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Programme

08.15 – 08.30	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
08.30 – 08.45	<p>WELCOME ADDRESS: Professor Javaid Rehman, UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iran, and Brunel University</p> <p>Professor Stephen Hardy, Head of Coventry Law School, Coventry University</p> <p>INAUGURAL ADDRESS: Professor Ibrahim Al Jazy, Jordan University, former Minister of State for Legal Affairs and Minister of Justice, Kingdom of Jordan</p>
08.45 – 09.30	<p>PLENARY SESSION</p> <p>Chair: Professor Mike Hardy, Centre for Trust, Peace, and Social Relations, Coventry University</p> <p>Professor Karima Bennoune, UN Special Rapporteur in the field of Cultural Rights (video address)</p> <p><i>In Conversation:</i> Professor Shaheen Sardar Ali, School of Law, University of Warwick</p> <p>Professor Javaid Rehman, UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iran, and Brunel University</p> <p>Dr Ayesha Shahid, Coventry University</p>

09.30 – 10.30	<p>PANEL 1 - CULTURAL IDENTITY AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY</p> <p>Chair: Dr Steve Foster, Coventry University</p> <p>Beatriz Barreiro Carril, Lecturer, Rey Juan Carlos University <i>Amin Maalouf and the Value of Cultural Diversity for Universal Cultural Rights in International Law: Lessons from the Levant</i></p> <p>Jia Wang, Irish Centre for Human Rights, School of Law, National University of Ireland, Galway <i>Protection of Cultural Heritage in China: A Legal and Ethical Overview</i></p> <p>Tahirih T. Danesh, Chief Editor, Iran Human Rights Review <i>The Minority Report 2.0: Character & Civic Education & The Cultural Rights of Baha'is in Iran</i></p>
10.30 – 10.45	TEA/COFFEE
10.45 – 12.00	<p>PANEL 2 - LAW, CULTURE AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE</p> <p>Chair: Professor Shaheen Sardar Ali, University of Warwick</p> <p>Aleisha Ebrahimi-Tsamis, University College London <i>Gender Based Violence in Post-Conflict Countries. Tunisia</i></p> <p>Professor Hazel Barrett and Dr Helen Liebling, Centre for Peace, Trust and Social Relations, Coventry University <i>Social Enterprise Groups for South Sudanese Refugee Survivors of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence and Torture Living in Settlements in Northern Uganda</i></p> <p>Dr. Qudsia Mirza, Birkbeck, University of London <i>Partition, Memorialisation and Gender in Pakistan</i></p> <p>Professor Vrinda Narain, Faculty of Law, McGill University <i>Reconciling Constitutional Law, Gender Equality and Religious Differences: Lessons from Shayara Bano, India's Triple Talaq Decision</i></p> <p>Adrija Ghosh, WB National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata, India <i>Debunking the Validity of Culture-Based Justifications for the Retention of Marital Rape Exemption in India</i></p>
12.00 – 12.40	<p>SPECIAL PRESENTATION: CULTURAL HERITAGE DESTRUCTION DURING THE ISLAMIC STATE'S GENOCIDE AGAINST THE YAZIDIS</p> <p>Sean Fobbe, RASHID International, Ahmed Khudida Burjus, Yazda, and Kristen Hopper, Durham University</p>

12.40 – 13.30	LUNCH
13.30 – 14.40	<p>PANEL 3: TRAFFICKING CULTURE</p> <p>Chair: Professor Janet Ulph, University of Leicester</p> <p>Barbora Brederova and Layla Hashemi, Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center (TraCCC), George Mason University <i>Countering Online Antiquities Trafficking Networks Financing Terrorism In Syria And Iraq</i></p> <p>Sofia Pouloupoulou, Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies, Leiden University <i>Implementing the Obligation to Return Illicitly Exported Cultural Property to the Authorities of an Occupied Territory: Who Bears the Responsibility?</i></p> <p>Simona Novaretti, Department of Law, University of Turin <i>Trust(s) "with Chinese characteristics" And Protection of Cultural Heritage in the People's Republic of China</i></p> <p>Dr. Steven Gallagher, Chinese University of Hong Kong, and Dr. Stefan Gruber, Kyoto University <i>Middle Eastern Antiquities for Sale in Asia: a new market and a new trafficking route?</i></p>
14.40 – 15.40	<p>PANEL 4 – CULTURE UNDER ATTACK</p> <p>Chair: Kristin Hausler, British Institute of International and Comparative Law</p> <p>Alice Lopes Fabris, ENS Paris-Saclay, Institute des sciences sociales du politique <i>The Practice of Asian States Implementing the Principle for Protection of Monuments and Works of Art Before World War I</i></p> <p>Allison McClelland, Public Law Litigator <i>International Law and the Protection of Cultural Property in Non-International Armed Conflict: Applicability to Non-State Armed Groups in Syria</i></p> <p>Julia Emtseva, European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights, Berlin <i>Destruction and Looting of Cultural Property in Yemen's Civil War: Legal Implications and Methods of Prevention</i></p> <p>Dr. Siobhan Smith, Lancaster University <i>The Role of Education in Protecting the Right to Culture of Indigenous Peoples and Ethnic Minorities and in Peace Building: The Rohingya</i></p>
15.40 – 15.55	TEA / COFFEE

15.55 – 16.55	<p>PANEL 5: HERITAGE SITES AND ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Chair: Dr Ben Stanford, Coventry University</p> <p>Dr Elena Perez-Alvaro, Royal Haskoning DHV <i>Human Rights and Underwater Cultural Heritage: Migrant Shipwrecks</i></p> <p>John Vincent T. Castro, Ateneo Law School <i>Seeking Refuge in the Environment: Natural Heritage Sites, Heritage Parks, and Protected Areas as Safeguards of Tangible and Intangible Cultural Heritage in the Philippines</i></p> <p>Riccardo Vecellio Segate, Faculty of Law, University of Macau, China <i>Protecting cultural heritage by recourse to international environmental law: Chinese stances on state liability</i></p>
16.55 – 17.55	<p>PANEL 6: INDIGENOUS AND MINORITY CULTURES IN ASIA</p> <p>Chair: Dr Frederick Cowell, Birkbeck, University of London</p> <p>İlayda Eskitaşcioğlu, Koç University <i>Strategic Use of Customary Law as a Promising Tool for Social Change: An Overview of Three "Champion" Cases</i></p> <p>Professor Makoto Shimada, , Keio University Law School <i>Ainu, An Indigenous People in Japan, Protection of Culture and Repatriation of Human Rights</i></p> <p>Devashree Talukar, Advocate Mumbai High Court <i>Indigenous People In South Asia: Safeguarding Cultural Heritage In A Changing World</i></p> <p>Jing Ming Tan and Alec Thompson, Cambridge University <i>Moving Past Post-Colonial: Rethinking Indigeneity and Self-Determination in Southeast Asia</i></p>
17.55-18.00	VOTE OF THANKS