

The Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights is delighted to announce its Inaugural Transitional Justice Workshop:

Reparations Programs After Conflicts – Theory Meets Practice

Monday, 19 March 2012 – 17.30
Villa Moynier, Rue de Lausanne 120B, Geneva

Reparations programmes have become crucial elements of transitional justice policies in many ‘post-conflict’ societies emerging from civil war or authoritarian regimes. This inaugural workshop will discuss some of the systems that have been created to provide reparation for victims of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes, and will critically explore the ways in which they have worked in practice. What are the theoretical and practical challenges associated with the establishment of such massive human rights programmes? How should a reparation programme be constructed in the wake of mass atrocities that seem to defy any ordinary notion of ‘repair’? And what contributions can reparations programmes realistically make in periods of transition from authoritarianism to democracy or from war to peace? Building on the insights of established experts in the field of reparations, this workshop seeks to address these and related topics, as a means to foster cross-disciplinary dialogue among scholars and practitioners.



Main speaker: Norbert Wühler

Dr. Norbert Wühler was Director of Reparation Programmes at IOM, Chief of the Legal Service of the UNCC, and Legal Adviser to the President and Deputy Secretary-General of the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal. He is a member of the Kosovo Property Claims Commission (KPCC) and is on the ICSID List of Conciliators. He has acted as sole arbitrator, member and chairman of several international arbitral tribunals.

With the participation of:

Laurence Boisson de Chazournes

Professor of International Law, University of Geneva

Riccardo Bocco

Professor of Political Sociology, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

The event will be chaired by **Frank Haldemann**, SNFS Professor at the ADH.

A cocktail dinatoire will be held after the workshop

Capacity is limited for this event therefore please confirm your attendance via email to alice.priddy@adh-geneve.ch or telephone **022 908 44 32**.