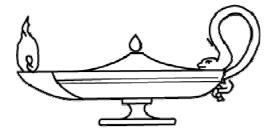
# **DILA COLLOQUIUM ON INTERNATIONAL LAW**



# JUSTICE AS PEACE? LIBERAL PEACEBUILDING AND STRATEGIES OF TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE

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### **SPEAKER:**

**Professor Chandra Lekha SRIRAM** joined the School of Law at the University of East London in 2005 as its inaugural Professor of Human Rights, when she also founded and directed the Centre on Human Rights in Conflict (<u>www.uel.ac.uk/chrc</u>). As director of the Centre, she raised collaborative grants from the British Academy, the United States Institute of Peace, the Leverhulme Trust, the European Union, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. From 2010-2013, she was Professor of Law at the University of London, School of Oriental and African Studies.

She returned to UEL as Professor of International Law and International Relations in 2013, accompanied by colleagues working on her new collaborative grant from the Economic and Social Research Council on the Impact of Transitional Justice Measures on Democratic Institution-building (<u>www.tjdi.org</u>). This is a three-year project in conjunction with Anja Mihr at the University of Utrecht (funded by NWO), examining the long-term impact of transitional justice measures. She co-directs the Centre on Human Rights in Conflict with John Strawson.

Professor Sriram has researched and published widely in the areas of international law, international relations, human rights, rule of law, conflict prevention, conflict resolution, peacebuilding, international criminal law and post-atrocity justice.

She received her PhD in Politics from Princeton University in 2000, her JD from the University of California-Berkeley in 1994, and her BA in Political Science and MA in International Relations from the University of Chicago in 1991.

#### Selected books:

- War, conflict, and human rights: Theory and Practice, 2d edition co-author with Olga Martin-Ortega and Johanna Herman (Routledge, 2014).

- Transitional justice and peacebuilding on the ground: Victims and excombatants co-editor with Jemima García-Godos, Johanna Herman, and Olga Martin-Ortega (London: Routledge, 2013).

- *Peacebuilding and rule of law in Africa: Just Peace?* co-editor with Olga Martin-Ortega and Johanna Herman (London: Routledge, 2011).

- Peace as governance: Power-sharing, armed groups, and contemporary peace negotiations (London: Palgrave, 2008).

- International Law and International Relations: Bridging Theory and Practice, co-editor with Tom Biersteker, Peter Spiro, and Veronica Raffo (London: Routledge, 2006).

- Globalizing justice for mass atrocities: A revolution in accountability (London: Routledge, 2005).

- Confronting past human rights violations: justice vs. peace in times of transition (London: Frank Cass, 2004).

#### Selected articles:

- "Spoilers of justice," Nordic Journal of Human Rights no. 2 (June 2013), pp. 248-262.

- "Making rights real? Minority and gender provisions and power-sharing arrangements," *International Journal of Human Rights* vol. 17, no. 2 (2013), pp. 275-288.

- "Closing impunity gaps: Regional transitional justice processes?" with Amy Ross, *Transitional Justice Review* vol. 1, issue 1 (2012), pp. 3-30.

- "Kenya in the shadow of the ICC: Complementarity, Gravity, and Impact," with Stephen Brown, *International Criminal Law Review* vol. 12, no. 2 (2012), pp. 1-26.

- "The big fish won't fry themselves: Criminal accountability for post-election violence in Kenya," with Stephen Brown, *African Affairs* vol. 111, issue 443 (2012), pp. 244-260.

- "Power-sharing and transitional justice: A clash of paradigms?" with Stef Vandeginste, *Global Governance* vol. 17, no. 4 (October 2011), pp. 489-505.

- "The perils of power-sharing: Africa and beyond," with Marie-Jöelle Zahar, *Africa Spectrum* vol. 44, no. 3 (2009), pp. 11-39.

- "DDR and transitional justice: bridging the divide?" with Johanna Herman, *Conflict, security, and development* vol. 9, no. 4 (2009) pp. 455-474.

- "Justice as peace? Liberal peacebuilding and strategies of transitional justice," *Global Society: Journal of Interdisciplinary International Relations* vol. 21, no. 4 (October 2007), pp. 579-91.

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Professor Seokwoo LEE (Inha University Law School, Korea) is currently Chairman of DILA.

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Dr. Kevin Y.L. TAN (Director, Equilibrium Consulting Pte Ltd; Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore, Singapore) is currently the Editor-in-Chief of the Yearbook.