

**SEMINAR ON CHEMICAL WEAPONS USE AND  
LEGAL PATHWAYS TO ACCOUNTABILITY  
MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023 - 14:00-17:00  
GROTIUS CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES**

Topic	Presenter	Time
<b>Opening:</b> Re-Emergence of the Use of Chemical Weapons and Legal Accountability	H.E. Fernando Arias Director-General, OPCW	10 min
<b>Module One:</b> The Use of Chemical Weapons as a Crime in International Law	Mr. Grant Dawson (former) Principal Legal Officer/ Acting Legal Adviser, OPCW	25 min
<i>Discussion</i>		15 min
<i>Break</i>		5 min
<b>Module Two:</b> A Case Study: OPCW's Investigation and Identification Team (IIT)	H.E. Santiago Oñate Director, Investigation and Identification Team, OPCW	25 min
<i>Discussion</i>		15 min
<i>Break</i>		5 min
<b>Module Three:</b> International Judicial and Quasi-Judicial Mechanisms for Ensuring Accountability for Chemical Weapons Use	The Honorable Judge Gocha Lordkipanidze, Appeals Chamber ICC	25 min
<i>Discussion</i>		15 min
<b>Closing:</b> Pathways to Accountability	The Honorable Dr. Beth Van Schaack U.S. Ambassador-at-Large for Global Criminal Justice	25min

## SOME RESOURCES TO CONSIDER

- Yasmin Naqvi, *Crossing the Red Line: The Use of Chemical Weapons in Syria and What Should Happen Now*, INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF THE RED CROSS (2017), 99 (3), 959–993, 982, <https://international-review.icrc.org/articles/crossing-red-line-use-chemical-weapons-syria-and-what-should-happen-now>
- Andreas Zimmermann and Meltem Sener, *Chemical Weapons and the International Criminal Court*, 108 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 436 (2014) <https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/american-journal-of-international-law/article/abs/chemical-weapons-and-the-international-criminal-court/AF661BE5D75E6EF793D97949C331A8E7>
- Mirko Sossai, *Identifying the Perpetrators of Chemical Attacks in Syria: The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons as Part of the Fight Against Impunity?*, JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE, Volume 17, Issue 2 (2019) 13–15, <https://academic.oup.com/jicj/article-abstract/17/2/211/5492367>
- Ilja Pavone, *The Crisis of the “Responsibility to Protect” Doctrine in the Light of the Syrian Civil War*, THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY YEAR BOOK OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND JURISPRUDENCE 2014(I): 103–134, <https://academic.oup.com/book/32632/chapter-abstract/270520867?redirectedFrom=fulltext>
- Gregory Koblenz, *Chemical-weapon Use in Syria: Atrocities, Attribution, and Accountability*, NON-PROLIFERATION REVIEW, DOI: 10.1080/10736700.2019.1718336 (2020) <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/10736700.2019.1718336>
- Una Becker-Jacob, *Countering the Use of Chemical Weapons in Syria: Options for Supporting International Norms and Institutions*, 63 *Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Papers*, June 2019, [https://www.nonproliferation.eu/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/EUNPDC\\_no-63\\_FINAL180719-1.pdf](https://www.nonproliferation.eu/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/EUNPDC_no-63_FINAL180719-1.pdf)
- Brett Edwards, [The politics of international chemical weapon justice: The case of Syria, 2011–2017: Contemporary Security Policy: Vol 39, No 2 \(tandfonline.com\)](https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/10736700.2017.1361111)
- Hanna Notte, *The United States, Russia, and Syria’s chemical weapons: a tale of cooperation and its unravelling* <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/10736700.2020.1766226>
- Geoffrey Chapman, Hassan Elbahtimy & Susan B. Martin, *The Future of Chemical Weapons: Implications from the Syrian Civil War* <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/09636412.2018.1483640>