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While international humanitarian law (IHL) was initially drafted and is still most detailed for international armed conflicts (IACs), most armed conflicts are today of a non-international character (NIACs).

This course discusses the protection offered by IHL in NIACs and examines why and to what extent IHL of IACs and IHL of NIACs are different or similar, as well as where the rules applicable to NIACs can be found. It also addresses some problems and controversies specific to IHL of NIACs, including the difficulty to ensure the respect of IHL by armed non-state actors.

AUDIENCE

This course forms part of the Geneva Academy Executive Master in International Law in Armed Conflict. It is open to professionals – diplomats, lawyers, legal advisers, judges, NGO staff, human rights advocates, media specialists, professionals working in emergency situations, UN staff and staff from other international organizations – who are not enrolled in the Executive Master and who want to deepen their expertise in this specific issue.

CERTIFICATE

Participants obtain a certificate at the end of the course (no ECTS credits are gained).

SCHEDULE

- Friday 15 March 2019, 18:15 – 20:45
- Thursday 21 March 2019, 18:00 – 20:30
- Friday 22 March 2019, 18:15 – 20:45
- Thursday 28 March 2019, 18:00 – 20:30
- Friday 29 March 2019, 18:15 – 20:45

LECTURER

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Marco Sassòli has published widely on international humanitarian law (IHL), human rights law, international criminal law, the sources of international law, the responsibility of states and non-state actors and Swiss constitutional law. He is recognized as a leading expert in IHL.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications for individual courses must be submitted via the online form available on our website.

DEADLINES AND TUITION FEE

- Fee: **CHF 1'150**
- Deadlines:
- Application start: 15 March 2019
 - Application end: 29 March 2019