

Journal

12 November 2021

**INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT
TWENTIETH SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF STATES PARTIES
THE HAGUE, 6 – 11 DECEMBER 2021**

Forthcoming official meetings^{1 2}

Monday, 6 December 2021

First plenary meeting

- Opening of the session
- Silent prayer or meditation
- Adoption of the agenda
- Appointment of the Credentials Committee
- Organization of work
- States in arrears
- Report on the activities of the Court
- Report of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims
- Report on the Review of the International Criminal Court and the Rome Statute system
- Report on the activities of the Bureau
- Election of Bureau members
- Election of the members of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims
- Election of the members of the Advisory Committee on nominations of judges

10:00 – 13:00.....King Willem Alexander

Meeting of the Credentials Committee^{3 4}

12:00 – 12:30.....Antarctica

Second plenary meeting

- General Debate

15:00 – 18:00.....King Willem Alexander

¹ Unless otherwise specified, the meetings are open to States Parties, non-States Parties (Observer States and invited States), the Court, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations and other observers and participants as defined in rules 92 and 93 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of States Parties.

² All official meeting times are in Central European time zone (CET).

³ Immediately following the adjournment of the plenary.

⁴ Closed meeting: Open only to members of the Credentials Committee.

Tuesday, 7 December 2021**Third plenary meeting****- General debate**

10:00 – 13:00.....King Willem Alexander

Fourth plenary meeting**- General debate**

15:00 – 18:00.....King Willem Alexander

Wednesday, 8 December 2021**Fifth plenary meeting****- Cooperation**

10:00 – 11:30.....King Willem Alexander

Reserved

11:30 – 13:00.....King Willem Alexander

Informal consultations on the omnibus resolution

15:00 – 16:30.....King Willem Alexander

Informal consultations on the budget⁵

16:30 – 18:00.....King Willem Alexander

Thursday, 9 December 2021**Sixth plenary meeting****- Consideration of the budget: Presentations by the Registrar and the Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance****- Consideration of the Audit reports****- Statement by the Chairperson of the Audit Committee****- Statement by the External Auditor⁶**

10:00 – 11:30.....King Willem Alexander

Working Group on the Budget⁷

11:30 – 12:30.....King Willem Alexander

Reserved

12:30 – 13:00.....King Willem Alexander

⁵ Closed meeting: Open only to States Parties.⁶ The outgoing External Auditor, *Cour de Comptes*, will present its report on the financial statements for the period ending on 31 December 2020.⁷ Closed meeting: Open only to States Parties and the Court.

Seventh plenary meeting

- Progress reports by the Coordinators
- Introduction to draft resolutions

15:00 – 16:00.....King Willem Alexander

Informal consultations on the omnibus resolution

16:00 – 18:00..... King Willem Alexander

Friday, 10 December 2021**Reserved**

10:00 – 13:00.....King Willem Alexander

Reserved

15:00 – 17:00.....King Willem Alexander

Eight plenary meeting

- Adoption of resolutions

17:00 – 18:00.....King Willem Alexander

Saturday, 11 December 2021**Ninth plenary meeting**

- Election of the Deputy Prosecutor⁸

10:00 – 13:00.....King Willem Alexander

Meeting of the Credentials Committee⁹

12:30 – 13:00.....Antarctica

Tenth plenary meeting

- Consideration of reports
- Report of the Credentials Committee
- Oral report of the Rapporteur
- Adoption of the report
- Closure of the session

15:00 – 18:00.....King Willem Alexander

⁸ The election of one or two Deputy Prosecutors shall be subject to the respective decision of the Assembly.

⁹ Closed meeting: Open only to members of the Credentials Committee.

Other forthcoming meetings^{10 11}

Monday, 6 December 2021

Climate Crime at the International Criminal Court (hosted by Vanuatu)

09:00 – 10:00.....via Zoom

Meeting link:

<https://vuw.zoom.us/j/94040458783?pwd=ejl5cmRaVmhEUUnZRZ3l5T2tuandOdz09>

Meeting ID:

Password: 675681

Survivors' pathways to accountability: legal avenues for South Sudanese survivors of conflict-related sexual violence (co-hosted by the Netherlands and Legal Action Worldwide)

13:30 – 14:45via Zoom

Meeting link:

<https://zoom.us/j/97150700342?pwd=ajNQVi9TU3VnVTdOanJaVzNqdTFLdz09>

Meeting ID: 971 5070 0342

Passcode: 592253

Tuesday, 7 December 2021

Benchmarking in International Criminal Justice: Feasibility or Fiction? (co-hosted by Germany, International Nuremberg Principles Academy and The Hague Institute for the Innovation of Law)

13:00 – 14:30via Zoom

Meeting link:

<https://nurembergacademy-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYsduGorDgiHNL-MJ48CUU39SOFXAQ8wbUW>

Wednesday, 8 December 2021

The MLA Initiative: Towards a new Convention on International Cooperation in the Investigation and Prosecution of the Crime of Genocide, Crimes against Humanity and War Crimes (co-hosted by Argentina, Belgium, Mongolia, the Netherlands, Senegal and Slovenia)

13:15 – 14:45.....via WebEx

Meeting link:

<https://rijksvideo.webex.com/rijksvideo/j.php?MTID=m17ec4264da8e3e2abb1241a687568cf9>

¹⁰ All side events are held virtually.

¹¹ All other forthcoming meetings times are in Central European time zone (CET).

Meeting number: 2360 122 3849
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Announcements

Free WiFi is available in the building.
Password: “worldforum”

Twentieth session documentation, including daily updated ASP Journal can be found on the website of the Assembly [here](#).

Guidelines for the preparation and conduct of sessions of the Assembly

The Guidelines adopted by the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties on 15 November 2018 regarding side events, general debate and documents can be found on the website of the Assembly [here](#). Building upon the recent experience and bearing in mind the challenges related to coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Bureau adopted appendix to the “Guidelines for the preparation and conduct of the twentieth session of the Assembly” dated 3 September 2021 (annex I) which can be found [here](#).

Prepared statements

Speakers at the Assembly of States Parties are advised that providing in advance digital copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Assembly greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat. Although interpretations rely upon the statement actually delivered, copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery.

Delegations are thus invited to send by e-mail an electronic copy of their statement(s), in one or more of the four official languages, to ensure timely posting of the text on the Assembly website. Statements should be sent to: asp@icc-cpi.int.

Requests for side events

There will be no in-person side events. The side events will be held only in virtual form. Each organizer of a side event will be required to organize its own event and use conferencing platforms they have available.

Side events co-hosted by at least one State Party will be included in the ASP Journal.

Organizers will need to submit to the Secretariat the information on side events: title, date, time (The Hague & New York), list of hosts/sponsors (including at least one State Party), a contact point with an email address for each event and a link as well as any other necessary login credentials to the event.

Please kindly note that the Secretariat does not send invitations to side events. The invitations should be sent by organizers for their respective side event.

Subscription to ASP emails

Delegations who wish to subscribe to ASP mailing list should convey their contact information to the following email: asp@icc-cpi.int. The official ASP emails will be distributed from the following email address only: asp@icc-cpi.int.

Handbook

For further information regarding the session please refer to the Handbook for Participants:
[*under preparation*]

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