

Speaker: Sidney Zoltak, Holocaust Survivor

JUSTICE AND ACCOUNTABILITY CONFERENCE VANIER COLLEGE MARCH 30-31, 2017

Thursday, March 30, 2017

8:30-9:00 Opening Remarks

6.50-7.00 Opening Remarks	
	John McMahon, Director General, Vanier College
9:00-10:00	Genocidal Antisemitism and the Crisis of Modernity: The Contemporary Challenges to Human Rights and Democratic Principles
	Chair: John McMahon, Director General, Vanier College
	Speaker: Dr. Charles Small , Director, Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy
10:00-11:00	Hate Speech in the Digital Age
	Chair: Brandon Silver, Director of Projects, Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights
	Speaker: Professor Karen Eltis , Law Professor, University of Ottawa
11:00-11:30	Break
11:00-12:00	Foreign Affairs: Justice and Accountability
	Chair: Professor Irwin Cotler, Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights
	Speaker: Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Minister of Foreign Affairs (TBC)
12:00-1:00	From Non-interference to Non-indifference: The African Union and the Responsibility to Protect
	Chair: Moses Gashirabake, Rwandan survivor, law student at Fasken Martineau DuMoulin (Bar Candidate 2016/2017), former President of the Black Law Student Association of Canada
	Speaker: Dr. Marina Sharpe , Steinberg Post-Doctoral Fellow in International Migration Law and Policy, Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, Faculty of Law, McGill University
1:00-2:00	Lunch
2:00-3:30	Panel Discussion: Community Perspectives: Justice and Accountability
	Moderator: Sue Montgomery, Writer and advocate for women's rights
	Panellists: Viken Attarian, Armenian, Former Chairman of the Armenian General Benevolent Union Professor Roman Serbyn, Ukrainian, Professor Emeritus of Russian and East European History at the University of Quebec at Montreal Moses Gashirabake, Rwandan, Fasken Martineau DuMoulin (Bar Candidate 2016/17) Dafina Savic, Roma Sinti, Human Rights Coordinator, Montreal Holocaust Memorial Centre and Director of Romanipe
3:30-4:00	Holocaust, Genocide, Human Rights: Pursuing Justice and Accountability
	Speaker: Professor Irwin Cotler , Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights
4:00-4:30	Closing Remarks
	Chair: Bruce Kent , Second Generation Holocaust Survivor, Member of the Board of Directors of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights



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9:00-10:00 Peace and Justice: Community Building

Chair: Ian Hamilton, Executive Director, Equitas- International Centre for Human Rights Education

Speaker: Dr. Alaa Murabit, UN High-Level Commissioner: Health and Employment Growth, UN SDG Global

Advocate

10:00-11:30 Panel Discussion: Justice and Accountability: None is Too Many: How Far Have We Come?

Moderator: Ian Hamilton, Executive Director, Equitas-International Centre for Human Rights Education

Panellists:

Professor Irving Abella, Professor Emeritus, Department of History, York University

Honourable Marlene Jennings, Former Member of Parliament, and former Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime

Minister

Me David Berger, Immigration lawyer and Former Member Parliament **Salma Siddiqui**, Head of Canadian Progressive Muslim Organizations

Me Arif Virani, Member of Parliament, Parliamentary Secretary for Heritage (Multiculturalism)

11:30-12:30 Lunch

Vanier Indigenous Circle: Mike Loft, Member of the Mohawk community

Mr. Lionel Perez, City Councillor – Darlington District, Member of the Executive Committee, Responsible for infrastructure, the electrical services commission, governance, democracy and government relations

12:30-1:30 Indigenous People: Justice and Accountability

Chair: Louise Otis, Former Judge of the Court of Appeals of Quebec, international mediator and arbitrator, Adjunct

Professor at McGill University Faculty of Law

Speaker: Senator Murray Sinclair

1:30-2:30 Education for Inclusiveness

Chair: Naomi Kramer, President of the Holocaust Education and Genocide Prevention Foundation

Speaker: Kimberly Mann, Chief of the Education Outreach Division of the United Nations Department of Public

Information Global Outreach, United Nations: Genocide Education

2:30-3:00 Break

3:00-4:30 Panel Discussion: Pursuing Justice for Political Prisoners

Moderator: Paul Karwatsky, CTV News

Ensaf Haidar, Human rights activist, wife of imprisoned Saudi Blogger Raif Badawi

Mireille Elchacar, Director of Amnesty International Éstrie region, Professor at University of Sherbrooke

Kate Barth, Legal Director of Freedom Now

Professor Irwin Cotler, Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights

4:30-5:00 Closing Remarks

Alan DeSousa, Mayor, Ville St. Laurent

Professor Irwin Cotler, Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights

Jay Rosenzweig, Member of the Board of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights, Vanier graduate

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