16.00 – 16.15 | Pause |  |  |  |  |
| 16.15 – 17.45 | Plenary 7th commission | Judge Mahnoush Arsanjani | Auditorium |  |  |
| 18.00 – 20.00 | Joint panel of the Institute of International and the Royal Netherlands Society of International Law on -  **The Life and Work of Tobias Asser: what are their echoes in the 21st century?** – This session will mark the launch of the biography on Tobias Asser written by Dr. Arthur Eyffinger | *Introduction:* Prof. Willem van der Genugten, *President of the Royal Netherlands Society of International Law*  *Keynote speech:* Dr. Arthur Eyffinger, *Author of the Asser Biography*  *Moderator:* Prof. Hans van Loon  *Panel Members:*  Prof. Janne Nijman, *Director of the TMC Asser Institute*  Prof. Marta Pertegás  Prof. Jean Salmon | Auditorium |  | Open to accompanying persons |
| **Friday 30 August 2019** | **Event/meeting** | **Speakers** | **Location** | **Important information** | **Partner Programme** |
| 09.00 – 10.30 | Plenary 8th Commission | Prof. Erik Jayme & Prof. Symeon Symeonides | Auditorium |  |  |
| 10.30 – 10.45 | *Pause* |  |  |  |  |
| 10.45 – 12.30 | Plenary 8th Commission | Prof. Erik Jayme & Prof. Symeon Symeonides | Auditorium |  |  |
| 12.30 – 14.30 | Commission meetings | *Commission 1 (Prof. Kessedjian)*  *Commission 9 (Judge Pinto & Prof. Gannagé)*  *Commission 15 (Prof. Bastid Burdeau)*  *Commission 17 (Prof. Pocar & Prof. d’Argent)* | Meeting rooms Peace Palace | Room number will be indicated at the spot | ***Museum Voorlinden***  *13.30 – 17.00*  *Departure from Carlton*  [*For info and registration, click here*](https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/museum-419.html) |
| 12.30 – 14.30 | Lunch break |  |  | Please give priority to commission members who have to go to their meetings |
| 14.30 – 16.00 | Plenary 7th Commission | Judge Mahnoush Arsanjani | Auditorium |  |
| 16.00 – 16.15 | *Pause* |  |  |  |
| 16.15 – 17.45 | Plenary 7th Commission | Judge Mahnoush Arsanjani | Auditorium |  |
| 19.00 – 22.00 | Closing dinner  *Members, Partners, Staff* | Gala dinner with key note speech by the *Minister of Justice and Security*,  Dr. Ferdinand Grapperhaus | Hall of Knights (Ridderzaal)  Binnenhof 11 | Members, accompanying persons and staff  [**Please register here**](https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/register-412.html) |  |
| **Saturday 31 August 2019** | **Event/meeting** | **Speakers** | **Location** | **Important information** |  |
| 09.00 – 10.30 | Plenary 7th commission | Judge Mahnoush Arsanjani | Auditorium |  |  |
| 10.30 – 10.45 | *Pause* |  |  |  |  |
| 10.45 – 11.45 | Presentation 13th Commission | Judge Linos-Alexandre Sicilianos | Auditorium |  |  |
| 11.45 – 13.00 | Closing session |  | Auditorium | Agenda includes elections of President and 1st Vice-President |  |

# Additional practical information

**In general: about registration for the programme**

The schedule of the partner programme has been added to the main agenda. All parts of the programme in yellow are open to accompanying persons. To clarify the registration requirements, please note the following:

**1. By having submitted your final registration form** for the session via the form <https://forms.gle/8pQ5Az91evyaKSP49> (which almost all of you have done), **members and accompanying persons** have:

- access to Peace Palace throughout the entire week (including the opening ceremony on Monday 26 August and the panels on Tuesday and Thursday evening) (Carnegieplein 2) -> Important: every time that you would like to access the Peace Palace premises you will need to show your identification (passport / ID card).

- the Welcome Reception on Sunday 25 August at The Hague City Hall (Spui 70)

- the reception hosted by the Council of State on Monday 26 August (Kneuterdijk 20)

**2. Upon registration via the excursion website** <https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/> you can register for the additional (paid) events on the programme:

**-> Members and accompanying persons**

- Loevestein Castle (Wednesday 28 August, offered by Dutch National Group)

- Gala dinner (Friday 30 August): the Gala Dinner is a very special dinner, taking place in the Hall of Knights (originally the reception hall of a 13th-century hunting lodge) where every year on the third Tuesday in September the King delivers the King’s Speech in a joint sitting of both chambers of parliament. Own contribution towards the costs of this dinner are €60,- p.p.)

In particular with regard to these two events, it is much appreciated if you (and your partner/spouse) could register as soon as possible (**by the 19th of August**) as this will be very helpful for the organization of these events.

**-> Accompanying persons**

- Lunch & tour at the Peace Palace (Monday 26 August, the costs of the lunch are €26,50,- (to be paid at the restaurant directly), the guided tour is offered to you by the Dutch National Group))

- Canal tour & lunch Delft (Tuesday 27 August, €36 p.p.)

- Ockenburgh Estate & lunch (Thursday 29 August, €45 p.p.)

- Museum Voorlinden (Friday 30 August, €35,- p.p.)

The payment of any of the events for which you have registered can be made during the Welcome Reception on Sunday 25 August and after the Opening Ceremony on Monday 26 August, and Tuesday at the registration desk of the Auditorium, by card or by cash.

**Transportation:**

You will have to take care of your own transportation from the airport to The Hague and to get to the conference venues (Peace Palace, City Hall (on Sunday), Council of State (on Monday) and Hall of Knights (on Friday)). Distances are not far and the places are all connected by public transportation (trams and buses).

For the excursions transportation is provided.The assembly point for all excursions, including the excursion on Wednesday 28 August to the Loevestein Castle that has been organized by the Dutch National Group for all members and accompanying persons, is the Carlton Ambassador Hotel, Sophialaan 2, Den Haag. For the precise departure details see also the excursion website: [https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/](https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/canal-tour--413.html)

For more information about public transport in The Netherlands:

Public transport: <https://9292.nl/>

Train: <https://www.ns.nl/>

Schiphol (airport): <https://www.schiphol.nl/en/transportation-from-schiphol/>

To order a taxi in The Hague:

* HTMC Taxi Office at 0031 70 390 77 22 or <https://www.htmc.nl/>
* TCH cabs at 0031 70 390 62 62 or <https://www.tch.nl/en/>

**Lunch during the session:**

**Refectorium:** during the session there is the possibility to have lunch in the refectorium.

**Restaurant des Juges:** this is also possible upon reservation but please note **that you will have to reserve at least 4 days in advance.**

Reservations for the restaurant des juges can be made by sending an email to Marijn Bosma - Van Vliet [marijn@commgres.com](mailto:marijn@commgres.com) or to call her at + 31 6 234 66 473.

**Side events during the session:**

* **Photo exhibition:** the photo exhibition that was organized by the International Law Commission Secretariat as part of the events in light of the 70th anniversary of the ILC in 2018 will be on display in the reception hall of the Academy Building.
* **Meet your bookshelf and/or your favourite practitioner:** some members have been invited to meet with students to exchange ideas about their work or on current issues of international law.
* **Publishers:** several publishers will be present in the Academy Building to showcase their collections.

**Important addresses:**

Carlton Ambassador Hotel, Sophialaan 2, 2514 JP Den Haag (assembly point excursions)

City Hall The Hague/Municipality (Stadhuis), Spui 70, 2511 BT Den Haag (welcome reception on Sunday 25 August)

Council of State (Raad van State), Gothic Hall, Kneuterdijk 20 (white palace), 2514 JA, Den Haag (reception on Monday 26 August)

Hall of Knights (Ridderzaal) Binnenhof 11, 2531 AA Den Haag (Gala dinner on Friday 30 August)

Hilton Hotel The Hague, Zeestraat 35, 2518 AA Den Haag (meetings on Sunday 25 August)

Loevestein Castle, Loevestein 1, 5307 TG  Poederoijen (close to Gorichem and Zaltbommel), +31 183-447182 (excursion on Wednesday 28 August)

Peace Palace (Vredespaleis), Carnegieplein 2, 2517 KJ Den Haag (main venue of the session for the entire week, including the opening ceremony)

**Persons with physical disabilities:**

Please note for the Loevestein castle that it will be difficult to visit the higher floors of the Castle because there is no elevator. For some of the excursions, mobility aids are available. If you would need any assistance, please inform Ms Marijn Bosma (see contact details below).

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**Registration links:**

**Session:** <https://forms.gle/8pQ5Az91evyaKSP49>

**Excursions:** <https://www.idiconference-excursions.nl/register-412.html>