# 16 November Conference on Tribunal's Global Legacy concludes in The Hague

The ICTY Global Legacy Conference brought together over 350 leading academics, international judges and practitioners, state representatives and members of civil society.

The Tribunal's then-president, Judge Patrick Robinson, spoke of the "rich and fertile forum for intellectually challenging and stimulating discussions about the global impact of the work of the Tribunal," that the conference had provided.

During the two-day conference, participants explored the impact of the Tribunal's work on international humanitarian law and international criminal procedure, as well as the potential of its jurisprudence to shape the future of global justice and the advancement of human rights. Dynamic panel discussions were followed by an opportunity for the audience to put questions to the panellists.

The conference was made possible through the generosity of the governments of the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Switzerland and the Republic of Korea, as well as the Municipality of The Hague and the Open Society Justice Initiative.

Judge Robinson used his opening remarks to pay tribute to the Tribunal's first president, Judge Antonio Cassese, "a giant in international humanitarian law and international criminal law" who had a "tremendous influence on the foundational jurisprudence of the Tribunal." Judge Cassese passed away on 21 October 2011.

#### 17 November

New Tribunal president and vice-president take office

On 17 November, Judges Theodor Meron and Carmel Agius became, respectively, president and vice-president of the Tribunal.

President Meron issued a <u>statement</u> saying he was "honoured to assume the Presidency of the ICTY today for a second time."

The new president stressed that "much remains to be done as the Tribunal completes its mandate...The Tribunal is still exceptionally busy, with proceedings ongoing against 35 persons...I will be working closely with relevant stakeholders to ensure that these proceedings are concluded in a timely fashion while upholding the highest standards of fairness."

President Meron concludes by saying that, while "horrific war-time atrocities appear throughout recorded history", the past two decades have seen a significant change, as the international community has shown a strong commitment to ending impunity for such acts. "The Tribunal is the manifestation of this commitment; its successes would not be possible without the continued support of the international community. I know I speak for all judges and staff in expressing gratitude for this assistance, and in reiterating our pledge that the Tribunal will continue to serve as an embodiment of the international community's noblest aspirations for justice."

President Meron also issued a statement honouring his predecessor, Judge Robinson.

"I am very grateful for the opportunity to honour and thank Judge Patrick Robinson for his distinguished service as President of our Tribunal", said President Meron. "Over the last three years, Judge Robinson has been a remarkable leader, ably guiding our institution with dedication and purpose."

### 17 November

Trial Chamber orders Mladić medical examination

Trial Chamber I has <u>ordered</u> the Registry to appoint a medical expert in order to conduct a complete medical examination of Ratko Mladić. The report is to be submitted no later than Tuesday, 6 December 2011, in time for the next Status Conference in the case.

The Chamber found that "[a] full report on the accused's health will assist the Chamber (...) to better assess whether and to what extent his health condition could affect the preparation of the upcoming trial. Additionally, the examination will allow the Chamber to understand the actual current condition of the accused's health, thereby permitting it to better evaluate and decide on any potential future motions or requests made directly or in relation to this topic."

The next Status Conference in the case is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 8 December 2011, at 16:00.

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#### **18 November**

Rašić contempt case: trial rescheduled

A recent scheduling <u>order</u> has changed the date for the commencement of the contempt case against Jelena Rašić to 23 January 2012. The pre-trial conference will be held on the same day.

Rašić, a former case manager on Milan Lukić's Defence team, is charged with five counts of contempt of court for allegedly bribing witnesses into making false statements. One of the witnesses in question, Zuhdija Tabaković, was in March 2010 sentenced to three months' imprisonment after pleading guilty to contempt charges.

#### COURTROOM SCHEDULE: 28 NOVEMBER – 9 DECEMBER

Public proceedings are broadcast with a 30-minute delay on the ICTY website.

MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER	Courtroom I Courtroom II	14:15 – 19:00 14:15 – 19:00	Karadžić Stanišić & Simatović	Trial Trial
	Courtroom III	11:00 – 13:45	Pećanac	Pre-trial Conference
TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER	Courtroom I	09:00 - 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
	Courtroom II	09:00 – 13:45	Stanišić & Simatović	Trial
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WEDNESDAY 30 NOVEMBER	Courtroom I	09:00 – 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
	Courtroom II	09:00 – 13:45	Stanišić & Simatović	Trial
	Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45	Pećanac	Trial
THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER	Courtroom I	09:00 - 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
	Courtroom III	09:00 - 13:45	Pećanac	Trial
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FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER	Courtroom I	09:00 – 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
MONDAY 5 DECEMBER	Courtroom I	09:00 - 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
	Courtroom II	09:00 - 13:45	Tolimir	Status Conference
	Courtroom III	09:00 - 13:45	Stanišić & Župljanin	Trial
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	Courtroom I	09:00 – 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER	Courtroom II	14:15 – 19:00	Stanišić & Simatović	Trial
	Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45	Stanišić & Župljanin	Trial
WEDNESDAY 7 DECEMBER	Courtroom I	09:00 - 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
	Courtroom II	09:00 - 13:45	Stanišić & Simatović	Trial
	Courtroom III	09:00 - 13:45	Stanišić & Župljanin	Trial
THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER	Courtroom I	09:00 – 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
		16:00 – 18:00	Mladić	Further appearance followed by a Status Conference
	Courtroom II	09:00 - 13:45	Stanišić & Simatović	Trial
	Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45	Stanišić & Župljanin	Trial
FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER	Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45	Stanišić & Župljanin	Trial

## **FACTS & FIGURES**

#### **161 INDIVIDUALS INDICTED**

Since the very first hearing (a deferral request in the Tadić case) on 8 November 1994, the Tribunal has indicted a total of 161 individuals, and has already completed proceedings with regard to 126 of them: 13 have been acquitted, 64 sentenced (one is awaiting transfer, 26 have been transferred, 34 have served their term, and three died while serving their sentence), 13 have had their cases transferred to local courts.

- Total number of accused whose proceedings have been **126** completed.
- Another 36 cases have been terminated (either because 36 indictments were withdrawn or because the accused died, before or after transfer to the Tribunal).
- Proceedings are on-going with regard to 35 accused: 17 are at the appeals stage, 16 are currently on trial, and two are at the pre-trial stage.
- A further 33 individuals have been or are the subject of contempt proceedings.

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aims to facilitate the transfer of knowledge and materials from the ICTY to legal professionals in the former Yugoslavia, thereby enhancing the capacity of judiciaries in the region to handle complex war crimes cases.

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- Total number of pages of ICTY court hearing audio 62,000 material transcribed into B/C/S to date.
- Total number of transcript pages delivered to the regional 18,500 judiciaries between October 2010 and September 2011.
- Total number of pages publicly available on the ICTY 42,000 Court Records Database to date: http://icr.icty.org/
  - Total number of legal professionals from regional judiciaries who have so far received training on 157 searching and accessing publicly available ICTY material.

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