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Day 1

6 November
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Opening Remarks

(9:50-10:15)

Toshiya Ueki Professor and Executive Vice President of Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan:
Director of the Center for International Law and Policy (CILP), Tohoku University, Sendai, JAPAN

Session 1

(10:20-12:30)

The Impact of Contemporary Atrocity Crimes on International Criminal Justice -Recent Developments and their Impacts on International Criminal Justice

Chair; Kuniko Ozaki Specially Appointed Professor of Chuo University, Tokyo, Japan/
Specially Appointed Visiting Professor of the CILP, Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan

- | 10:20-10:40 **Adam Górski** Prof. Dr. Hab., Professor of the Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland
 - "Ultimate Lessons for *Ultima Ratio* Court: The Perspective of Recent Substantial Cases before the ICC"
- | 10:40-11:00 **Kyo Arai** Professor of Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan
 - "Judging Military Necessity: The Hague Law Type War Crimes and the ICC"
- | 11:00-11:20 **Hitomi Takemura** Professor of Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo, Japan
 - "Complementarity 3.0?: Dynamic complementarity and Universal Jurisdiction in the Situation of Bangladesh/Myanmar"
- | 11:20-11:40 **Raul C. Pangalangan** Professor of Law, University of the Philippines, Manila, Philippines
 - "The Situation in the Philippines: Jurisdiction and the Legal Consequences of Withdrawal from the Rome Statute"
- | 11:40-12:30 Discussion

Lunch Break

(12:30-14:00)

Session 2

(14:00-16:30)

Jurisdiction and International Cooperation -Various Legal Challenges involved in the Recent Situations

Chair; William Schabas Professor of international law Middlesex University, London, UK

- | 14:00-14:20 **Keiko Ko** Professor of Nanzan University, Nagoya, Japan
 - "Between *Ius Puniendi* and State Sovereignty: Revisiting the Question of the Principle of Complementarity of the ICC and Non-State Parties"
- | 14:20-14:40 **Piotr Hofmański** Prof. Dr. Hab., Professor of Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland:
Director of Krakow Center for International Criminal Justice/
Judge of the Constitutional Chamber of the Kosovo Specialists Chambers
 - "The Role of the UN Security Council: A Straight Path to the Destruction of the System of the Rome Statute. Is It Possible to Repair a Defective Element?"
- | 14:40-15:00 **Claus Kress** Prof. Dr. Hab., Professor of Criminal Law and International Law in the University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany
 - "The Newest Development of ICL in the Field of Aggression Crimes"
- | 15:00-15:20 - Coffee Break -
- | 15:20-15:40 **Mari Takeuchi** Professor of Kobe University, Kobe, Japan
 - "Immunity of State Officials and Prosecutions for International Crimes: A Search for a Coherent Framework"
- | 15:40-16:30 Discussion

Session 3

(10:00-12:10)

International Criminal Justice in a Broader Perspective

–Interaction between ICL and other Areas of International Law

Chair; **Shuichi Furuya** Professor of Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan

- | 10:00-10:20 **William Schabas** Professor of International law Middlesex University, London, UK
 - "International Criminal Justice and the International Court of Justice"
- | 10:20-10:40 **Carsten Stahn** Prof. Dr., Professor of Leiden University, Leiden, the Netherlands/
Queen's University in Belfast, Belfast, Northern Ireland
 - "Do too many Cooks Spoil the Broth? Parallel Situational Engagement of the ICC and the ICJ: on the Phenomenon that the ICC and the ICJ Look into Similar Situations (Myanmar, Ukraine, Palestine) and the Implications for ICL"
- | 10:40-11:00 **Namhee Kwon** Professor of Kansai University, Osaka, Japan
 - "Towards Criminal Accountability for Environmental Destruction: Ecocide in the Context of International Criminal Justice"
- | 11:00-11:20 **Kuniko Ozaki** Specially Appointed Professor of Chuo University, Tokyo, Japan/
Specially Appointed Visiting Professor of the CILP, Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan
 - "International Criminal Justice and International Refugee Law – Are they mutually exclusive or complementary?"
- | 11:20-12:10 Discussion

Lunch Break

(12:10-13:40)

Session 4

(13:40-16:10)

International Criminal Justice in the Current Political Environment

–The Contemporary Political Challenges of International Criminal Justice

Chair; **Claus Kress** Prof. Dr. Hab., Professor of Criminal Law and International Law in the University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany

- | 13:40-14:00 **Ganna Yudkivska** Dr., Chair of the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention/
Former Judge of the European Court of Human Rights in 2010-2022
 - "International Courts: Navigating Political Challenges in Contemporary Conflicts"
- | 14:00-14:20 **Paweł Wiliński** Prof. Dr. Hab., Professor of Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland/
Judge of the Supreme Court of Poland
 - "The Limitations of the ICC's Effectiveness in Cases where Conflict is still Ongoing (Ukraine and Palestine)"
- | 14:20-14:40 **Megumi Ochi** Associate Professor of Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan
 - "The North Wind and the Sun: Procedural Justice in the ICC Arrest Warrant Process"
- | 14:40-15:00 **Shuichi Furuya** Professor of Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan
 - "For Whom the Bell Tolls: Centering Victims in International Criminal Justice"
- | 15:00-15:20 - Coffee Break -
- | 15:20-16:10 Discussion

Closing Remarks

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