





# Winter Academy of International Law (WAIL) 2018

II. Refugee Law in Istanbul: Current Challenges to 1951 Geneva Convention 29 January- 3 February 2018

#### 1. Overview

Turkey as a country hosting more than 4 million refugees amid the biggest refugee crisis of the history is a laboratory for Refugee Law. In this respect, Istanbul Center of International Law (ICIL) is organizing its annual Winter Academy of International Law (WAIL) dedicated to Refugee Law in cooperation with Istanbul Law School.

Objective of WAIL is to promote the capacity building among Turkish law students in terms of specialization in Refugee Law to properly tackle with social and economic challenges of the reality of refugees. At the same time, we would like to enable foreign law students to analyze, learn and observe on-site Turkish experience on Refugee Law in Istanbul.

## 2. Content

Academic organization of the WAIL is two-folded; The first part of the winter school is dedicated to the current legal challenges posed by Syrian refugees and their current situation in Turkey. The second part is dedicated to the international challenges against Refugee Law. The lecturers were carefully selected from Turkish and foreign experts who have valuable insight and significant expertize on their respective topics.

ICIL is operating changes in terms of content and organization to increase the quality of the program year by year. 2018 edition of WAIL is focused on the current challenges against the 1951 Geneva Convention.

# 3. Provisory Academic Program

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	9:30-12:30	12:30-14:00	14:00-16:00
29.01.2018 Monday	"An Introduction to Refugee Law: Exploring the Refugee Definition and International Protection Categories" Asst. Prof. Meltem İneli Ciğer	Lunch Break	Syrian Refugee Crisis: Anatomy of Quagmire At. Orhan Yıldırım Union of Medical Care and Relief Organizations (UOSSM)
30.01.2018 Tuesday	"Temporary Protection Under Turkish Law" <i>Dr. Esra YILMAZ EREN</i> Turkish-German University	Lunch Break	Asylum-Seeking Process in Turkish Law At. Dilara Yurtseven (LLM Lund University) International Refugee Rights Association
31.01.2018 Wednesday	Labor and Social Security Rights of Asylum Seekers and Refugees in Turkey <i>Prof.Dr. Yusuf ÇALIŞKAN</i> Istanbul Şehir University (TBC)	Lunch Break	Healthcare and Education Rights of Syrian Asylum Seekers in Turkey At. Dilara Yurtseven (LLM Lund University) International Refugee Rights Association
01.02.2018 Thursday	"Non-refoulement and EU- Turkey deal" <i>Muhammet ZEYBEK</i> Judge, LLM Queen Mary University of London	Lunch Break	Migration through Sea: Rescue Operations in Mediterrean Sea Dr. Jean Pierre Gauci BIICL

02.02.2018 Friday	"Relationship among Refugee Law, Human Rights Law and International Humanitarian Law" <i>Dr. Jean Pierre GAUCI</i> BIICL	Lunch Break	"Stateslesness and IDP" Ferhat Ercümen Geneva Graduate Institute
03.02.2018 Saturday	The Concept of Refugee and Fundamental Rights in Islamic Law (10:00 - 12:00) Asst. Prof. Ahmad Al-Dawoody ICRC-Al Azhar University	Closing Ceremony (12:00- 13:00)	

# 4. Application Process

All applicants should fill the online application form. In addition, they should submit 1 page long (450 words max.) motivation letter and updated CV as application package. Applications will be evaluated on **rolling-basis** therefore; **early application is highly advised** to the candidates. All the applicants should furnish a proof of their level of English which allow them to follow the lectures.

Places are limited to 45 participant including ICIL Formation Program students. Deadline is set for **12 January 2018, Friday 24:00 UTC**. Late applications won't be taking into consideration.

Once a candidate receives the letter of acceptation, he or she should make the payment of tuition fee in 10 days. Otherwise, the candidate's participation will not be finalized.

# 5. Venue

Lectures will be held at the historic doctoral hall of Istanbul University Faculty of Law.

#### 6. Visa

In case you need visa to enter to Turkey, you should contact us as soon as possible after receiving your acceptation letter. We will issue an invitation letter for you to facilitate the visa process.

## 7. Contact

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