

Journal

26 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

Informal consultations on the budget⁵

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

Sixth plenary meeting**- Review of the International Criminal Court and the Rome Statute system**

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

Reserved

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

Thursday, 9 December 2021**Seventh 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

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.

Reserved

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

Eighth plenary meeting**- Progress reports by the Coordinators****- Introduction to draft resolutions**

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

Reserved

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

Friday, 10 December 2021**Reserved**

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

Meeting of the Credentials Committee⁸

11:30 – 12:00.....Antarctica

Ninth plenary meeting**- Adoption of resolutions**

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

Tenth plenary meeting**- Election of the Deputy Prosecutor⁹**

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

Saturday, 11 December 2021**Reserved**

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

Eleventh 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 Closed meeting: Open only to members of the Credentials Committee.⁹ The election of one or two Deputy Prosecutors shall be subject to the respective decision of the Assembly.

Other forthcoming meetings^{10 11 12}

Wednesday, 1 December 2021

Critical Analysis of Gender in International Criminal Law (co-hosted by Australia, Canada, Switzerland, Uruguay and Women's Initiatives for Gender Justice)

14:00 – 15:15.....via Zoom

Meeting link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82965249959?pwd=OG9hS24rc09nTjNib1FsOWJNUGZIQT09>

Meeting ID: 829 6524 9959

Passcode: 516692

International Expert Review of the ICC: Civil Society Perspectives on Next Steps (co-hosted by Chile, Finland, the Netherlands, Poland, Sierra Leone, Switzerland, International Federation for Human Rights, Human Rights Watch, the International Criminal Court Project (ABA's Center for Human Rights & Criminal Justice Sections) and the Coalition for the International Criminal Court)

17:30 – 18:30.....via Zoom

Registration link:

https://hrworg.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YVtIKIofOfi5J88IquBJMw

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/9871089940>

Meeting ID: 987 108 9940

Passcode: 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

¹⁰ All side events are held virtually.

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

¹² A list of side events organised by civil society can be found on the CICC website at the following link:
<https://www.coalitionfortheicc.org/side-events-asp20>.

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

Registration link:

<https://nurembergacademy-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcrd-mqpjooG9wxlll4Jkr2H610n-NLjRbQ>

Gender Sensitive Judging in International Criminal Courts (co-hosted by Australia, the Netherlands, Uganda and Africa Legal Aid)

13:10 – 14:50via Zoom

Registration link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_iVFdLPnpTL2-pbFNjeJmag

The Role of Parliamentarians in Promoting the Universality of the Rome Statute: The State of Play in Today’s ICC (co-hosted by the Netherlands, the Republic of Korea and the Parliamentarians for Global Action)

13:15-14:45via Zoom

Meeting link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86501807939?pwd=NjR5NDBaT3JhWjQ2dGw2TG5hOVJvZz09>

Meeting ID: 865 0180 7939

Passcode: 291335

Trust Fund for Victims: Going into 2022 (co-hosted by Dominican Republic, Ireland, and the Trust Fund for Victims)

18:00 – 19:30via Zoom

Meeting connection details: to be confirmed.

Ecocide: a fifth crime defined (co-hosted by Vanuatu, Stop Ecocide Foundation, Institute for Environmental Security and The Hague Peace Projects)

18:30 – 20:00via Zoom

Meeting link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_gTgAc6QVTaqwDoJq6JdggfQ

Meeting ID: 856 2114 5551

Passcode: 789403

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>

Meeting number: 2360 122 3849

Passcode: pMphEpPk328

Trust Fund for Victims: Implementation of reparations awards in the DRC and Mali (co-hosted by Finland, Ireland, Italy, United Kingdom, and the Trust Fund for Victims)
13:15 – 14:45via Zoom

Meeting connection details: to be confirmed.

Moving forward: Enabling a child-centred approach at the ICC and beyond (co-hosted by Belgium, Sierra Leone, Save the Children and Justice Rapid Response)
13:30 – 15:00.....via Zoom

Meeting link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cbMNPumGQ0e6E4tvCv1rPw

Meeting ID: 879 9958 4075

Passcode: 848395

Thursday, 9 December 2021

Justice Must Happen for Gambia (co-hosted by Uganda and Africa Legal Aid)
13:10 – 14:50.....via Zoom

Registration link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_X6JUoZPZSoS0mXRSCF3HeA

Justice for the Rohingya (co-hosted by Bangladesh, Gambia and No Peace Without Justice)
13:30 – 14:30.....via Zoom

Registration link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/217420018127>

Friday, 10 December 2021

Trust Fund for Victims: Movie screening of the reparation awards in the Al Mahdi case (co-hosted by Italy, United Kingdom, and the Trust Fund for Victims)
13:15 – 14:45via Zoom

Meeting connection details: to be confirmed.

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*]

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.

Distribution of documents, paper and statements

Any document, paper or statement that representatives wish to exceptionally circulate in the room can only be distributed by the Secretariat staff once the distribution is authorized by the presiding officer. In such cases, representatives are requested to provide 20 copies for distribution to the President, Rapporteur, Secretariat, and interpreters to the conference room officer.

Electronic copies of any document, paper or statement should be sent to asp@icc-cpi.int.

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

All plenary meetings will be webcast in Floor, English and French at the [ICC YouTube](#).

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