

Lunchtime Seminar in Law:

Protection of cultural property during armed conflict: the destruction of buildings dedicated to religion and historical monuments as a war crime

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Abstract

The very first case regarding the war crime of destruction of buildings dedicated to religion and historical monuments is pending before the International Criminal Court. The proceedings are at a very early stage. Yet, the current contribution purport to address a twofold question; First, to examine the possible normative implications (positive and negative) in the fields of international criminal law and cultural heritage, within the broader context of cross fertilization. Second, to highlight the role of expressive value of international judicialization, where the choice of particular cases conveys a particularly symbolic condemnation message that impunity cannot be tolerated for such crimes. The talk will attempt to unravel this problematique under the auspices of the constitutional language of "humanity's law" challenging at the same time, its normative idea, emphasizing its limits and re evaluating its dynamic.

Wednesday, 9 March 2016

12.00 pm – 02.00 pm

Location

University of Luxembourg
Weicker Building
Room B 001 (ground floor)
4, rue Alphonse Weicker
L-2721 Kirchberg

Registration

- Free seminar
- Maximum number of attendees: 80
- Lunch is planned for registered participants.
- Registration mandatory via Eventbrite:
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