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FRIDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2026 | SARAJEVO

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(Obala Kulina bana 7/II, Sarajevo)

8.30 – 9.00 | REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

8.45 | PRESS STATEMENTS

9.00 – 9.30 | WELCOME AND OPENING ADDRESSES

Rectorate Grand Hall

- **Tarik Zaimović**, Rector of the University of Sarajevo
- **Muamer Džananović**, Director of the Institute for Research of Crimes Against Humanity and International Law, University of Sarajevo

Moderator: Merima Šemić

9.30 – 10.30 | PANEL I – RECTORATE GRAND HALL

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- **Zilha Mastalić Košuta** – Childhood Under Sniper Fire: Sarajevo and Mostar (1992–1995)
- **David Pettigrew** – When the Next Generation is Targeted: Remembering the children who were victims of war crimes in “Republika Srpska,” 1992-1995.
- **Merisa Karović-Babić** – The Killing of Pregnant Women and Babies: Bosnia and Herzegovina 1992–1995 and Gaza 2023–2026
- **Jasmin Medić** – The Children of Prijedor in 1992: Killings, Persecution, and the Consequences of Crimes
- **Hariz Halilovich** – Children Bearing Witness: Testimonial Literature on Childhood During War and Genocide in Bosnia and Herzegovina

10.30 – 10.45 | BREAK

10.45 – 11.45 | PANEL II – RECTORATE GRAND HALL

Moderator: Ermin Kuka

- **Hikmet Karčić** – The Killing of Minors in Natural Pits in Bosnia and Herzegovina (1992–1995)
- **Sunčica Hajdarović** – Wartime Sexual Violence Against Underage Girls in Bosnia and Herzegovina (1992–1995): Legal Classification, Patterns, and Challenges of Transitional Justice
- **Mujo Begić** – Crimes Against Children in Bosanska Krajina, 1992–1995
- **Elmida Burina** – Children from the Municipality of Stolac in Camps and Other Places of Forced Detention, 1993–1994
- **Amir Kliko** – The Killing of Children in Jajce and Šipovo in 1992 by the So-Called Army of Republika Srpska

10.45 – 11.45 | PANEL III – SENATE HALL

Moderator: Zilha Mastalić Košuta

- **Enis Omerović** – Child Soldiers in Armed Conflicts: International Legal Standards of Protection and the Question of Criminal Responsibility
- **Husejin Omerović** – Crimes Against the Children of Vlasenica, 1992–1995, with Reference to the Overall Demographic Losses of Bosniaks in the Municipality
- **Dželal Ibraković** – The Crime Against Children in the Maglaj–Tešanj Region
- **Elvedin Mulagić & Muamer Džananović** – War Crimes Against Children in Zvornik, 1992–1995
- **Benjamin Nurkić** – The Legal Status and Suffering of Underage Combatants During the Aggression Against the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (1992–1995) Through the Lens of Article 77 of the Additional Protocol and the Geneva Conventions

11.45 – 13.00 | LUNCH BREAK – UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO RECTORATE



13.00 – 14.00 | PANEL IV – RECTORATE GRAND HALL

Moderator: Hikmet Karčić

- **Vedad Gurda** – Trials for Wartime Rape of Children at the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- **Ermin Kuka** – Crimes Against Children in Višegrad (1992–1995): From Burning Alive to Artillery Terror
- **Mersiha Jaskić** – Hide and Seek: Childhood Interrupted in Prijedor's Camps
- **Almir Grabovica** – Crimes Against Children in the Municipality of Rogatica During the Aggression Against the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, 1992–1995

13.00 – 14.00 | PANEL V – SENATE HALL

Moderator: Merisa Karović-Babić

- **Ahmedina Smajlović** – The Impact of Transgenerational Trauma on the Socialization of Children from Srebrenica
- **Alma Hajrić-Čaušević** – The Transgenerational Transmission of Parental War Trauma and Its Impact on Their Children's Mental Health
- **Mustafa Dedović** – Children as Direct Victims of Genocidal Violence in Srebrenica, 1992–1995
- **Mirnes Halilović** – War Crimes Against Children in Zavidovići, 1992–1995
- **Muamer Džananović** – Crimes Against Children in Goražde During the Siege, 1992–1995: Research to Date and New Scholarly Insights

14.00 – 14.30 | COFFEE BREAK

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14.30 – 16.30 | PANEL DISCUSSION

“FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE TO COLLECTIVE MEMORY: VICTIMS’ VOICES AND SOCIETY’S RESPONSIBILITY”

Moderator: Merima Šemić

PARTICIPANTS:

- **Irena Antić-Sipović**, Sarajevo
- **Nedžad Avdić**, Srebrenica
- **Amer Đulić**, Chair of the Board of the Stolac Association of Camp Detainees
- **Ajna Jusić**, Sarajevo, President of the “Forgotten Children of War” Association
- **Fikret Grabovica**, Sarajevo, President of the Association of Parents of Children Killed During the Siege of Sarajevo, 1992–1995
- **Zijad Bečić**, Zecovi, Prijedor
- **Adisa Likić**, Stupni Do, Vareš
- **Adnan Zec**, Ahmići
- **Almasa Salihović**, Srebrenica Memorial Center

16.30 – 17.00 | DISCUSSION AND CLOSING OF THE CONFERENCE

17.00 | DINNER

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