Ryerson University Conference on Prevention of Mass Atrocities

Tuesday, February 12, 2013 - 4:00-8:30 pm

Sears Atrium, George Vari Engineering and Computing Centre

Ryerson University (245 Church Street, Toronto, Ontario)

Speakers and Participants:

<u>Jeremy Kinsman</u>, former Canadian Ambassador, Director of Democracy Support project for the Community of Democracies, and Visiting Distinguished Diplomat at Ryerson University (conference Chair)

Clint Curle, Canadian Museum for Human Rights

<u>Michael Abramowitz</u>, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum's Center for the Prevention of Mass Atrocities

<u>Jill Sinclair</u>, Assistant Deputy Minister for Policy, Department of National Defence (and ex-Executive Director of the R2P Commission)

<u>Stefanie Frease</u>, professor, University of Washington, former investigator and Special Advisor to the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY)

<u>Robert LaGamma</u>, President, Council for a Community of Democracies, Washington, D.C.

<u>Frank Chalk</u>, Director of the Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies, Concordia University)

<u>Kyle Matthews</u>, Senior Deputy Director, Will to Intervene Project, Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies, Concordia University

Sponsors:

- Canadian Museum for Human Rights
- U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum's Center for the Prevention of Mass Atrocities
- Canadian International Council
- Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies
- Council for a Community of Democracies
- International Issues Discussion series at Ryerson University
- Ryerson University Department of History
- Ryerson University (Office of the President and Office of the Provost/VP Academic)

Hosts:

- International Issues Discussion series student leaders Touria Izri and Jake Brunt
- Dr. Arne Kislenko, Professor, Department of History, Ryerson University

Agenda

4:00 pm: welcome and general introductions/acknowledgements

- Adam Kahan, Vice-President, University Advancement, Ryerson University
- IID student leaders
- Jeremy Kinsman (conference Chair)

4:15 pm: Lessons Learned? Early Warning and Humanitarian Intervention

- Michael Abramowitz, "Preventing Genocide: Past, Present, and Future"
- Questions
- Brief Commentary: Frank Chalk

5:00 pm: *The Responsibility to Protect* (R2P) *Today*

- Jill Sinclair "The R2P Today"
- Kyle Matthews, "The Promise of R2P in the Age of Atrocities"

Questions

6:00 pm: break with refreshments

6:15 pm: <u>The International Criminal Court and Universal Justice: Are We There</u> *Yet?*

- Stefanie Frease "Investigating Atrocity Crimes at the ICC: Where the Rubber Meets the Road"
- Frank Chalk, "International Criminal Justice, Looking Forward"
- Questions

7:00 pm: Educating for Inclusive Pluralism

- Clint Curle, "Education for inclusive pluralism: the capacity of museums and sites of conscience to promote human rights."
- Robert LaGamma, "Creating a Culture of Tolerance, Acceptance and Appreciation for Diversity through Education for Democracy"
- Questions

7:45 pm: <u>Conclusions</u>: <u>Where Do We Go From Here? Future Prospects for</u>
Detection and Prevention of Mass Atrocities

• Round-Table Panelist Discussion with questions from the audience

8.30 pm: conference close