

Journal

2 December 2022

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

Forthcoming official meetings^{1 2}

Monday, 5 December 2022

Informal consultations on the budget³

08:30 – 10:00..... Europe 1&2

First plenary meeting

- Opening of the session
- Silent prayer or meditation
- Report on the activities of the Bureau
- Adoption of the agenda
- 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
- Appointment of the Credentials Committee
- Organization of work
- States in arrears

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

Meeting of the Credentials Committee^{4 5}

12:00 – 12:30.....Europe 1&2

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 Closed meeting: Open only to States Parties.

⁴ Immediately following the adjournment of the plenary.

⁵ 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 Vice-Chair 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 Budget⁶

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

Sixth plenary meeting⁷

- Review Mechanism

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

Informal consultations on the omnibus resolution

16:30 – 18:00..... Europe 1&2

Thursday, 8 December 2022

Reserved

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

Seventh plenary meeting

- Cooperation⁸

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

⁶ Closed meeting: Open only to States Parties and the Court.

⁷ The plenary session on the Review Mechanism will be held. A speakers' list will be opened for States and other stakeholders wishing to intervene in the discussions. Requests for inscription on the list should be made as soon as possible at: iccaspReviewMechanism@gmail.com. Participants are kindly requested to deliver statements of no more than three minutes.

⁸ The plenary session on cooperation is titled "New ways to improve cooperation regarding witness protection and respond effectively to the new challenges ahead". The panel discussions will be divided into two segments. There will be two speakers' lists for States and other stakeholders wishing to intervene. Requests for inscription on the respective segments lists should be made as soon as possible at: iccaspcooperation@gmail.com. Participants are kindly requested to deliver statements of no more than two minutes.

Reserved

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

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 Committee⁹

12:30 – 13:00.....Europe 1&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

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

Other forthcoming meetings

Monday, 5 December 2022

Investigating and Prosecuting Cyberwarfare at the ICC (co-hosted by Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Estonia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Portugal, Switzerland and the Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression)

13:15 – 14:45Europe 1&2

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

13:15 – 14:45Oceania

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)

13:15 – 14:45Oceania Foyer

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

13:15 – 14:45King Willem Alexander

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

18:15 – 20:00Europe 1&2

In Pursuit of Intersectional Justice at the International Criminal Court and Beyond: A closer look at the intersectional dimensions of slavery crimes (co-hosted by Argentina, Australia, Colombia, Center for Justice and Accountability (CJA), Emergent Justice Collective, Global Justice Center (GJC) and Justice Rapid Response (JRR))

18:15 – 20:00Oceania

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 – 20:00Oceania Foyer

Shocking the Conscience of Humanity: From Gravity Theory to Practice. Book Launch for Judge Professor Margaret deGuzman (co-hosted by the Gambia and the Public International Law & Policy Group (PILPG))

18:15 – 20:00Africa

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

18:15 – 20:00.....Delegates Lounge

Implementing the Duty to Prevent Genocide under International Law (co-hosted by Luxembourg, Pels Rijcken and USC Gould School of Law International Human Rights Clinic)¹⁰

19:00 – 21:00 Pels Rijcken

Tuesday, 6 December 2022

The ICC and the Crime of Aggression: In Defense of the Rules-Based International Order (co-hosted by Belgium, Estonia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg and the Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression)

08:30 – 10:00Europe 1&2

What will it take to make victims' rights meaningful at the ICC? A frank discussion on the way forward (co-hosted by Ireland, the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH), the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC) and REDRESS)

08:30 – 10:00Africa

Western European and Other States Group (WEOG) meeting¹¹

08:30 – 09:00Oceania Foyer

European Union coordination meeting¹²

09:00 – 10:00Oceania Foyer

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, Liechtenstein, New Zealand, Uganda and the Trust Fund for Victims)

13:00 – 14:45Oceania Foyer

Vetting for all ICC elections - the essential elements unpacked (co-hosted by Austria, Colombia, Serbia, the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC) Human Rights Watch (HRW) and Global Justice Center (GJC))

13:00 – 14:45Antarctica

Interactive Installation: Virtual Reality as a tool for advancing accountability for international crimes (hosted by the Office of the Prosecutor)

13:00 – 15:00Lobby 2

Witness protection and relocation in national and international justice mechanisms: lessons learned to address common challenges (co-hosted by Argentina, Sweden, the United States of America and the Registry)

13:15 – 14:45Europe 1&2

Gender Diversity and the Rome Statute System (co-hosted by Australia, Uganda, International Gender Champions Den Haag and Africa Legal Aid (AFLA))

13:15 – 14:45Oceania

¹⁰ By invitation only.

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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 – 14:45King Willem Alexander

Strengthening coordination and partnerships: The next step for supporting accountability for crimes against children (co-hosted by Germany, the Netherlands, Save the Children and Justice Rapid Response)

13:15 – 14:45Amazon

Reparations for Survivors of Conflict-Related Sexual Violence in Uganda and The Gambia: Survivor perspectives (co-hosted by Belgium, France, the International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ), the Women's Advocacy Network (WAN), the Women's Association for Victim Empowerment (WAVE) and the Global Survivors Fund (GSF))

13:15 – 14:45Everest 1

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 – 20:00Oceania

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 – 20:00Oceania 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 – 09:45Europe 1&2

European Union coordination meeting¹³

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 its transformative potential to enhance access to justice (co-hosted by Australia, Canada, the Netherlands, Poland, the United Kingdom, International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH), Global Rights Compliance and Women's Initiatives for Gender Justice (WIGJ))

13:15 – 14:45 Europe 1&2

Accountability for conflict-related sexual violence - is the current legal framework sufficient? (co-hosted by Germany and South Africa)

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 – 14:45Oceania Foyer

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Countering the Global Crackdown on Human Rights Defenders and Civil Society: What Role for the ICC and States Parties? (co-hosted by Chile, Finland, Ireland, Sweden, Al-Haq, the 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

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 – 20:00Oceania 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)¹⁴

18:30 – 20:30Restaurant Gember

Thursday, 8 December 2022

Bureau meeting¹⁵

08:30 – 09:30.....Oceania

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

European Union coordination meeting¹⁶

09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer

The Universality of the International Criminal Court: On the importance of ratifying the Rome Statute and its Amendments (co-hosted by Belgium, Liechtenstein, the Netherlands, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Global Rights Compliance and Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA))

13:15 – 14:45Europe 1&2

Launch of the International Criminal Court’s Strategy on Gender Equality and Workplace Culture and Reception (co-hosted by Australia, Canada, Finland, France, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, Sweden, Switzerland, the European Commission, Women’s Initiatives for

¹⁴ By invitation only.

¹⁵ Closed meeting: Open only to members of the Bureau.

¹⁶ Closed meeting: Open only to members of the group.

**Gender Justice, Women in International Law network and International Gender Champions
Den Haag)**

18:15 – 20:00.....World Café

Friday, 9 December 2022

Justice for the Rohingya: Paths Forward (co-hosted by Bangladesh, the Gambia and No Peace Without Justice)

08:30 – 10:00.....Europe 1&2

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

08:30 – 10:00.....Africa

European Union coordination meeting¹⁷

09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer

Book Launch – Reed Brody’s ‘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&2

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 meeting¹⁸

09:00 – 10:00.....Oceania Foyer

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Announcements

Delegates who have registered by 30 November 2022 can collect their badges during **early registration on Sunday, 4 December from 15:00 to 17:00 hours** at the World Forum Convention Centre

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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 and amended on 8 September 2021 regarding side events, general debate and documents can be found on the website of the Assembly [here](#).

Prepared statements

Pre-delivery

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. In the absence of a digital copy, speakers are requested to provide 20 copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery.

Post-delivery

Delegations are 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

Rooms for side events and meetings, including those of regional groups or other informal meetings of States, may be reserved by contacting the focal point of the Secretariat, Ms Giovanna Rosso at Giovanna.Rosso@icc-cpi.int. For inclusion of the side event/meeting to the ASP Journal please

provide the focal point with the following information: the title of the event, names of the organizers (including at least one State Party sponsor) and preferred date and time. Modifications to the ASP Journal will be reflected in the following version.

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.

The participation in side events taking place within the secure area of the Assembly will be restricted to those who receive accreditation.

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](#).

Documentation

Paperless

As per decision by the Bureau dated 8 September 2021 accessible [here](#), all pre-session documentation will be posted on the website of the Assembly as an additional measure to decrease the need for printing services and in accordance with a “paperless” approach.

Written statements shall not be reproduced at the expense of the Assembly and shall not be issued as official documents.

Statements made before or after the adoption of resolutions

The Secretariat shall reflect in the Official Records of the respective session the statement as delivered at the respective plenary meeting of the Assembly.

Webcast

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