

# Journal

11 November 2022

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**INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT  
TWENTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF STATES PARTIES  
THE HAGUE, 5 – 10 DECEMBER 2022**

## **Forthcoming official meetings<sup>1 2</sup>**

**Monday, 5 December 2022**

### **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 six members of the Committee on Budget and Finance

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

### **Meeting of the Credentials Committee<sup>3 4</sup>**

12:00 – 12:30.....Europe 1&2

### **Second plenary meeting**

- General Debate

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

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> All official meeting times are in Central European time zone (CET).

<sup>3</sup> Immediately following the adjournment of the plenary.

<sup>4</sup> Closed meeting: Open only to members of the Credentials Committee.

## Tuesday, 6 December 2022

### 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, 7 December 2022

### Fifth 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 Auditor

#### - Presentation of the Report by the facilitators on the third election of the Prosecutor of the ICC – Lessons learnt

#### - Consideration of the Annual Report of the Head of the Independent Oversight Mechanism

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

### Working Group on the Budget<sup>5</sup>

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

### Sixth plenary meeting

#### - Review Mechanism

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

### Reserved

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

## Thursday, 8 December 2022

### Reserved

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

### Seventh plenary meeting

#### - Cooperation

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

### Reserved

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

<sup>5</sup> Closed meeting: Open only to States Parties and the Court.

**Reserved**

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

**Friday, 9 December 2022****Eighth plenary meeting****- Progress reports by the Coordinators****- Introduction to draft resolutions**

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

**Reserved**

10:30 – 13:00.....King Willem Alexander

**Reserved**

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

**Reserved**

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

**Saturday, 10 December 2022****Ninth plenary meeting****- Adoption of resolutions and the recommendation on the Election of the Registrar**

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

**Reserved**

10:30 – 12:30.....King Willem Alexander

**Meeting of the Credentials Committee<sup>6</sup>**

12:30 – 13:00.....Europe 1&amp;2

**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

<sup>6</sup> Closed meeting: Open only to members of the Credentials Committee.

## Other forthcoming meetings

### Monday, 5 December 2022

**European Union coordination meeting<sup>7</sup>**

09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer

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

13:00 – 14:25 .....Oceania Foyer

**Vetting for all ICC elections - the essential elements unpacked (co-hosted by Austria, the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC) and Human Rights Watch (HRW))**

13:00 – 14:45 .....Antarctica

**Investigating Rome Statute cyber crimes in Ukraine (hosted by Liechtenstein)**

13:15 – 14:45 .....Europe 1&2

**Launch the Annual Report of the Office of the Prosecutor (hosted by the Office of the Prosecutor)**

13:15 – 14:45 .....Oceania

**Realising Reparative Justice for Victims of International Crime: impact results, reflections, and what States Parties can do (more) (hosted by the Trust Fund for Victims)**

13:15 – 14:45 .....King Willem Alexander

**The Trials at the ICC – How long is Too Long (co-hosted by Germany and the Nuremberg Academy)**

18:15 – 20:00 ..... Europe 1&2

**The Possibilities and Limitations of the Bangladesh/Myanmar Precedent: Jurisdiction Over Transboundary Crimes Against Belarusian, Chinese and Syrian Victims (co-hosted by the Netherlands and Legal Action Worldwide)**

18:15 – 20:00 ..... Oceania Foyer

**Reception of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims (co-hosted by Bangladesh, Dominican Republic, Ireland and the Trust Fund for Victims)**

18:15 – 20:00.....Delegates Lounge

### Tuesday, 6 December 2022

**Prosecuting the Crime of Aggression to Defend the Rules-Based International Order (hosted by Liechtenstein)**

08:30 – 10:00.....Europe 1&2

<sup>7</sup> Closed meeting: Open only to members of the group.

- Western European and Other States Group (WEOG) meeting<sup>8</sup>**  
08:30 – 09:00.....Oceania Foyer
- European Union coordination meeting<sup>9</sup>**  
09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer
- Witness relocation in national and international justice mechanisms (IJMs): challenges & lessons learned (co-hosted by Argentina, Sweden, the United States of America and the Registry)**  
13:15 – 14:45 .....Europe 1&2
- Making Reparative Justice a Reality: Monitoring Visit to Northern Uganda and the Future of the Trust Fund for Victims (co-hosted by Belgium, Estonia, Ireland, New Zealand and the Trust Fund for Victims)**  
13:15 – 14:45 ..... Oceania Foyer
- Gender Diversity and the Rome Statute System (co-hosted by Australia, Uganda and Africa Legal Aid (AFLA))**  
13:15 – 14:45 .....Oceania
- Global crisis and the potential of the ICC: relevance of ecocide as the fifth crime (co-hosted by Vanuatu, Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) and Stop Ecocide Foundation)**  
13:15 – 14:45 .....King Willem Alexander
- Strengthening coordination and partnerships: The next step for supporting accountability for crimes against children (hosted by the Netherlands and Save the Children)**  
13:30 – 15:00 ..... Kilimanjaro 1&2
- La Cour Pénale Spéciale et la CPI: la promesse de complémentarité/ The Special Criminal Court and the ICC: complementarity's promise (co-hosted by France and Germany)**  
18:15 – 20:00 .....Europe 1&2
- Myanmar: Exploring options for justice (co-hosted by Canada, Global Justice Center, the Asia Justice Coalition and the Center for Justice and Accountability)**  
18:15 – 20:00 .....Oceania Foyer

### Wednesday, 7 December 2022

- The Strength of Cross-Jurisdictional Cooperation – Lessons learnt from ISIL/Da'esh (co-hosted by France and Sweden)**  
08:30 – 09:45 .....Europe 1&2
- European Union coordination meeting<sup>10</sup>**  
09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer

**A sustainable model for responding to conflict-related sexual violence in Ukraine - Presenting the Ukrainian Prosecutor General's conflict-related sexual violence strategy and discussing**

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<sup>9</sup> Closed meeting: Open only to members of the group.

<sup>10</sup> Closed meeting: Open only to members of the group.

**its transformative potential to enhance access to justice (co-hosted by Australia, Canada, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, Global Rights Compliance and Women’s Initiatives for Gender Justice)**

13:15 – 14:45 ..... Europe 1&2

**Protecting women in armed conflict – is the current legal framework sufficient? (hosted by Germany)**

13:15 – 14:45 ..... Oceania

**Launch of the ICC OTP Gender Persecution Policy Paper (co-hosted by Canada, Sweden and the Office of the Prosecutor)**

13:15 – 14:45 .....Oceania Foyer

**Countering the Global Crackdown on Human Rights Defenders and Civil Society: What Role for the ICC and States Parties? (co-hosted by Czech Republic, Finland, Ireland, Al-Haq, Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC), Open Society Foundations (OSF), Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch (HRW), International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH), Al Mezan Center for Human Rights, Palestinian Center for Human Rights (PCHR), Women’s Initiatives for Gender Justice (WIGJ)**

13:15-14:45 ..... Antarctica

**Justice, Reparation, and Reconciliation: What is on the horizon for victims of the most serious crimes in Côte d’Ivoire? (hosted by the Trust Fund for Victims)**

13:15-14:45 .....via Zoom

**Climate change as a crime against humanity: Article 15 submission (co-hosted by Vanuatu, UK Youth Climate Coalition and the New Zealand Students for Climate Solutions)**

13:30 – 14:30.....King Willem Alexander

**Strengthening the Protection of Civilians: Why Ratifying the War Crime of Starvation Matters (co-hosted by the Netherlands, Switzerland and Global Rights Compliance)**

18:15 – 20:00 .....Oceania Foyer

**Reception on the occasion of the twenty-first session of the Assembly of States Parties (hosted by the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC) with the support of The Hague municipality)<sup>11</sup>**

18:30 – 20:30 .....Restaurant Gember

### Thursday, 8 December 2022

**Equitable access to justice: The Case of Palestine (co-hosted by the State of Palestine, South Africa, Al-Haq, Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights, Palestinian Centre for Human rights (PCHR), Defence for the Children International – Palestine, Addameer - Prisoner Support and Human Rights Association, Amnesty International, INTLawyers, Open Society Foundation, the International Institute of Social Studies (ISS) of Erasmus University Rotterdam)**

08:30 – 10:00.....Europe 1&2

<sup>11</sup> By invitation only.

**European Union coordination meeting<sup>12</sup>**

09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer

**The Universality of the Rome Statute: On the importance of joining the International Criminal Court (co-hosted by the Netherlands, the Republic of Korea and Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA))**

13:15 – 14:45 .....Europe 1&amp;2

**Ratifying amendments to the Rome Statute (co-hosted by Belgium, Liechtenstein, Switzerland and Global Rights Compliance)**

13:15 – 14:45.....Oceania Foyer

**Friday, 9 December 2022****European Union coordination meeting<sup>13</sup>**

09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer

**Book Launch and Panel discussion: 'To Catch a Dictator' – The Trial of Hissène Habré and the search for justice in an age of impunity (co-hosted by Belgium and the International Commission of Jurists)**

13:00-14:00.....Oceania Foyer

**Judicial Selection, Evaluation, and Trial Management in International Criminal Tribunals: Featuring a Proposal for the Optional Pre-Election Accreditation of Judicial Candidates (co-hosted by Ecuador, Switzerland and the International Criminal Law Practice Project of the American Bar Association's Criminal Justice Section and Center for Human Rights)**

13:15 – 14:45 ..... Europe 1&amp;2

**Strengthening Accountability Globally: Concrete steps to bolster the international justice ecosystem (co-hosted by Belgium, Chile, Ireland, Mexico and Human Rights Watch)**

13:15 – 14:45 ..... King Willem Alexander

**International Criminal Law as Justice: Foundations and Future Direction. Joint Book Launch for Professors Darryl Robinson and Carsten Stahn (hosted by Canada)**

14:00 – 14:50.....Oceania Foyer

**Saturday, 10 December 2022****European Union coordination meeting<sup>14</sup>**

09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer

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