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The “Cross-Fertilization” Rhetoric in Question: Use and Abuse of the European Court’s Jurisprudence by International Criminal Tribunals

Keynote Speaker

Judge Cuno Tarfusser

Vice-President of the International Criminal Court



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Business School, Lecture Theatre (B001)
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The Conference will focus on the legal phenomenon of cross-fertilization between international criminal law and human rights principles developed by specialized supranational bodies. The goal is to critically assess the manner in which widely-recognized standards of human rights have been used (or misused) by international criminal tribunals (ICTs). It will consider the notion of cross-fertilization, seeking to test the underlying coherence of the idea that legal concepts can be transplanted unchanged from the system of origin into another system.

The Conference proposes to undertake this critical assessment by restricting its perspective to one direction in which this gradual interpenetration and cross-fertilization has developed: the use that ICTs have made of European Court of Human Rights’ jurisprudence. By concentrating upon this, it intends to determine whether and to what extent ICTs have correctly applied imported human rights principles, thereby identifying eventual areas of discrepancy. Indeed, ICTs and human rights courts pursue distinct institutional aims, are differently structured, and the process of comparison of their jurisprudence requires patient interpretation and qualification.

Who Should Attend

- Solicitors
- Barristers
- Legal Professionals
- Academics
- Law and Criminology Students

Keynote Speaker



Judge Cuno Tarfusser was elected Vice-President of the International Criminal Court in 2012. As Member of the Pre-Trial Division, since 2009, Judge Tarfusser has been working on Situations in Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo, Central African Republic, Republic of Kenya, Libya and Mali.

Judge Tarfusser has served the Public Prosecution Office of the Bolzano District Court, Italy, as Deputy Public Prosecutor for a period of sixteen years and as Chief Public Prosecutor for a further eight years. Under his guidance the working practices of the Office were radically restructured, the organisational model of which is now considered as the standard for the entire justice administration system throughout Italy.

How to Register

To book your free place please complete the online form:

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Please note places are limited.

For further information please contact Dr Triestino Mariniello E: mariniet@edgehill.ac.uk

Conference Outline

11.00 **Panel 1**
Human rights and International Criminal Law: Synergy or Fragmentation?

Chair: Dr. Triestino Mariniello
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Keynote speech:
Judge Cuno Tarfusser
Vice-President of the
International Criminal Court
Professor Ulf Linderfalk
University of Lund

Professor Harmen van der Wilt
University of Amsterdam

12.15 **Coffee break**

12.30 **Panel 2**
Lights and Shadows: The Impact of Human Rights on Individual Guarantees

Chair: Dr. Paolo Lobba
University of Bologna /
Humboldt University of Berlin

Professor Paola Gaeta
University of Geneva

Professor Olympia Bekou
University of Nottingham

Professor Kevin Jon Heller
SOAS – University of London

14.00 **Lunch**
Conference Ends

