

Agenda

# 1st Münster Congress on Humanitarian Relief

Human Rights or International Law?  
International Emergency Aid - A Delicate Balance

**Venue:** Historic City Hall of Münster, Prinzpalmarkt 8-9, 48143 Münster

**Date:** Friday, 20 May 2011

**Moderator:** Gisela Steinhauer (WDR)

**Organiser:** Münster University of Applied Sciences, Centre of Competence for Humanitarian Relief, within the Alliance for Science, Münster

**Partner:** City of Münster

## **On the eve of the congress, 19 May 2011**

**18.00 hrs**

Opening of the conference office at the 'Bürgerhalle' of the City Hall

## **Agenda on 20 May 2011**

**9.00 hrs**

Arrival of guests, registration, coffee

**9.30 hrs**

Welcome speeches

**Lord Mayor Markus Lewe**

**Professor Dr. Ute von Lojewski**, President of Münster University of Applied Sciences

**9.50 hrs**

"Humanitarian Action - Intervention?"

**Ret'd federal minister Dr. Rudolf Seiters**, President of the German Red Cross

**10.00 hrs**

Introduction to the programme

**Professor Dr. Joachim Gardemann**, Münster University of Applied Sciences, Director of the Centre of Competence for Humanitarian Relief

"The Significance of the Peace of Westphalia"

**Professor Dr. Franz-Josef Jakobi**, Head of Work Group 1648 - Dialogue on Peace, Alliance for Science

**10.30 hrs**

"Nation State Sovereignty is No Longer an Absolute"

LGen the Hon. **Roméo Alain Dallaire**, O.C., C.M.M., G.O.Q., M.S.C., C.D., (Ret'd), Senator

"Mobilizing the Will to Intervene: Planning for the Future"

**Professor Dr. Frank Chalk**, Professor of History and Director, Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada

**12.30 hrs** Break

**13.30 hrs**

"Humanitarian Values, Humanitarian Assistance and the Law of Armed Conflict"

**Professor Dr. Ted van Baarda**, Professor of Military Ethics, Faculty of Military Science, Nederlandse Defensie Academie (NLDA), The Hague

**14.30 hrs**

"From Westphalia to Westfailure? International Actors and the Pitfalls of Humanitarian Intervention"

**Professor Dr. Dr. h.c. Reinhard Meyers**, Institute of Political Science, University of Münster

**15.30 hrs** Break

**16.00 hrs**

Panel discussion: Human Rights or International Law?

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**Winfried Nachtwei** former MP, member of Work Group 1648 - Dialogue on Peace

**Christoph Strässer** (MP), Spokesperson of Work Group Human Rights and Humanitarian Relief

**Ruprecht Polenz** (MP), Chairman of Committee on Foreign Affairs of the German Bundestag (invited)

**Professor Father Dr. Thomas Dienberg**, Vice Chancellor of the University of Philosophy and Theology in Münster

**Dr. Heike Spieker**, General Secretariat of the German Red Cross, leader of International Law team

**Dr. Tankred Stöbe**, President of Ärzte ohne Grenzen Deutschland

**17.30 hrs**

Concluding statement: Insights and Prospects

**Professor Dr. Joachim Gardemann**, Münster University of Applied Sciences, Director of the Centre of Competence for Humanitarian Relief