

Special Tribunals & other mechanisms

In the Declaration of the High-level Meeting on the Rule of Law, Member States stated their commitment to ensuring that impunity is not tolerated for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity or for violations of international humanitarian law and gross violations of human rights law. They also committed to ensuring that such violations are properly investigated and appropriately sanctioned, including by bringing the perpetrators of any crimes to justice, through national mechanisms or, where appropriate, regional or international mechanisms, in accordance with international law [para. 22].

<https://www.un.org/ruleoflaw/thematic-areas/international-law-courts-tribunals/international-hybrid-criminal-courts-tribunals/>

- **International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY)**
<http://www.icty.org/>
- **International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR)**
<http://unicttr.unmict.org/>
- **United Nations Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals**
<http://www.unmict.org/>
- **Special Court for Sierra Leone / Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone**
<http://www.rscsl.org/>
- **Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia**
<http://www.eccc.gov.kh/en>
Background: <http://www.unakrt-online.org/>
- **Special Tribunal for Lebanon**
<http://www.stl-tsl.org/en/>
Background: <http://www.un.org/apps/news/infocus/lebanon/tribunal/index.shtml>
- **International Criminal Court (ICC)**
<http://www.icc-cpi.int/>

Further Information

- United Nations – What We Do - Uphold International Law:
<http://www.un.org/en/sections/what-we-do/uphold-international-law/index.html>
- International and Hybrid Criminal Courts and Tribunals:
<https://www.un.org/ruleoflaw/thematic-areas/international-law-courts-tribunals/international-hybrid-criminal-courts-tribunals/>
- United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (OLA):
<http://legal.un.org/ola/>
- General Assembly - Sixth Committee (Legal):
<http://www.un.org/en/ga/sixth/index.shtml>

Research & Documentation

- Repertoire of Practice of the Security Council – International Tribunals: http://www.un.org/en/sc/repertoire/subsidiary_organ/international_tribunals.shtml
- United Nations Juridical Yearbooks (Chapter VII - Decisions of international tribunals): <http://legal.un.org/unjuridicalyearbook/chapters/chapterVII/>
- Dag Hammarskjöld Library - Research Guides & Resources - UN Documentation - International Law: <http://research.un.org/en/docs/law>
 - Courts & Tribunals: <http://research.un.org/en/docs/law/courts>
- Rule-of-law Tools for Post-Conflict States: Maximizing the legacy of hybrid courts (OHCHR, 2008): <http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/HybridCourts.pdf>

Background Information in the Audiovisual Library of International Law

Historic Archives

- Statute of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, 1993 (Introductory note by Fausto Pocar): <http://legal.un.org/avl/ha/icty/icty.html>
- Statute of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, 1994 (Introductory note by Michael Scharf): <http://legal.un.org/avl/ha/ictt/ictt.html>
- Statute for the Special Court for Sierra Leone: <http://legal.un.org/avl/ha/scsl/scsl.html>
- Agreement between the United Nations and the Lebanese Republic on the establishment of a Special Tribunal for Lebanon, 2007: <http://legal.un.org/avl/ha/abunal/abunal.html>
- Agreement between the United Nations and the Royal Government of Cambodia concerning the prosecution under Cambodian law of crimes committed during the period of Democratic Kampuchea, 2003: <http://legal.un.org/avl/ha/abunac/abunac.html>

Lecture Series

- The Progressive Blending of Legal Traditions in the Procedure of International Criminal Courts / by Judge Fausto Pocar: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Pocar_CLP.html
- Maintaining Control of War Crimes Trials / by Mr. Michael Scharf: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Scharf_CLP.html
- An Introduction to the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and its Impact on the Rule of Law in Rwanda / by President Vagn Joensen: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Joensen_CLP.html
- Reflections on the Prosecution of War Crimes by International Tribunals: A Historical Perspective / by President Theodor Meron: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Meron_CLP.html
- The Mechanism: A New Model of International Criminal Tribunal / by President Theodor Meron: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Meron_CLP.html
- Completing the Mandate: The Legal Challenges Facing the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia / by Judge Fausto Pocar: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Pocar_CLP.html
- Fairness and Efficiency in the Proceedings of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia / by President Patrick Robinson: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Robinson_CLP.html
- The International Criminal Court at a Glance / by Judge Sang Hyun Song: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Song_CLP.html
- The International Criminal Court: Maintaining Judicial Independence in a Political World / by Judge Sang Hyun Song: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Song_CLP.html
- Participation of Victims at the International Criminal Court / by Judge Sang Hyun Song: http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Song_CLP.html

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