

# Commemoration of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Adoption of the Rome Statute

## Conference on Amendments: Towards one Comprehensive Jurisdictional Regime for all Crimes Within the Jurisdiction of the ICC

Friday, 6 October 2023 and Saturday, 7 October 2023

Law School (Juridicum), Schottenbastei 10-16, 1010 Vienna, top floor (DG)





## Friday, 6 October 2023

- 12:30 p.m. **Registration / Refreshments**
- 1:00-1:30 p.m. **Welcome**  
**Brigitta Zöchling-Jud**  
*Dean of the Law School, University of Vienna*  
**Ursula Kriebaum**  
*Professor of International Law, Department of European, International and Comparative Law, University of Vienna*  
**Astrid Reisinger Coracini**  
*Post-doc Lecturer and Researcher, University of Vienna*  
**Opening address**  
**Alexander Schallenberg**  
*Federal Minister of Foreign Affairs of Austria (video message)*
- 1:30-2:30 p.m. **Keynote: On the New Momentum Regarding the Prosecution of the Crime of Aggression**  
**Claus Kress**  
*Professor of International Law and Criminal Law; Director of the Institute of International Peace and Security Law at the University of Cologne*
- 2:30-4:15 p.m. **Panel I. The International Criminal Court's Exercise of Jurisdiction Over the Crime of Aggression: From Rome via Kampala and New York Towards a Principled Legal Framework?**  
Chair: **Konrad Bühler**, *Legal Advisor, Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Austria*  
**Forks in the Road: The Crime of Aggression from Rome to Kampala**  
**Leena Grover**, *Associate Professor of International Law, Tilburg Law School*  
**The Price of the Missed Opportunity – Eastern European Positions on the Crime of Aggression**  
**Patrycja Grzebyk**, *Associate Professor, University of Warsaw*  
**Understanding Article 15bis and Understanding the Politics of the Crime of Aggression**  
**Carrie McDougall**, *Senior Lecturer, University of Melbourne*
- 4:15-4:45 p.m. **Coffee break**

## PROGRAMME

4:45-6:30 p.m. **Panel II. Amending the Conditions for the International Criminal Court's Exercise of Jurisdiction over the Crime of Aggression: At the Intersection of the Rome Statute and the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties**

Chair: **Irmgard Marboe**, *Professor of International Law, University of Vienna*

**Bringing Back to Unity the *Corpus Iuris* of the Core Crimes: Aligning Jurisdiction and Entry Into Force With the Object and Purpose of the Rome Statute**

**David Donat Cattin**, *Adjunct Associate Professor of International Law, Center for Global Affairs, New York University; Adjunct Professor of the Law of International Organizations, University of Verona, Department of Law*

**The Relationship Between the Rome Statute and the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties: It's Complicated**

**Kirsten Schmalenbach**, *Professor of International Law, University of Salzburg*

**Amendment of Article 15bis (4) and (5) of the Rome Statute: What Place for Third Parties?**

**Stephan Wittich**, *Professor of International Law, University of Vienna and Adjunct Professor at the Vienna School of International Studies*

### Saturday, 7 October 2023

9:00-10:45 a.m. **Panel III. Amendments to the International Criminal Court's Subject Matter Jurisdiction**

Chair: **Ursula Kriebaum**, *Professor of International Law, University of Vienna*

**The Phantom Annex in Article 8 of the Rome Statute**

**Roger Clark**, *Board of Governors Professor Emeritus, Rutgers University*

**Slavery Crime Amendments to the Rome Statute**

**Patricia Viseur Sellers**, *Visiting Fellow, University of Oxford; Special Advisor on Slavery Crimes, Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court*

**To Amend or not to Amend? Discussing Possible Extensions to the Rome Statute's Subject-Matter Jurisdiction**

**Olympia Bekou**, *Professor of Public International Law and Head of School, Law School, University of Nottingham*

10:45-11:15 a.m. **Coffee break**

11:15-1:00 p.m. **Panel IV. Amendments to the Rome Statute to Counter (Perceived) Selectivity in International Criminal Justice**

Chair: **Milan Lipovský**, *Senior Lecturer and Researcher, Charles University Prague*

**How to Counter Selectivity and Double Standards in Veto Use by Permanent Members of the UN Security Council**

**Jennifer Trahan**, *Clinical Professor, Center for Global Affairs, New York University*

**Power and the Rule of Law: Uncomfortable Neighbours in the Rome Statute System**

**Dire D. Tladi**, *South African Research Chair in International Constitutional Law, University of Pretoria*

**International Crimes and Double Standards – Old Wine in Many Bottles**

**James A. Goldston**, *Executive Director, Open Society Justice Initiative*

1:00-2:00 p.m. **Lunch**

2:00-4:00 p.m. **Panel V. Accountability for the Crime of Aggression in Ukraine and Beyond**

Chair: **Astrid Reisinger Coracini**, *Post-doc Lecturer and Researcher, University of Vienna*

**Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi**, *President of the Assembly of States Parties of the International Criminal Court*

**Anton Korynevych**, *Ambassador-at-large in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine (via video link)*

**Deborah Ruiz Verduzco**, *Executive Director, Trust Fund for Victims*

**Christian Wenaweser**, *Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein to the United Nations (via video link)*

**Alma Zadić**, *Federal Minister of Justice of Austria*

4:00-4:30 p.m. **Closing Remarks**

**Astrid Reisinger Coracini**, *Post-doc Lecturer and Researcher, University of Vienna*

## PANELLISTS

**Olympia Bekou** is Professor of Public International Law and Head of the School of Law at the University of Nottingham. A qualified lawyer, she specialises in international criminal law. Olympia has undertaken numerous capacity-building missions, including in post-conflict situations (such as Colombia, the DRC, Liberia, Sierra Leone and Uganda), has provided legislation drafting assistance to Samoa (with legislation enacted in November 2007) and Jamaica, and has been involved in training the Thai judiciary. She is Deputy Director of the Case Matrix Network, a member of the Advisory Board of the Centre for International Law Research and Policy (CILRAP), and Editor of the Torkel Opsahl Academic EPublisher (TOAEP). She is also a member of the Executive Board of Civitas Maxima and board member of GJRP and Tallawah Justice for Women. Olympia is responsible for the National Implementing Legislation Database (NILD) of the ICC Legal Tools Project, the creator of the Cooperation and Judicial Assistance Database (CJAD), and has taught extensively worldwide. In 2014, she was awarded the University of Nottingham Knowledge Exchange and Innovation Award for Societal Impact in Social Sciences for her work and in 2015-2016 she was recognised as an Impact Leader as part of ESRC's impact leaders programme.



Ambassador Dr. **Konrad Bühler** is the Legal Adviser and Director of the Legal Office of the Austrian Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs. From 2014 to 2023, he headed the Ministry's Department of Public International Law, and from 2011 to 2014, the Unit for Multilateral International Legal Issues. From 2004 to 2011, he was the Legal Adviser at the Permanent Mission of Austria to the United Nations in New York. From 1999 to 2004, he worked in the Legal Office and the Office of the Special Envoy for Restitution Issues. Among the variety of topics, Mr. Bühler has focussed on international criminal law and the International Criminal Court (ICC). For almost two decades, he has participated in the Assembly of States Parties of the ICC as member and head of the Austrian delegation. In December 2017, he was co-facilitator of the negotiations that led to the activation of the ICC's jurisdiction over the crime of aggression. During Austria's membership in the UN Security Council from 2009 to 2010, he headed the negotiations leading to the adoption of Resolution 1966 (2010) on the establishment of the Residual Mechanism for the International Criminal Tribunals for former Yugoslavia and Rwanda.



**Roger S. Clark** is Professor Emeritus at Rutgers Law School, Camden, New Jersey, where he taught for 49 years. He is a graduate of Victoria University of Wellington in his native New Zealand and of Columbia Law School in New York. He has published widely on International Criminal Law, the Law of International Organizations and on Human Rights. He was a member of the former UN Committee on Crime Prevention and Control. He represented Samoa in the negotiations on the Rome Statute, including in Rome and Kampala, and was active in the Special Working Group on the Crime of Aggression.



**David Donat-Cattin** (Ph.D., Law) is Adjunct Associate Professor of International Law at New York University (NYU) Center for Global Affairs. He recently joined the Center for International Law Research and Policy (CILRAP) as Research Fellow and the Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies at Concordia University as Senior Fellow. His academic work runs parallel to a career in civil society: He was the Secretary-General (2014-22) of Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA), the largest international network of individual lawmakers, where he had served as Senior Director, Legal Advisor and European Coordinator (2000-13). At PGA, he informed, sensitized, and mobilized parliamentarians who promoted the universality and effectiveness of the Rome Statute system in more than 120 countries, contributing to the ratification process of 78 out of the current 123 States Parties while assisting domestic implementing legislation in 37 States. He participated in the ICC process since 1995. One of his drafting-proposals was tabled by New Zealand in 1997 and led to the incorporation of victims' participation in the ICC procedural law. He serves pro-bono causa in the advisory councils of the Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression (GIPA) and the International Center for Multigenerational Legacies of Trauma (ICMGLT).



**Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi** assumed functions as the President of the Assembly of States Parties to the ICC for a three-year term on 12 February 2020. Prior to her tenure, she was a Judge at the ICC, notably as its President from 2015 to 2018. Throughout her career, Ms. Fernandez de Gurmendi has been involved in the creation, startup and functioning of the ICC, including by presiding over the negotiation process of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence during the Preparatory Commission for the ICC and as Chef de Cabinet and Director in the Office of the Prosecutor of the ICC. Prior to her tenure at the ICC, Ms. Fernández de Gurmendi was a diplomat in the Argentinian Foreign Service, having served as the Legal Adviser to the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations and the Director General for Human Rights in the Argentinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, amongst other functions. She is currently the Chair of the Global Action Against Mass Atrocities Crimes (GAAMAC), the President of the Latin American Society of International Law (LASIL-SLADI) and member of the Advisory Board of the Nuremberg Principles Academy.



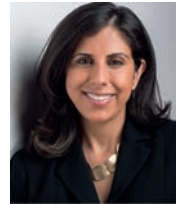
**James A. Goldston** is the executive director of the Open Society Justice Initiative, which advances the rule of law and legal protection of rights worldwide through advocacy, litigation, research, and the promotion of legal capacity. A leading practitioner of international human rights and criminal law, Goldston has litigated several groundbreaking cases before the European Court of Human Rights and United Nations treaty bodies, including on issues of torture, counterterrorism, and racial discrimination.



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Goldston previously served as coordinator of prosecutions and senior trial attorney in the Office of the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court. He was also the legal director of the Budapest-based European Roma Rights Centre; director general for human rights of the Mission to Bosnia-Herzegovina of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe; and prosecutor in the Office of the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, where he focused on organized crime. Goldston graduated from Columbia College and Harvard Law School and has taught at Columbia Law School and Central European University.

**Leena Grover** joined Tilburg Law School in the Netherlands as Associate Professor of International Law after a decade of international and national legal practice. As legal adviser to the chief negotiators on the crime of aggression from 2007 to 2010, she assisted with drafting the definition of this crime and conditions for the exercise of jurisdiction in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC). She is the author of *Interpreting Crimes in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court* (CUP 2014) and served as managing editor of *The Crime of Aggression: A Commentary*, Claus Kreß and Stefan Barriga (eds.) (CUP 2016). Her research in the field of international criminal law has been published in leading journals, including the *American Journal of International Law* and *European Journal of International Law*, as well as been cited *inter alia* by the ICC Appeals Chamber and UN International Law Commission. Leena is a member of the Council of Advisers of The Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression.



**Patrycja Grzebyk** – Dr.Hab.lur, Associate Professor, University of Warsaw. Her main research interests focus on International Humanitarian Law, International Criminal law, Use of Force and the role of international courts. Author of numerous publications including monographs: *Human and Non-Human Targets in Armed Conflicts* (CUP 2022); *Criminal Responsibility for the Crime of Aggression* (Routledge 2013); and articles/chapters, e.g. *Key Risks and Difficulties of Aggression Trials* (Springer 2021). Editor-in-chief of *ESIL Reflections* and co-editor-in-chief of the *Journal of International Humanitarian Action* (Springer). Member of the board of the European Society of International Law and Director of the Network on Humanitarian Action at the University of Warsaw. Expert of the OSCE Human Dimension (Moscow) Mechanism. Member of the International Law Association’s Committee on the Use of Force: Military Assistance on Request. She was visiting professor e.g. at the University of Bologna, University of Cambridge, University of Geneva, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, National Taiwan University. ORCID 0000-0003-4022-7018.





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Dr. **Anton Korynevych** is a Ukrainian lawyer specializing in public international law, international humanitarian and international criminal law. He serves as Ambassador-at-large in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine. Dr. Korynevych is the Agent of Ukraine before the International Court of Justice in the Allegations of Genocide and the Application of the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism and of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination cases (Ukraine v. Russian Federation). Dr. Korynevych is also Co-Agent of Ukraine before the International Court of Justice in a dispute under the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation (Canada, the Kingdom of Sweden, Ukraine and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland v. Islamic Republic of Iran). Dr. Korynevych has been working on legal consequences of Russian aggression against Ukraine since February 2014. He provided training and advice to Ukrainian prosecutorial authorities and Ukrainian human rights non-governmental organizations, and he participated in drafting of relevant national legislation. Among other functions, he is the Head of the Task Force Working Group on freeze, seize and confiscation of Russian assets within the Prosecutor General's Office of Ukraine and is coordinating the issue of the establishment of the Special Tribunal for the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.



**Claus Kreß** is a Professor of International Law and Criminal Law. He is the Director of the Institute of International Peace and Security Law at the University of Cologne. His prior practice was in the German Federal Ministry of Justice. In addition to his scholarly work, comprising more than 200 publications on the law on the use of force, the law of armed conflicts and international criminal law, he has been a member of Germany's delegations in the negotiations regarding the International Criminal Court as between 1998 and 2017. In 2019, he was appointed Judge *ad hoc* at the International Court of Justice in the Case of the *Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide* (The Gambia v. Myanmar). Since 2021, he has been serving as the Special Adviser to the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court on the Crime of Aggression.



**Ursula Kriebaum**, Professor of Public International Law at the University of Vienna; staff member in the office of the legal adviser of the Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2000, 2001); legal expert in the team of the Austrian Special Envoy for Holocaust Restitution Issues (2000, 2001); delegate to the UN Preparatory Committee for an International Criminal Court; short term expert in an EU Twinning Project; nomination by the Austrian government for the election of the Austrian judge to the European Court of Human Rights election in 2007; legal expert in various investment arbitrations



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and human rights cases; member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration (since 2014); member of the Panel of Arbitrators under the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union; member of the Panel of Conciliators maintained by the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes, alternate member of the Court of Conciliation and Arbitration within the OSCE (since 2013); member of the Arbitration panel for the Protocol on Cultural Cooperation to the Free Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States and the Republic of Korea.

**Milan Lipovský** (Dr., Ph.D.) is a senior lecturer and researcher at the Department of International Law, Faculty of Law, Charles University (Prague). He focuses primarily on international criminal law, law of international peace and security and human rights. In 2020 and 2021, he was a visiting scholar at the Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale (Florida, USA) and in 2022, he was a visiting researcher at the Institute for International Peace and Security Law, University of Cologne (Germany). He regularly publishes in the field of international criminal law, particularly regarding the crime of aggression and the crime of genocide. Recent publications include “*Universal Jurisdiction and the Crime of Genocide*”. In: Šturma, P./ Lipovský, M. (eds.) *The Crime of Genocide Then and Now. Evolution of a Crime* (Brill/Nijhoff 2022).



**Irmgard Marboe** is Professor of International Law at the University of Vienna. In her research she focuses on international investment law, the law of areas beyond national jurisdiction, in particular the law of outer space, and human rights and Islamic law. Her book on *Calculation of Compensation and Damages in International Investment Law* (OUP 2009, 2nd ed. 2017) is widely quoted in academic publications and in international arbitration. She was co-rapporteur of the Islamic Law & International Law Committee of the International Law Association (ILA) and co-authored the book *The Rule of Law, Freedom of Expression and Islamic Law* (Hart Publishing 2017). From 2008 to 2018, she was the director of the “Vienna International Christian-Islamic Summer University”. Since 2008, she is the head of the National Point of Contact (NPOC) for space law of the European Centre for Space Law. In 2016, she received the “Distinguished Services Award” of the International Institute of Space Law. Her book *Legal Aspects of Planetary Defence* (ed., Brill/Nijhoff 2021) received the 2022 Social Sciences Book Award of the International Academy of Astronautics (IAA). Her research and teaching activities abroad include Stanford University (CA, USA) and Western Sydney University (Australia).



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Dr. **Carrie McDougall** teaches and researches international law at the University of Melbourne, specialising in the *ius ad bellum*, international criminal law and international humanitarian law. She returned to academia after nearly a decade working for the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, where she served first as Legal Specialist and Assistant Director of the International Law Section in Canberra and then as Legal Adviser at Australia's Mission to the United Nations in New York. She participated in the Special Working Group on the Crime of Aggression and the Rome Statute Review Conference, is the author of *The Crime of Aggression under the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court* (2nd ed., CUP 2021), is a member of the Council of Advisers of the Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression, and is currently one of a small group of experts advising the Government of Ukraine on the prosecution of crimes of aggression.



Dr. **Astrid Reisinger Coracini** is a *post-doc* lecturer and researcher at the Institute of European, International and Comparative Law at the University of Vienna. Her research focuses on sources of international law, the use of force, international criminal law, and international humanitarian law. She participated in the negotiations of the Special Working Group on the Crime of Aggression and has been a member of the Austrian delegations to the Assembly of States Parties, the first Review Conference, and the Committee for Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. On national level, Dr. Reisinger Coracini was part of the expert groups for the implementation of crimes under international law in the Austrian criminal code and for the implementation of the crime of aggression in the German code of crimes against international law. She is a member of the Council of Advisers of the Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression and serves on the Advisory Boards of the Centre for the Enforcement of Human Rights International and the Austrian Research Centre for Post War Trials.



**Deborah Ruiz Verduzco** is the Executive Director of the Trust Fund for Victims (TFV) at the International Criminal Court (ICC). In this capacity Ms. Ruiz Verduzco is responsible for ensuring the TFV is successfully implementing its mission to give effect to victims' right to reparations (which may take the form of restitution, compensation or rehabilitation), facilitate the implementation of awards made by the ICC against convicted persons and undertake initiatives for the benefit of victims and their families. Through its programmes and activities the TFV aims to contribute to redressing the harm suffered by victims of Rome Statute crimes.



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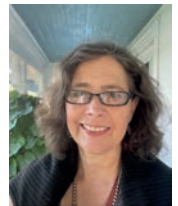
Prof. Dr. **Kirsten Schmalenbach** is Professor of International Law and European Union Law at the Paris-Lodron University Salzburg (PLUS). Before she accepted this position in 2010, she was Law Professor at the Karl-Franzens-University Graz and at the University of Bayreuth. Professor Schmalenbach was Senior Research Fellow at the Berlin Potsdam Research Group “The International Rule of Law – Rise or Decline” (2021) and presently implements the Austrian Science Funds Project “United Nations Tort Law” (2021 to 2024). She extensively published in the legal fields of international institutional law, legal sources of international law (Dörr/Schmalenbach, *A Commentary on the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties*, Springer 2018) as well as responsibility and liability in international organizations and other subjects of international law. In addition, Professor Schmalenbach was co-counsel in proceedings before the PCA and ISCID.



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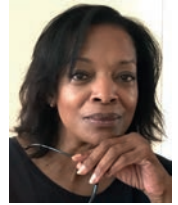


**Jennifer Trahan** is a Professor at NYU's Center for Global Affairs where she directs the Concentration in International Law and Human Rights. She also serves as Convenor of the Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression. She is a leading expert on topics of international law, international justice, and international criminal tribunals. She serves as one of the US representatives to the Use of Force Committee of the International Law Association and holds various positions with the American Branch, including as Vice President. She also served on the Council of Advisers on the Application of the Rome Statute to Cyberwarfare. She additionally is part of a working group advising Ukraine and others on the Special Tribunal for the Crime of Aggression. Her book, *Legal Limits to Security Council Veto Power in the Face of Atrocity Crimes* (CUP 2020) was awarded the “2020 ABILA Book of the Year Award” by the American Branch of the International Law Association.



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**Patricia Viseur Sellers** is an international lawyer. She is the Special Advisor for Slavery Crimes for the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court and the former Special Advisor for Gender. Ms. Sellers is a Visiting Fellow at Kellogg College of the University of Oxford where she teaches international criminal law and human rights law. She is a Practicing Professor at London School of Economics and a Senior Research Fellow at the Human Rights Center of the University of California, Berkeley. She was the Legal Advisor for Gender, Acting Head of the Legal Advisory Section and a prosecutor at the Yugoslav (ICTY) Tribunal from 1994-2007 and the Legal Advisor for Gender at the Rwanda Tribunal (ICTR) from 1995-1999. She developed the legal strategies and was a member of the trial teams of *Akayesu*, *Furundzija*, and *Kunarac*. These landmark decisions remain the pre-imminent legal standards for the interpretation of sexual violence as war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide, torture and enslavement.



Ambassador **Christian Wenaweser** has served as the Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein to the United Nations in New York since 2002. From 2020 to 2022, he led Liechtenstein's efforts at the United Nations to reform the use of the veto in the Security Council (known as the 'Veto Initiative'), which came to fruition when the General Assembly adopted a resolution by consensus in April 2022. Under his leadership, in 2016, Liechtenstein spearheaded the creation of the legal Syria Mechanism (known as the 'IIIM') through the General Assembly to support the investigation and prosecution of international crimes since 2011. From 2009 to 2011, he served as President of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC). From 2004 to 2009, he served as Chairman of the Special Working Group on the Crime of Aggression. Other previously held functions include: Vice-President of the 61st session of the UN General Assembly (2006-2007), Vice-Chair of the Open-Ended Working Group on Security Council Reform (2004-2005), Chairman of the *Ad hoc* Committee on the Scope of Legal Protection under the 1994 Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel (2003-2005), Chairman of the UN General Assembly's Third Committee (2002). Previously, Mr. Wenaweser worked as Counselor and Deputy Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein to the UN and as diplomatic officer in the Office for Foreign Affairs in Liechtenstein. Mr. Wenaweser studied literature, languages, history and philosophy at Zurich University, and diplomacy at the Institut Universitaire de Hautes Etudes Internationales (IUHEI) in Geneva.



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Dr. **Alma Zadić**, LL.M. is Federal Minister of Justice of the Republic of Austria. She was a member of the Austrian Parliament and previously worked as a lawyer in an international law firm in Vienna. Furthermore, she worked at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Organization for Migration and was a research scholar at the Harriman Institute (Columbia University). She completed her doctoral studies in law at the University of Vienna and a postgraduate degree (LL.M.) at Columbia University in New York, USA.



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