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Programme

- 1400 **Welcome**
Aurélie Roche-Mair *Director of the Hague Office, International Bar Association (IBA)*
- 1410 **Keynote address**
Judge Ivana Hrdličková *President of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon (STL)*
- 1430 **Panel 1**
Trials *in absentia*: human rights law & the judicial process
Speakers
Dr Brianne McGonigle Leyh *Associate Professor, Netherlands Institute of Human Rights, Utrecht University;*
Co-Director of the Utrecht Centre for International Studies
François Falletti *Attorney; former Chief Prosecutor of the Paris Court of Appeals*
Dr Guido Acquaviva *Deputy Registrar of the Kosovo Specialist Chambers*
Geoffrey Robertson QC *Barrister, founder and joint head of Doughty Street Chambers; former President of the UN's Special Court for Sierra Leone*
Moderator
Dr Mark Ellis *Executive Director of the IBA*
- 1545 **Coffee break**

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Panel 2

Effective representation & ethics in trials *in absentia*

Speakers

Héleyn Uñac *Deputy Chief, Defence Office, STL*

Thomas Hannis *Defence Counsel, STL; former Senior Prosecution Trial Attorney, ICTY*

Toby Cadman *Barrister, 9Bedford Row International; Bangladesh War Crimes Tribunal*

Dr Kinga Tibori-Szabó *Legal Officer, Legal Representative of Victims*

Moderator

Anne-Marie Verwiel *Attorney; expert on international criminal law, co-author STLBlog*

1730

Reception

Participation is free of charge. However, prior registration is required to attend the event (or part of the event). Kindly RSVP to ensure your place by sending the name and email of all attendees to

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