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International Conference

**Rethinking the Crime of
Aggression: International and
Interdisciplinary Perspectives**

Draft Program
20 – 22 September 2018

Philipps-Universität Marburg
Germany



Thursday, 20 September 2018

Philipps-Universität Marburg
Aula der Alten Universität
Lahntor 3, 35032 Marburg

17:00 Arrival of Participants

18.15 Welcome and Introduction

Stefanie Bock & Eckart Conze, ICWC Marburg
(Germany)

18.30 Keynote

**Negotiating Aggression: From Rome over
Kampala to New York**

Christoph Henrichs, Bundesministerium der Justiz und
für Verbraucherschutz (Germany)

19.30 Conference Reception

Friday, 21 September 2018 – Session I

Hessisches Staatsarchiv
Friedrichsplatz 15, 35037 Marburg

09:00 Panel I: What is Aggression?

Aggression from a Sociological Perspective

Wolfgang Knöbl, Hamburg Institute for Social
Research (Germany)

**Dimensions of Aggression in Social
Psychology**

Ulrich Wagner, Universität Marburg (Germany)

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 Panel II: States as Aggressors

The Use of Force, Aggression and Statehood

Mathias Albert, Universität Bielefeld (Germany)

The Economics of War and the Causes of War

Fanny Coulomb, Sciences Po Grenoble (France)

**Japanese Aggression on Trial – Crimes against
Peace at the Tokyo War Crimes Tribunal**

Philipp Osten, Keio University (Japan)

13:00: Lunch Break

Friday, 21 September 2018 – Session II

14:30 Panel III: Regulating Aggression

The Versailles Treaty and the Idea of Prosecuting Wars of Aggression

Gerd Hankel, Hamburger Stiftung zur Förderung von Wissenschaft und Kultur (Germany)

Approaches of International Organisations and Institutions towards Acts of Aggression

Sergey Sayapin, KIMEP School of Law (Kazakhstan)

An Internal Jus Ad Bellum?

Eliav Lieblich, Tel Aviv University (Israel)

16:30 Coffee Break

17:00 Panel IV: Legitimizing Aggression

State Aggression and Intervention: Patterns of Legitimization

Fabian Klose, Leibniz Institute of European History (Germany)

State Sovereignty and the Legitimacy of Aggression

Wilfried von Bredow, Universität Marburg (Germany)

Legitimizing the Use of Force under Public International Law – Delimitating the Scope of "Aggression"

Michael Lysander Fremuth, Freie Universität Berlin / Universität Köln (Germany)

Saturday, 22 September 2018

09:00 Panel V: Individualizing Guilt

Criminalizing Interstate Wrongdoing

Tom Dannenbaum, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy (USA)

Individualizing Guilt at Nuremberg

Annette Weinke, Universität Jena (Germany)

Collective Violence and Individual Guilt: The Approach of the Rome Statute

Boris Burghardt, Universität Hamburg (Germany, *tbc*)

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 Panel VI: Prosecuting Aggression

The Political Dimension of Aggression Trials: The Role of the Security Council

Niels Blokker, Leiden University (The Netherlands)

Key Risks and Difficulties of Aggression Trials

Patrycja Grzebyk, University of Warsaw (Poland)

National Implementation of the Crime of Aggression

Astrid Reisinger Coracini, Universität Wien (Austria)

13:30 Closing Remarks

Stefanie Bock & Eckart Conze, ICWC Marburg

13:45 Farewell Reception

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“To initiate a war of aggression is not only an international crime; it is the supreme international crime, differing only from other war crimes in that it contains within itself the accumulated evil of the whole.”

The International Military Tribunal, Nuremberg
Judgement

30th September and 1st October 1946

Attendance of the conference is free of charge, but participants are kindly requested to register in advance until 10th September 2018 by email to icwc-conf-aggression@staff.uni-marburg.de