## 11th Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot (2013)

(An Inter-University Competition for Asia-Pacific Region)

Co-organized by the Hong Kong Red Cross and the International Committee of the Red Cross in collaboration with The University of Hong Kong and The Chinese University of Hong Kong

## **Activities on March 15, 2013**

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement is dedicated to preventing and alleviating human suffering in warfare and in emergencies such as epidemics, floods and earthquakes. The Movement is governed by seven Fundamental Principles, including humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity and universality. While the IHL are international rules to limit the effects of armed conflict for humanitarian reasons, we hope that participants taking part in the IHL Moot could also go beyond the Mooting and have reflection on humanitarian issues. Also through the interactive and exploration activities, participants are expected to exchange their knowledge and experience on humanitarian issues. Two programs are specially organized this year on March 15, 2013 (Friday).

### (A) Exploration Activities for Humanity & IHL

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Gathering time	Non-local Participants: 09:15 at lobby of Panda Hotel	
	Local Participants: 10:15 at event venue	
Programme Time	10:30-14:00	
Programme	香港大學 The University of Hong Kong	
Venue	香港薄扶林 Pokfulam, Hong Kong	
	[Location Map - http://www.maps.hku.hk/]	
Dress Code	Smart Casual Wear (Shorts, Dress, skirt and slippers are not recommended as	
	participants will sit on the floor and have some light activities)	
	** The Dress code for Keynote Seminar in the afternoon is smart casual wear. As we	
	shall proceed to the seminar venue immediately after the exploration activities,	
	participants could see if you will bring along clothing to change after the	
	activities but it is not compulsory as long as you are in a neat and tidy attire.	
Remarks	1. Students from participating teams (mooters and researchers)	
	You will be arranged to join the activity.	
	• Those from teams entering Quarter-final Round on March 15, 2013 may opt	
	out if really required. (Please reconfirm your participation on March 14,	
	2013 evening after knowing the General Rounds results.)	
	On the other hand, Quarter-final Round participants are still <u>required</u> to join	
	the Keynote Seminar in the afternoon on March 15, 2013. Transportation will	
	be arranged from Panda Hotel to Keynote Seminar venue at 14:00 on March	
	15, 2013.	
	2. Observers & Team Coaches	
	• Due to limited capacity, we are sorry for being unable to accommodate you	

based on the existing enrolment.

- You may check with our colleagues on March 14, 2013 evening on seat availability after teams entering Quarter-final Round have updated on their participation.
- For observers and team coaches not able to be included in the exploration activities in the end, you can have free time on March 15, 2013. For those who have enrolled for the Keynote Seminar, transportation will be arranged from Panda Hotel to Keynote Seminar venue at 14:00 on March 15, 2013.

#### **Objectives:**

- To facilitate participants to explore humanitarian issues and Red Cross' humanitarian actions
- To encourage exchange of humanity concept and humanitarian issues knowledge among participants studying IHL

#### **Expected outcomes:**

- 1. To deepen the understanding on the concept of humanity
- 2. To arouse participants' awareness on humanitarian issues
- 3. To reflect the linkage between oneself as university student and humanitarian issues

#### **Tips to Participants:**

- 1. Program content will focus more on the concept of 'Humanity', with links to IHL principles as relevant.
- 2. It is an INTERATIVE program that participants are expected to contribute active participation and reflection.
- 3. Participants will take part in different exploration activities and play in different roles.
- 4. Participants will be requested to share their own feelings and point of views after the activities.
- 5. There will be no absolute answer on questions to be raised, but simply a free sharing among participants.
- 6. The programme is held by University volunteers from International Humanitarian Service Leadership Programme of Hong Kong Red Cross. Your active support and participation is important to them.
- 7. Your comments are welcome after the programme, which will help improve the programme in future.

#### **Organizer:**

University volunteers from International Humanitarian Service Leadership Programme (ISLP)



**Brief introduction of ISLP:** International Humanitarian Service Leadership Programme (ISLP) nurtures university students as youth humanitarian leaders with global humanitarian vision and actions within their ability. The program facilitates students to develop caring and concern projects on humanitarian issues. Since its inception in 2005, ISLP has collaborated with numerous universities in Hong Kong and National Red Cross / Red Crescent Societies in other regions to facilitate participants to concern humanitarian issues including refugees, landmine victims and HIV/AIDS patients.

Time	Programme Rundown
10:30-10:45	Reception
10:45-11:15	Briefing and Ice-breaking activity
11:15-11:55	Program 1: Red Vs Black
	-To explore the Humanitarian Leadership Qualities
	-To handle the group dilemma
11:55-12:35	Program 2: Global Village
	-To broaden the Global Humanitarian Vision
	-To enhance awareness on the current international humanitarian issues
12:35-12:45	Break
12:45-13:35	Program 3: Human Library
	- To share Humanitarian Voluntary Service experience
	- To raise the awareness on youth power
13:35-14:00	Sharing, Evaluation & Photo Taking

#### (B) Seminar on IHL

Gathering time	Non-local Participants at Hotel : 13:45 at lobby of Panda Hotel	
	Local Participants: 14:45 at event venue	
ProgrammeTime	15:00-19:15	
Programme Venue	Large Moot Court, 2/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower, Centennial Campus, HKU [Location Map - http://www.maps.hku.hk/]	
Dress Code	Smart Casual *Teams who are eligible to enter Quarter-final Round should put on proper clothing for the competition that would be held shortly after the seminar.,	
Remarks	• Participants of the Seminar will include participating team members who have enrolled for the seminar, as well as legal professionals and parties interested in IHL.	

#### Aims:

• To further enlighten the understanding and application of IHL among all participants of the IHL Moot, as well as legal professionals, academic scholars or parties interested in IHL.

Time	Programme Rundown
14:30-15:00	Registration & Refreshment
15:00-15:05	Welcoming Speech
15:05-15:35	Topic (1) "Challenges faced by Mixed Courts in the Trial of International Crimes" Speaker: Judge Chang-ho Chung Pre-Trial Chamber, Extraordinary Chambers of the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC)
15:35-15:45	Q & A
15:45-16:15	Topic (2) "IHL and Weapons: Recent Developments on Conventional and Nuclear Arms" Speaker: Mr Louis Maresca, Legal Adviser, Arms Unit, Legal Division, ICRC
16:15-16:25	Q & A
16:25-16:55	Topic (3) "The Admissibility of Poisoned Evidence in International Criminal Courts" Speaker: Mr Michael Crowley, Senior Lecturer, School of Law & Justice, Edith Cowan University
16:55-17:05	Q & A
17:05-17:15	Souvenir Presentation & Photo Taking

<sup>\*</sup> All participants are welcome to stay after the Seminar to enjoy more drinks and canapés served outside the Moot Court up to 18:15.

<sup>\*</sup> Participants with meal tickets may have their meals at the New Union Restaurant and must be back at the Moot Court by 18:15