



School of Human Rights Research

On Wednesday 19 June 2013, **Professor Leila Sadat**, who is one of the world's leading experts on international criminal law, will give a presentation entitled:

Completing the Nuremberg Legacy: Towards a specialised Convention on Crimes against Humanity

Crimes against humanity were one of the three categories of crimes elaborated in the Nuremberg Charter. However, unlike genocide and war crimes, they were never set out in a comprehensive international convention. Prof. Sadat is the main engine behind an effort to complete the Nuremberg legacy by filling this gap in international law. She has set up the Crimes against Humanity Initiative, in which the world's leading international criminal law experts, both from practice and academia, take part. The Initiative, a multiyear project to study the problem of crimes against humanity, has resulted in a proposed convention, which is currently being considered by the International Law Commission.

Time: 5:30pm

Venue: Raadszaal, Achter Sint Pieter 200, 3512 HT Utrecht

After Professor Sadat prepared remarks there will be opportunity for Q&A. The meeting will be moderated by Tom Zwart, who is a professor of human rights at Utrecht University and the Director of the Netherlands School of Human Rights Research.

Drinks will be served after the discussion

Professor Leila Nadya Sadat is the Henry H. Oberschelp Professor of Law at Washington University School of Law and Director of the Whitney R. Harris World Law Institute. She is director and co-founder of the Summer Institute for International Law and Policy. She recently held the Alexis de Tocqueville Distinguished Fulbright Chair at the Université of Cergy Pontoise.

Prof. Sadat is an award-winning and prolific scholar with more than 75 articles and books to her name. Her publications include, among others, *Forging a Convention for Crimes Against Humanity* (2011) and *The International Criminal Court and the Transformation of International Law* (2002).

Prof. Sadat is a vice president of the International Law Association, American Branch, and created and chaired its International Criminal Court Committee for many years. In December 2012, she was named Special Adviser to ICC Prosecutor Fatou Bensouda for Crimes against Humanity.