

Access to Justice to Fight Impunity in Turkey: Past and Present

An international online conference casted live on social media

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Time: 14:00-17:30 Turkey Time, 12:00-15:30 CET

Agenda

14:00 – 14:10: Welcoming speeches and Introduction (Róisín Pillay, Director of the ICJ Europe and Central Asia Programme, Feray Salman, General Coordinator of Human Rights Joint Platform)

14:10 – 15:40: International perspective (Moderator: Massimo Frigo, ICJ Senior Legal Adviser)

- Juan Mendez, Former UN Special Rapporteur on Torture: The fight against impunity for gross human rights violations in international law: evolutions, challenges, and successes
- Wilder Taylor, Former Secretary-General of ICJ and Chair of Uruguay's NPM: The Role of Truth and Justice in Latin America Transitions Processes
- Luciano A. Hazan, Member of the UN Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearance: 40 years of the Working Groups and Turkey: perspectives of accountability

15:40 – 15:50: Coffee break

15:50 – 16:50: Turkey: The Past and Present (Moderator: Kerem Altıparmak, ICJ Legal Consultant)

- Melis Gebeş, Lawyer, Truth Justice and Memory Center: 1990s, a closed period after judgements of the Constitutional Court and the ECHR
- Feray Salman, General Coordinator of Human Rights Joint Platform: Legal, Political and Practical tools of Impunity in Turkey

16:50 – 17:30: Conclusions: Róisín Pillay, International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) Europe and Central Asia Programme Director and Kerem Altıparmak, ICJ Legal Consultant