SYMPOSIUM ON THE LEGACY OF THE
INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA (ICTR)
6-7 NOVEMBER 2014, ARUSHA TANZANIA
DRAFT AGENDA (AS OF 31 JULY 2014)

Day One – Thursday, 6 November 2014

08:00-09:00 Registration

09:00-09:30 Opening Session

- Welcome Address
- Keynote Address by distinguished guest

09:30-12:00 Panel 1 Strategies for Streamlining Cases and Case Management at the International Level

Potential Topics to be addressed:
- Hiring and Retention of Qualified Staff
- Evidence Cataloguing and Preservation
- Digitalisation of Investigations/Evidence
- Joinder & Severance of Cases
- Impact of Translation on Case Management
- Trial Management
- Effective and efficient judgment drafting strategies

12:00-13:30 LUNCH AT THE CONFERENCE VENUE

13:30-16:00 Panel 2 Assessment of Evidence

Potential Topics to be addressed:
- Testimony from victims and other highly traumatised witnesses
  - Ensuring sensitive and proper use of evidence from victims of sexual violence, children, and elderly victims.
- Witness Collusion/Tampering
- Accomplice/Detainee Testimony
- Allegations of Inducements or Promises
- Familiarisation with Culture for Investigators, Legal Teams, and Fact-finders
- Use of Domestic Court Records
- Circumstantial Evidence
Potential topics to be addressed:
- Reliance Upon and Complications with State Cooperation
  - Issues with the State that is the subject of the Tribunal’s jurisdiction
    - Securing cooperation within limits of the mandate
  - Host Country Issues
    - Privileges and immunities and visa issues
    - Operational security including protection of witness
  - Third State Cooperation Issues
    - cooperation on tracking fugitives
    - obtaining witness testimony and other evidence
    - enforcement of sentences
    - relocation of witnesses, acquitted persons and convicted-released persons
- Enforcing Witness Protection Measures
- Referral of Cases to National Jurisdictions
- Court Administration within Broader Organisation Rules & Regulations
- Evolution of International Tribunals’ Mandates Including Move Towards Complementarity
- Partnerships to provide treatment and support to victims

Day Two – Friday, 7 November 2014

08:30-09:45 Panel 3 Cooperation of Domestic Justice Mechanisms with Regional and International Courts (Continued)

Plenary discussion following from presentations made at the end of day one.

09:45-10:00 Tea Break

10:00-12:30 Panel 4 International Fair Trial & Detention Standards

Potential topics to be addressed:
- International Standards for Detention
  - conditions of detention
  - access of family and counsel
- Language Issues and Effect on Fair Trial Rights
- Effective Disclosure Systems
- Length of Pre-Trial Detention/Alleged Refusal of Remedies
- Planning for Acquittals and Release After Completion of Sentence in the Host Country
Specificity of Notice of Charges

12:30-14:00 Lunch at the Conference Venue

14:00-16:30 Panel 5 Capacity Building and Outreach as Part of the Legacy

Potential topics to be addressed:

- Impact and Effectiveness of ICTR Outreach Programmes
  - For victims and witnesses testifying before an international tribunal
    - Clinics for victims and witnesses
    - Mental health services for victims and witnesses
    - Witness protection efforts (linked to panel 3)
  - Youth education efforts
- Capacity Building Efforts
  - Training of judges, lawyers, and court officers by ICTR officials
  - Impact of the ICTR on evolution of rule of law
- Impact of the Tribunal on the Region
- UN training of local and international police forces
- Arusha Staff Association/ICTR Community Outreach
- Impact of the Tribunal on the Host City/Country of the Tribunal
- Dealing with Victims Reparations When Not Within the Mandate

16:30-17:45 Panel 6 Evolution of Defence Systems in International Tribunals

Potential topics to be addressed:

- Defence Counsel as Part of the Institutional Structure or as an Independent Entity
- Administration of Defence Teams/Financial Implications of Different Administrative Structures
- Equality of Arms
- Disciplinary Action Mechanisms for All Counsel
- Immunity and its Effect on Counsel

17:45-18:15 Closing Session

Closing Address on the Lasting Impact of the ICTR on International Justice after the Closure of the Ad Hoc Tribunals

19:00 Reception/Dinner