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9th Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot (2011)

(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, City University of Hong Kong and the Chinese University of Hong Kong

Activities on March 4, 2011

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 students participating in the IHL Moot could also go beyond the Mooting and have reflection on humanitarian issues and the importance of protecting humanity through interactive and exploration activities as well as knowledge sharing with experts knowledgeable in IHL. Two programs are specially organized this year on 4 March 2011 (Friday).

(A) Exploration Activities for Humanity & IHL

University Student + Humanity **大學生+人道**

Gathering time	Non-local Participants : 08:15 at lobby of Panda Hotel Local Participants : 09:15 at event venue
Programme Time	09:30-16:00
Programme Venue	Kwun Tong Community Centre (17, Tsui Ping Road, Kwun Tong) (觀塘社區中心 - 觀塘翠屏道17號) [Location Map - http://www.map.gov.hk/static/t/en/tnHLQ0TyMw.html]
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) <i>** The Dress code for Keynote Seminar in the late 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.</i>

Remarks	<p>1. Students from participating teams (mooters and researchers)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You will be arranged to join the activity. • Those from teams entering Semi-final Round on 5 March 2011 may opt out if really required. <i>(Please reconfirm your participation on March 3, 2011 evening after knowing the General Rounds results.)</i> • On the other hand, Semi-final round participants are still required to join the Keynote Seminar in the late afternoon on 4 March 2011. Transportation will be arranged from Panda Hotel to Keynote Seminar venue at 4:00 p.m. on 4 March 2011. <p>2. Observers & Team Coaches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 3, 2011 evening on seat availability after teams entering Semi-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 4 March. For those who have enrolled for the Keynote Seminar, transportation will be arranged from Panda Hotel to Keynote Seminar venue at 4:00 p.m. on 4 March 2011.
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Aims :

- Allow better understanding on humanitarian issues and Red Cross' humanitarian actions
- Strengthen the power of humanity among university students through knowledge and experience exchange between participants studying IHL and volunteers having direct experiences in serving people suffered from humanitarian issues

Expected outcomes:

1. To deepen the understanding on the concept of humanity
2. To arouse participants' awareness on humanitarian issues
3. To reflect the relationship of being university students and humanitarian issues

Tips to Participants:

1. Programme content will more focus on the concept of "Humanity", with links to IHL principles as relevant.
2. It is not a lecture, but more a reflection activity and requires active participation.
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 Program 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 various student initiatives which concern various issues such as refugees, landmine victims, HIV/AIDS patients and tsunami victims.

Time	Programme Rundown
09:30-09:40	Reception and Briefing
09:40-10:30	<u>Program 1: Global Village</u> -To broaden the International Humanitarian Vision and care to the current international humanitarian issues
10:30-11:45	<u>Program 2: Life Exploration</u> -To explore the value of life -To explore the importance of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) in protecting human life
11:45-12:00	Break
12:00-13:15	<u>Program 3: Humanitarian Lunch</u> -A reflection of helping people and being helped -A reflection of the relationship between humanitarian issues and participants
13:15-14:30	<u>Program 4: IHL Exploring Activity & Sharing of Overseas Services</u> (Each participant will experience one of the below activities.) 1. Humanity in Conflicts - Agent Orange -To explore humanitarian issues on use of Agent Orange -To experience the negative consequences of being Agent Orange Victims -To share the experience in visiting Agent Orange Victims 2. Humanity in Conflicts – Refugees - To experience the role of refugees in war time -Experience Sharing on refugees visit by ISLP students -To share the reflection of how to encounter this humanitarian issue locally
14:30-15:00	Break/Tea Time
15:00-16:00	Sharing, Debriefing & Phototaking
16:00	Transportation will be available to the venue of Keynote Seminar

(B) Keynote Seminar

Gathering time	Non-local Participants at Hotel : 16:00 at lobby of Panda Hotel Local Participants : 17:00 at event venue
Programme Time	17:00-19:00
Programme Venue	Mallesons Stephen Jacques (13/F, Gloucester Tower, The Landmark, 15 Queen's Road Central, Central.) [Location Map - http://www.mallesons.com/our_firm/5501519W-06.htm]
Dress Code	Smart Casual
Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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
17:00 -17: 25	Tea Reception & Registration
17:25 – 17:30	Welcoming Speech
17:30-18:00	<u>Topic (1)</u> “The ICRC and the national repression of war crimes and other serious violations of IHL” <i>Speaker:</i> <i>Mr Antoine Bouvier, Legal Adviser, International Committee of the Red Cross (Geneva)</i>
18:00-18:10	Q & A
18:10-18:40	<u>Topic (2)</u> “The role of international tribunals in the prosecution and punishment of war crimes” <i>Speaker:</i> <i>Mr Michael Crowley, Senior Lecturer, School of Law & Justice, Edith Cowan University</i>
18:40-18:50	Q & A
18:50-19:00	Souvenir Presentation and Photo Taking

** All participants are welcome to stay after the Seminar to enjoy more drinks and canapes up to 8pm.*

** For non-local participants, transportation will be available back to the Panda Hotel after 8 pm.*

** For non-local participants, if your team wish to take your own transportation back to the Hotel, please complete the Reply Slip below for our better arrangement of transportation.*

Reply Slip

(Please complete and return this form to us on or before March 1, 2011 by e-mail to ihl@redcross.org.hk)

Name of Participating University: _____

(please indicate with a “✓” if applicable)

- Our whole team requires transportation back to the Hotel after the Seminar.
- Our whole team will take our own transportation back to the Hotel after the Seminar.