**XIth Seminar for Legal Advisors of the Armed Forces**

**Stockholm, Sweden 28-31 March 2017**

Hosted by Swedish Defence University

**PROGRAM**

**“Contemporary Challenges for Legal Advisers in International Military Operations”**

**TUESDAY 28 March**

Arrival of the Participants

14.00h-16.30h Registration at Swedish Defence University

17.30h-19.00h Official Opening + Reception,

H.E. Peter Hultqvist,

Romulo Enmark PhD, Vice Chancellor of the Swedish Defence University;   
Brigadier-General (Ret) Jan Peter Spijk, LL.M MA, President International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

**WEDNESDAY 29 March**

**Session 1 & 2 :**

09.30h-10.30h Keynote Speech

Mr. Jan Salestrand, Deputy Minister of Defence, former Chief of Defence Staff, Sweden;

10.30h-11.00h Coffee break

11.00h-11.10h **Introduction 1st Working Session.**   
Chair: Jann Kleffner, Professor of International Law and Head of the International Law Centre, Swedish Defence University   
**Theme: Use of Force in Contemporary Military Operations.**

11.10h-11.40h Legal framework for use of force in training and advisory missions:  
the case of Syria and Iraq  
Speaker: TBC

11.40h-12.10h Self-Defence v Becoming a Party to an Armed Conflict

Speaker: TBC

12.10h-12.30h Questions and Answers, followed by Panel discussion.

12.30h-13.30h Lunch

13.50h-14.00h **Introduction 2nd Working Session**

Chair: Cecilia Tengroth, Legal Advisor, Swedish Red Cross (TBC)  
**Theme: Gender and military operations**

14.00h-14.30h Legal framework relating to gender and gender implications of implementing law applicable in military operations  
Speaker: Sally Longworth, PhD candidate, Stockholm University

14.30h-15.00h Gender implications in recent conflicts: the OSCE perspective

Speaker: Head of the Human Dimension Unit for the OSCE mission in Ukraine (TBC)

15.00h-15.30h Gender implications in recent conflicts: the NATO perspective

Speaker: NATO Gender Adviser, International Military Staff, NATO (TBC)

15.30h-15.50h Questions and Answers

15.50h-16.00h Coffee Break

16.00h-16.30h Group tasks

16.30h-17.00h Group presentation and discussion

17.00h-17.15h Conclusions by Session President

**THURSDAY 30 March**

09.00h-09.10h **Introduction** **3rd Working Session**

Chair: Jan Peter Spijk

**Theme: Practical issues for Legal Advisers in Military Operations.**

09.10h-09.40h Legal Aspects of Strategic Communication and Influence Operations  
Speaker: Pontus Winther, lecturer and PhD candidate, Swedish Defence University

09.40h-10.10h Prevention and responding to sexual exploitation and abuse during peace operations

Speaker: Colonel Ben Klappe, Office of the Special Coordinator on improving UN response to sexual exploitation and abuse, UN HQ

10.10h-10.40h Coffee break

10.40h-11.10h Human trafficking and peace operations  
Speaker: Professor Dr Marco Odello, ‎Reader in Law and Director of International and External Engagement at Aberystwyth University, UK

11.10h-11.40h Update of the Harvard Air and Missile Warfare Manual,

Arne Willy Dahl, Judge Advocate General (ret), Norway

11.40h-12.30h Panel discussion and conclusions by Session President

12.30h-13.30h Lunch

13.30h-14.00h Integrating International Law Advising into Gaming and Exercises: the Swedish Experience.   
Speaker: Jessica Appelgren, lecturer, Swedish Defence University / Anders Frank, Head of Section, Section for War gaming, Swedish Defence University (TBC) / Jan Eldeblad, Section for War gaming, Swedish Defence University

14.00h-14.30h Protection of the environment in relation to armed conflict.

Speaker: Amassador Marie G. Jacobsson LL.D. , Principal Legal Adviser on International Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Sweden, former Special Rapporteur of the UN International Law Commission

14.30h-15.00h Questions and Answers

15.00h-15.30h Coffee Break

15.30h-16.30h Group tasks

16.30h-17.00h Group presentation and discussion

17.00h-17.15h Conclusions by Session President

**FRIDAY 31 March**

09.00h-09.10h **Introduction 4th Working Session**

Chair: Brigadier-General Professor Dr. Paul Ducheine,   
National Defence University, The Netherlands

**Theme: New Military Technologies and the Law**

09.10h-09.40h Legal framework and policy for Offensive Cyber Operations

Speaker: Colonel Gary Corn, US Army Cyber Command

09.40h-10.10h Cyber: Interplay between Domestic Law and International Law and Institutional Responsibilities: the Swedish Experience

Speaker: Marika Ericson, lecturer and PhD candidate, Swedish Defence University

10.10h-10.30h Questions and Answers

10.30h-10.45h Coffee break

10.45h-11.30h Use of Force in Space   
Colonel Robin Holman, Deputy Judge Advocate General, Canada

11.30h-12.30h Panel discussion, Conclusions by Session President

12.30h-13.30h Lunch

13.30h-14.00h Human Enhancement Technologies

Dr. Heather Harrison Dinniss, Senior Lecturer in international law, Swedish Defence University

14.00h-14.30h Autonomous Weapons

Speaker: Dr. Bill Boothby, Associate Fellow Geneva Centre for Security Policy

14.30h-14.50h Questions and Answers

14.50h-15.20h The *International Society for Military Law and the Law of War* and its Research Project *International Law in Peace Operations* – Presentation

15.20h-15.40h Seminar wrap-up by Seminar Director

18.30h  **Closing Dinner**

**SATURDAY 1 April**

**Excursion**

**SUNDAY 2 April**

**Departure of the Participants**