SYMPOSIUM
Nice – January 25&26, 2024

Combating Conflict-Related Sexual Violence
Normative Frameworks and Operational Action

PROGRAM

Thursday, January 25

9.00 am - Welcome coffee & registration

9.30 am - Opening session

- Cécile Sabourault, Vice-president for international affairs of Université Côte d’Azur
- Patrick Weil, Founder and President of Bibliothèques Sans Frontières
- Jean-Christophe Martin, Université Côte d’Azur, Director of the IdPD - UNESCO Chair P2D

9.45 am - Keynote speech

Pramila PATTEN
United Nations Under-Secretary-General
Special Representative of the Secretary-General on sexual violence in conflict

Coffee break
10.30 - 12.15 – **Panel 1**

**International Legal Frameworks Against CRSV**

Cadres juridiques internationaux contre les VSCL

- Paola FORGIONE, Legal Advisor at International Committee of the Red Cross: “International Humanitarian Law and Sexual Violence: The ICRC’s work on addressing sexual violence through national implementation”

- Anne Marie de BROUWER, Director of IMPACT - Center Against Human Trafficking and Sexual Violence in Conflict: “The fight against CRSV linked to trafficking in persons”


- Joya ELIAS, Programme manager at International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law: “Investigating and prosecuting sexual violence linked to terrorism”

- **LUNCH** -

1.30 - 3.15 pm – **Panel 2**

**National Criminal Justice Frameworks on the Investigation and Prosecution of CRSV**

Cadres nationaux d'enquêtes et poursuites pénales en matière de VLSC

- James FREDAY, United Nations Team of experts on Rule of law / Sexual violence in conflict

- Winthrop WELLS, Senior Manager, Programs and Policy Planning at International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law: “Evidence collection in sexual violence linked to terrorism investigations”

- Tendance Prisca VOUEZOLO BONGAT, Judge (Tribunal of Brazzaville), Public Prosecutor at the Administrative Court of Pointe-Noire: “The judicial treatment of sexual violence resulting from conflict by Congolese courts”

- Martial MANET, Associate researcher - Member of the network of the ANR project on sexual violence and childhood at war: “Sexual crimes in the Kivus: what assessment can be made of mobile courts ten years after they were introduced?”

- Discussant: Emmanuelle SAULNIER-CASSIA, Professor of European law, Université de Versailles-Saint-Quentin-Paris-Saclay

*Coffee break*
3.30 - 5.15 pm – Panel 3

Access to Justice and Reparation Mechanisms
Accès à la justice et mécanismes de réparation

- Muriel UBEDA-SAILLARD, Professor of international law, University of Lille, Council for the RDC before the ICJ in the case Armed Activities on the Territory of the Congo - reparations judgment: “The proof of CRSV before international courts with a view to reparation”

- Paolina MASSIDDA, Principal Counsel at the independent Office of Public Counsel for Victims (OPCV) at the International Criminal Court: “Participation and reparation of sexual and gender-based crimes (SGBCs) victims before the ICC”

- Jean de Dieu SIKULIBO, Diakonia International Humanitarian Law Resource Centre in the Sahel region: “Ensuring Redress for Survivors of CRSV”


Friday, January 26

9.30 am - Welcome coffee & informal networking

10.15 - 12 am – Panel 4

Prevention strategies, Holistic Support, and Community Responses to CRSV
Stratégies de prévention, soutien holistique et réponses communautaires aux violences sexuelles liées aux conflits

- Katrien COPPENS, Executive director of Dr Mukwege Foundation

- Lindsay FORSLUND, Political Affairs Officer, Deputy coordinator, Office of the SRSG on Sexual Violence in Conflict, United Nations: “The UN action framework for the prevention of CRSV”


- Jeremy LACHAL, Executive director of Bibliothèques Sans Frontières

- LUNCH -
1.45 - 3.30 pm – **Panel 5**

*Multi-sectoral policy frameworks and advocacy campaigns*

Cadres politiques multisectoriels et campagnes de sensibilisation

- Céline BARDET, Founder and President of the NGO "We Are NOT Weapons Of War" (WWoW)
- International Institute for Humanitarian Law (GianLuca BERRUTO, Secretary general or an IIHL expert): “Raising awareness and expertise on CRSV through educational programs: the experience of IIHL.” *(to be confirmed)*
- Jocelyne MILANDOU KANZA, Magistrate, National President of the Association of Women Jurists of Congo - Coordinator of the National Network to Combat Gender-Based Violence (Renalvisco): “Social reintegration and the role of the media in amplifying the voices of victims and raising awareness of gender-based violence”
- Sylviane BALUSTRE, L’Oréal Fund for Women General Manager *(to be confirmed)*
- Dr Mukwege Foundation (Katrien COPPENS or Erin Farell ROSENBERG): “The Guidebook on State Obligations for Conflict-Related Sexual Violence”

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3.30 – 4.15 pm – **Concluding session**

Anne-Marie Descôtes
Secretary-General of the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs

Jean-Christophe Martin - Patrick Weil

*Coffee break*

4.30 – 5.15 pm – **Ideasbox presentation by BSF with press**

5.30 pm – **Cocktail & Meeting**

*Preventing and combating rape as a weapon of war*

*An innovative partnership between the United Nations and Bibliothèques Sans Frontières*

*Prévenir et combattre le viol comme arme de guerre*

*Un partenariat innovant entre les Nations Unies et Bibliothèques Sans Frontières*

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