

Symposium: 'War Amongst the People: A Critical Assessment'
The Royal Military Academy Sandhurst
30 June 2017

Venue: Chandler Lecture Theatre (Rm 102)
First Floor
Faraday Hall
RMAS

Programme

0830-0900: Arrival & tea/coffee

0900-0905: **Introduction & Welcome: Brigadier Bill Wright** (Deputy Commandant, RMAS)

0905-1000: **Opening Keynote Address: Prof Beatrice Heuser** (University of Reading): *'What is War?'*

Chair: Dr Norma Rossi (Defence & International Affairs, RMAS)

1000-1100: **Panel One: *Conceptual Debates & Critiques***

Lt Col Jyri Raitasalo (Finnish Ministry of Defence/Finnish National Defence University): *'War amongst the people': should we take it seriously?'*

Mr Alex Waterman (University of Leeds): *'Managing war amongst peoples'*

Maj Ian Wilson (Royal Regiment of Scotland): *'Factors influencing British public opinion in times of war'*

Chair: Maj Gen (ret) Andrew Sharpe/Col Martin Todd (Centre for Historical Analysis and Conflict Research)

1100-1130: Tea/coffee break

1130-1230: **Panel Two: *Practical Challenges***

Ms Whitney Grespin (King's College London/US Army War College): *'US sponsorship of contractor-delivered foreign internal defence and partner capacity-building efforts'*

Dr Vladimir Rauta (University of Portsmouth): *'The strategic value of interacting with proxies and auxiliaries in contemporary war'*

Dr Georgina Holmes (University of Reading): *'Enhancing operational effectiveness: pre-deployment training for tactical-level female military peacekeepers'*

Chair: Mr Sean McKnight (Director of Studies, RMAS)

1230-1330: Lunch

1330-1430: **Panel Three: *Legal Aspects***

Dr Andree-Anne Melancon (Defence and International Affairs, RMAS):

'Redefining the 'Combatant': Just War Theory and Direct Participation'

Lt Col Martin Gliniecki (Defence Equipment and Support): *'How can moral lessons from insurgency help to discern discrimination in modern asymmetric conflict?'*

Lt Col Grant Davies (Army Legal Service): *'Detention within non-international armed conflict'*

Chair: **Dr Martin Smith** (Defence and International Affairs, RMAS)

1430-1530: **Panel Four: *Policy and Operational Practice***

Lt Col James Chandler (77 Brigade): *'The British Army's Current Approach to Influence Operations'*

Maj John Bailey (Land Warfare Development Centre): *'The British Army's Human Security Doctrine and Tactics for Stability Operations'*

***Discussant:* Dr Ziya Meral (Centre for Historical Analysis and Conflict Research)**

Chair: **Dr David Brown** (Defence and International Affairs, RMAS)

1530-1540: **Closing Remarks: Ms Kirstin Howgate** (Howgate Publishing)