Forum for International Criminal Justice Conflict

Programme:

13:15	Welcome and introduction, by Christian Ranheim ¹
13:20	The work of the Research and Documentation Centre of Bosnia and Herzegovina, by Mirsad Tokača²
14:00	The quality of knowledge on dead and missing persons in the fact-finding and -analysis of the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, by Dr. Helge Brunborg ³
14:30	Some remarks on the conduct of academic research on mortality in armed conflict, by Dr. $Henrik\ Urdal^4$
14:40	The role of documentation and research on criminal victimation – in particular unlawful killings and disappearances – in transitional justice, by Ilia Utmelidze ⁵
15:00	Discussion and concluding remarks, by Gunnar M. Ekeløve-Slydal ⁶

Registration:

To register, please send an e-mail message to Marit Vik at marit.vik@nchr.uio.no prior to Monday 2 June 2008 at 10:00.

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² Mirsad Tokača is Founder and President of the Research and Documentation Center, heading the organization from its establishment in 2004. Prior to that, he served for more than a decade as General Secretary of the State Commission for Gathering Facts on War Crimes. He served as an expert witness before the ICTY. As an independent member of the BiH delegation, Mr. Tokača attended the sessions of the United Nations Human Rights Commission in Geneva in 1996 and 1997. He is also a member of the scholars' initiative of Purdue University (USA) which deals with the problem of the dissolution of the former Yugoslavia.

³ **Dr. Helge Brunborg** holds a Ph.D. in Economics/Demography from the University of Michingan. He is Senior Researcher at Statistics Norway since 1974. He served as special investigative analyst at the ICTY Office of the Prosecutor 1997-8 and later as a Consultant to that Office, serving, *inter alia*, as an expert witness in the Milošević, Krstić and Blagojević trials. He has advised the development of national census systems in Afghanistan and Albania. He chairs a working group on the demography of armed conflict of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population. He has published extensively in the field.

⁴ **Dr. Henrik Urdal**, Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Oslo (2007); Senior Researcher at the Centre for the Study of Civil War (CSCW), the International Peace Research Institute, Oslo (PRIO) (2006-); Associate Editor of the *Journal of Peace Research*. He has previously worked as Investigations Assistant for the UN International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (1999). Publications in *International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Peace Research, Political Geography, Journal of Conflict Resolution* (forthcoming), and *European Journal of Population*. He was co-editor of a special issue of the *Journal of Peace Research* on 'The Demography of Conflict and Violence' (2005), and of an edited volume on 'The Demography of Armed Conflict' (Springer, 2006). Current main interest: demography and domestic armed conflict.

⁵ Ilia Utmelidze, Legal Adviser in the Human Rights Department of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina, advising on institution-building in areas such as domestic war crimes prosecution mechanisms (including the development of a national strategy for war crimes prosecution), specialised investigative commissions for Srebrenica and Sarajevo, establishment of a single state-level ombudsman institution (2004-); Norwegian Refugee Council, Azerbaijan: capacity building of local NGOs in the field of human rights protection and advocacy; consultant on development of human rights education and peace programs within the educational system of Azerbaijan (2001-04); Norwegian Centre for Human Rights: minority policy and law research project (2000-01).

⁶ **Gunnar M. Ekeløve-Slydal** is Deputy Secretary-General of the Norwegian Helsinki Committee. A philosopher by education, he had been a leader of the Norwegian human rights community since the early 1990s. He has extensive international experience and has worked on international criminal justice issues for almost ten years.