



## International Law and Peace in Ukraine

Friday 17 – Sat. 18 April 2026

Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany

### Conference Programme

As of 16 April 2026

#### Friday, 17 April 2026: Conference Day 1

Venue: Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law (MPIL), Heidelberg, Room 038

Time	Format	Speaker(s)	Topic	Session Moderator
8:30-9:00	Registration			
9:00-9:15	Welcome	<b>Dr Wiebke Rückert</b> (Federal Foreign Office) <b>/ Prof. Anne Peters</b> (MPIL)		
9:15-10:00	Keynote	<b>Dr Anton Korynevych</b> (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine)	Keynote Address	
10:00	Coffee Break (15 min)			
<b>Session I: Structure of a Peace Agreement: Lessons from International Law and Practice</b>				
10:15-10:35	Talk (20 min)	<b>Prof. Sarah Nouwen</b> University of Cambridge	Peace Agreements: Problems and Potential	<b>Prof. Gregory Fox</b> Wayne State University
10:35-10:55	Talk (20 min)	<b>Dr Asli Ozcelik Olcay</b> University of Glasgow	Peace Agreements in Practice	
10:55-11:15	Talk (20 min)	<b>Prof. Ingrid Brunk</b> Vanderbilt University / <b>Prof. Monica Hakimi</b> Columbia University	The Prohibition of Annexations	
11:15-12:00	Discussion (45 min)			
12:00	Lunch Break (60 min)			
<b>Session II: Treaty Issues - Form and Validity</b>				
13:00-13:20	Talk (20 min)	<b>Prof. Gregory Fox</b> Wayne State University	The Validity of a Peace Treaty between Ukraine and Russia	<b>Prof. Anne Peters</b> MPIL
13:20-13:40	Talk (20 min)	<b>Dr Florian Kriener</b> MPIL / Yale University	The Role of the Security Council	
13:40-14:00	Talk (20 min)	<b>Dr Kristýna Urbanová</b> Charles University	Historical and Judicial Precedents regarding Treaty Invalidation	
14:00-14:45	Discussion (45 min)			
14:45	Coffee Break (45 min)			

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<b>Session III: Substantive Provision: Territory</b>				
15:30-15:50	Talk (20 min)	<b>Prof. Marc Weller</b> University of Cambridge	The Changing Structure and Content of the Emerging Ukraine Agreement	<b>Dr Florian Kriener</b> MPIL
15:50-16:10	Talk (20 min)	<b>Prof. Roman Petrov</b> National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy	Ukraine's Constitutional Law Dilemmas and a Peace Agreement	
16:10-16:30	Talk (20 min)	<b>Prof. Helmut Aust</b> Freie Universität Berlin	Special Economic Zones as Elements of Peacemaking	
16:30-17:00	Coffee Break			
17:00-17:45	Discussion			
17:45	Reception			
19:30	Dinner Speech (Prof Gregory Fox, Wayne State University) (upon invitation only)			

**Saturday, 18 April 2026**

**Conference Day 2**

Time	Format	Speaker(s)	Topic	Session Moderator
9:00-9:30	Registration			
<b>Session IV: Substantive Provisions: Accountability, Amnesties, Reparations, and Use of Assets</b>				
9:30-9:50	Talk (20 min)	<b>Dr Iryna Bogdanova</b> , Walther Schücking Inst, University of Kiel	Frozen Russian Assets and Ukraine's Reparation Claims	<b>Prof. Helmut Aust</b> FU Berlin
9:50-10:10	Talk (20 min)	<b>Dr Gleb Bogush</b> University of Cologne	Accountability	
10:10-10:30		<b>Dr Carolyn Moser</b> MPIL	Security Guarantees	
10:30-11:15	Discussion			
11:15-11:45	Coffee Break (30 min)			
11:45-12:00	<b>Dr Florian Kriener</b> MPIL/Yale University		Wrap-up	
12:00-12:30	General Discussion Session			
12:30-12:45	<b>Prof. Anne Peters</b> MPIL		Closing Remarks	

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