



*Geoffrey Nice Foundation on*  
**Law, History, Politics, and Society**  
**in the context of Mass Atrocities**

**Master Class**

on

**“Mapping, Documenting and Prosecuting Mass Atrocities”**

to be held at

**the Inter-University Centre in Dubrovnik, Croatia**  
**from 01 to 12 July 2019**

organised by

**Geoffrey Nice Foundation**

in partnership with

**Transitional Justice Working Group (Seoul, South Korea)**  
**and Justice for Iran (London, UK)**

**Theme:** Mapping Really Matters: Mapping Crimes Against Humanity: Applications in International Criminal Justice and Technical Methodologies

**Dates:** First two weeks of July, 2019 (01 to 12 July)

**Location:** Inter-University Center, Dubrovnik, Croatia

**Organiser:** Geoffrey Nice Foundation, The Hague, NL

**Partners:** Transitional Justice Working Group (TJWG); Justice for Iran; Inter-University Centre for Post-Graduate Studies

**Course directors:**

Sir Geoffrey Nice QC, Inner Temple, UK

Dr Nevenka Tromp, University of Amsterdam, NL

Sarah Son, TJWG, South-Korea

**Summary:**

Since 2014 the Geoffrey Nice Foundation has held annual master classes at the Inter-University Centre in Dubrovnik, Croatia. The master classes are designed to bring together groups of international participants at current or recently qualified post-graduate level (MA, PhD and Post-PhD) in the fields of law, history, sociology, politics, international relations, journalism, European studies or related subjects, to examine various topics relating to mass atrocities and aspects of international law.

The key objective of the Foundation is to advance a multidisciplinary understanding of International Criminal Justice delivered by courts, truth commissions and in other ways. The Foundation seeks to achieve its goals through training and education programmes, together with other activities, which embrace legal, historical, political and sociological disciplines and their respective methodologies. It operates with students, researchers and academics of these disciplines from different countries, studying and working together. The Foundation seeks to build an international network of individuals with shared interests and complementary knowledge and experience.

Past master class lecturers have included judges and lawyers from international courts and tribunals, former presidents of states, academics, and representatives from NGOs and charities. The master classes encourage an open and inclusive environment and use a combination of teaching styles: traditional lectures; participatory activities; question and answer sessions; guided and participant-initiated/led group work with defined objectives and outputs; working lunches and informal discussions with faculty; case examinations; and film and documentary screenings. The master classes are held under Chatham House Rules.

The 2019 Master Class will focus first on the critical role that mapping atrocities and their subsequent investigation has in bringing war criminals to trial and then on the prosecution of the gravest of the world's crimes:

1. **Mapping** of human rights abuses and mass atrocities – this topic will explore the use of geospatial mapping in documentation, advocacy and international criminal justice. The case studies will include mapping projects on the grave human rights abuses in Iran, North Korea, Syria and Myanmar.
2. **Documenting** human rights abuses of mass atrocities before, during and after the conflict. Can NGOs and international organisations compel governments and international criminal courts to act based on overwhelming evidence of crimes being documented by independent and impartial research groups? The seven case studies are listed below.
3. **Prosecuting** mass atrocities and grave human rights abuses as war crimes has been happening in recent times but only since creation in 1993 of the two '*Ad Hoc Tribunals*' for Rwanda and the Former Yugoslavia. Despite the existence of a permanent international criminal court (ICC) since 2002, the number of prosecutions lags way behind the realities on the ground of international crimes that really need to be investigated and prosecuted. Do exercises of mapping and documenting mass atrocities succeed in getting indictments laid and prosecutions brought at international criminal courts of individuals responsible for the commission of crimes? Do criminal trials become valuable documentation centres for those who seek for different sorts of justice from what retributive justice can offer. The case studies include the analysis of the International Criminal Court for Former Yugoslavia (ICTY) and the Extraordinary Chambers on the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC).

#### **CASE STUDIES:**

1. Cambodia
2. ex-Yugoslavia
3. Iran
4. North Korea
5. Myanmar
6. Vietnam

#### **FACULTY:**

1. Dr Nevenka Tromp, University of Amsterdam, NL
2. Sir Geoffrey Nice QC, Inner Temple, UK
3. Sarah Son, TJWG, South Korea
4. Youk Chhang, Documentation Center for Cambodia, Cambodia
5. Remco Breuker, University of Leiden, NL
6. The Rt Hon Lord Bonython LLD, Scotland
7. General Sir Nick Parker KCB CBE, UK
8. Donald Ferencz, Planethood Foundation, UK
9. Nicholas Vetch, Big Yellow, UK
10. Hamid Sabi, London, UK
11. Andrew Cayley CMG QC, Director of Service Prosecutions, UK
12. Sonja Biserko, Helsinki Committee for Human Rights of Serbia, Serbia
13. Aarif Abrahms, International Criminal Lawyer, Manchester, UK
14. Francis Wade, Human Rights Scholar, UK
15. Dr. Sunčana Roksandić, University of Zagreb, Croatia
16. Kaylee Uland, The 88 Project Vietnam, USA

17. Shadi Sadr, Justice for Iran, London, UK
18. Shadi Amin, Justice for Iran, London UK
19. Benedict Rogers, Christian Solidarity
20. Regina Paulose, Lawyer and Human Rights Advocate, USA
21. Arthur Green, University of British Columbia, Canada

## **SCHEDULE:**

### Monday, July 1

- 09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction
- 10:00 – 10:15 – Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 – Sir Geoffrey and Nevenka Tromp “Evidence at International Criminal Trials”
- 11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break
- 11:30 – 12:30 – Discussion
- 12:30 – 13:30 – Sarah Son and Shadi Sadr “Mapping Mass Atrocities”
- 13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK
- 16:00 – 19:00 – Practicum/Discussion

### Tuesday, July 2

#### Iran Casus

- 09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction
- 10:00 – 10:15 – Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 – History of the Conflict
- 09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction
- 10:00 – 10:15 – Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 – History of the Conflict
- 11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break
- 11:30 – 12:30 – Documenting Human Rights Abuses in Iran
- 12:30 – 13:30 – Mapping Human Rights Abuses in Iran
- 13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK
- 16:00 – 19:00 – Practicum/Discussion

### Wednesday, July 3

#### North Korea Casus

- 09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction
- 10:00 – 10:15 – Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 – History of the Conflict
- 11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break
- 11:30 – 12:30 – Documenting the Human Rights Abuses in North Korea
- 12:30 – 13:30 – Mapping Human Rights Abuses in North Korea
- 13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK
- 16:00 – 19:00 – Practicum/Discussion

### Thursday, July 4

#### Myanmar Casus

- 09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction
- 10:00 – 10:15 – Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 – History of the Conflict
- 11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break
- 11:30 – 12:30 – Documenting the Human Rights Abuses of Rohingyas
- 12:30 – 13:30 – Mapping Human Rights Abuses of Rohingyas
- 13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK
- 16:00 – 19:00 – Practicum/Discussion

Friday, July 5

09:00 – 10:00 – Documenting and Investigating Mass Atrocities in Syria

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:00 – Discussion

11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Documenting and Investigating Mass Atrocities in Vietnam

12:30 – 13:30 – Discussion

13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK

16:00 – 19:00 – Group presentations of Avernia – a mock case

WEEKEND, July 6&7 : TWO DAYS TRAINING

Monday, July 8

Cambodia Casus

09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:00 – Prosecuting Mass Atrocities in Cambodia

11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Documenting Mass Atrocities in Cambodia

12:30 – 13:30 – Mapping Mass Atrocities in Cambodia

13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK

16:00 – 17:00 – Plenary discussion

17:00 – 19:00 – Practicum/Discussion

Tuesday, July 9

09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:00 – Prosecuting Mass Atrocities at the International Criminal Tribunal for  
Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)

11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Investigation of Mass Atrocities at the ICTY

12:30 – 13:30 – Judging Mass Atrocities at the ICTY

13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK

16:00 – 19:00 – Film Seminar

Wednesday, July 10

09:00 – 10:00 – Future of International Criminal Justice

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:00 – Post-Conflict Bosnia and Herzegovina and the ICTY

11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Post-Conflict Serbia and the ICTY

12:30 – 13:30 – Post-Conflict Croatia and the ICTY

13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK

16:00 – 19:00 – Film Seminar

Thursday, July 11

09:00 – 10:00 – Introduction

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:00 – Prosecuting Mass Atrocities at the ICTY

11:00 – 11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Investigation of Mass Atrocities at the ICTY

12:30 – 13:30 – Judging Mass Atrocities at the ICTY

13:30 – 16:00 – LUNCH BREAK

16:00 – 19:00 – Film Seminar

Friday, July 12

09:00 – 10:00 – Future of the International Criminal Justice

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 12:00 – Global Justice: Business and Human Rights

12:00 – 12:30 – Coffee Break

12:30 – 13:30 – Investigation of Mass Atrocities at the ICTY

13:30 LUNCH