

Press release

Following in the footsteps of a humanitarian

Luxembourg, 10 July 2022 – This summer the Luxembourg Red Cross' Humanitarian Aid is launching two fun activities to discover International Humanitarian Law, in addition to the 'Law in War' thematic trail at the National Museum of Military History (NMMH) in Diekirch.

The inauguration by Minister Franz Fayot of the 'Law in War' trail on the Law of Armed Conflict at the National Museum of Military History in Diekirch on 1 July marked the opening of the Luxembourg Red Cross Humanitarian Aid's activities for the summer of 2022.

The tour introduces you to the key norms of the law of war, emphasising the importance of its respect in contemporary armed conflicts through an audio guide available in Luxembourgish, French, and English. Since 10 July, the activities "In the footsteps of a humanitarian" in Colpach-Bas have been added to this tour. They offer a simulation of these standards: an Escape Game and guided tours inside four Sahel Shelters (emergency shelters deployed in Niger, Mali, Burkina Faso and Chad) which will allow you to familiarise yourself with the activities of the Luxembourg Red Cross Humanitarian Aid.

About the Escape Game

"The war has been raging in the country for two years now. With the fighting intensifying and getting closer, you must help the affected population. The situation is urgent. Awake the humanitarian spirit in you!

The Red Cross Humanitarian Aid invites you to discover its new activity at the Colpach castle through humanitarian deployment in wartime. From clue to clue, you will succeed in your rescue mission and discover, in the process, many notions of international humanitarian law.

Who is it for?

The adventure is open to everyone, young and old (from 12 years old accompanied by an adult, up to 77 years old), in groups of 3 to 5 people, with the level of difficulty being adapted to the group. It will be offered in French and Luxembourgish. The game lasts about an hour.

When will it take place?

The dates are available on the website

(<u>https://www.linscription.com/pro/activite.php?P1=104202</u>) and are currently as follows: 10/07 (10am, 12pm, 2pm, 4pm), 30/07 (2pm, 4pm, 6pm), 31/07 (2pm, 4pm, 6pm), 13/08 (3pm, 5pm, 7pm), 16/08 (10am, 2pm, 4pm), 27/08 (3pm, 5pm, 7pm). New dates may be added as needed.

How to register?

At this link: https://www.linscription.com/pro/activite.php?P1=104202



About the humanitarian housing exhibition

An exhibition on humanitarian housing is available right next to the escape game venue. In addition to discovering the shelters built within the framework of Humanitarian Aid projects in the Sahel, guided tours are offered to explore the different issues at the very source of the need for such shelters. Particular emphasis will be placed on the conduct of war and the impact of the non-respect of international humanitarian law on the affected populations. This visit in French and Luxembourgish lasts 30 minutes and can be combined with the escape game.

The Colpach castle's grounds date from the beginning of the 20th century with sculptures by various 19th century artists such as Maillol, Despiau, Bourdelle and Kolbe, meaning that you can really make a day of it to discover the magic that it has to offer. (https://rehabilitation.lu/fr/le-site/).