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International Humanitarian Law Symposium

Presented by Australian Red Cross and the Sydney Centre for International Law

In times of conflict, journalists and war correspondents often bear witness to the horrific, the unspeakable, and the illegal. Civilians used as human shields. Ambulances and humanitarian workers attacked. And chemical weapons turned on families and bystanders.

But how can we be made aware of possible war crimes if no one reports them? Your role as a journalist matters more than ever. And international humanitarian law — known as the ‘laws of war’ — can help you in this vital role. They can also be a tool to keep you safer.

The inaugural Symposium, featuring some of Australia’s finest legal and writing specialists, will help explore your role in ending impunity for war crimes, and discover how IHL can help you report safely from conflict zones. Seminars will also look at how citizen journalists and mobile videos can change the course of a conflict; the implications of ‘fake news’; and whether good reporting can lead to improved compliance with the laws of war.

This will be crucial knowledge for all correspondents and writers interested or currently working in the field.

1 November, 5.30pm – 8.30pm

IHL Speed session - open to all media professionals and journalism students

2 November, 9.00am – 5.30pm

IHL Symposium ‘Humanitarian and Journalistic Challenges of Ethical War Reporting’ - open to all media professionals, humanitarian organisation and academics and post-graduate students in the fields of law or journalism

3 November, 9.00am – 5.30pm

Inaugural IHL Teaching Symposium - open to all academics and post-graduate students currently teaching or interested in teaching IHL

**Sydney Law School, The University of Sydney New Law School Building (F10)
Eastern Avenue, Camperdown Campus, Common Room Level 4**

IHL Speed Session - Free entry

One day pass - \$75.00

Two day pass - \$120.00

10% earlybird discount on all passes until 30 September.

Places are strictly limited. To view the Symposium program and to secure your place, register at www.redcross.org.au/ihl-symposium