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## NEW PUBLICATION

### [Occupation](#)

With this latest edition, the *Review* aims to contribute to the discussion on whether the rules of occupation should be strengthened, clarified, or developed, by devoting the present edition to the subject of the grey areas and contentious issues arising from occupation law. We asked some of the most prominent experts on matters related to occupation to offer their perspective, whether historical, military, or legal, in order to explore six key questions. How and along what lines has occupation law developed? When does the invasion phase end and the duties of occupiers and the rights of people living under occupation begin? Is the law always suited to prolonged occupation? Is there any justification for changing the institutions and/or the laws of an occupied territory? What is the role of the military in the occupation of a territory? What is the role of human rights?

Vincent Bernard, *Editor-in-Chief*

## UPCOMING ISSUES

### • New Technologies and Warfare

Available online as of March

### • Business, Violence and Conflict

### • Violence against health care

### • SPECIAL EDITION - 150 years of humanitarian action

Articles available [here](#).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

# 150 years

of humanitarian action

In 2013, on the occasion of its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the ICRC will reflect on 150 years of humanitarian action and engage a variety of stakeholders in a global conversation around current humanitarian challenges, through a range of online and offline events.

A [special web page](#) on the *150 years of humanitarian action* contains a **historical timeline** with a selection of 24 key dates/periods of ICRC's history, as well as a section on **current humanitarian challenges**. An **archives' room** with a selection of over 500 public archives documents, photos, sound and video excerpts covering the history of the ICRC will also be made available to academics, the media, National Societies, and the wider public through the 150 years web page with a possibility to download (through a registration and password) high resolution content.

The *Review* is contributing to this reflection with a [special edition](#) with contributions from **key personalities** sharing their perspective on the organisation - including UN Secretary General Ban Ki Moon, UN High Commissioner for Refugees Antonio Guterres, EU Commissioner Kristalina Georgieva among others. A series of articles will also explore the history of humanitarian action as well as current legal and operational challenges. Some of these contributions will be available on the *Review* webpage from the anniversary date of 17 February, while others will be published throughout the year, so stay tuned!

## Special Live Web Seminar: Perspectives on the future of humanitarian action

**13 March - Save the date!**

The creation of the ICRC 150 years ago marks the beginning of modern humanitarianism. This anniversary represents an opportunity to reflect on the evolution not only of the ICRC, but of the humanitarian sector in general. It is also an occasion to critically assess how humanitarian organisations anticipate future crisis and challenges, while becoming more professional, adaptive and capable of engaging with new humanitarian actors.

Panelists will include:

- **Peter Maurer**, President of the ICRC
- **Fabrice Weissman**, Coordinator and Research Director at Fondation MSF
- **Jehangir Malik**, Director of Islamic Relief UK

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## CALL FOR PAPER

- **Multinational operations and the law - Summer 2013**

Deadline for submissions: End of April 2013

- **Scope of application of IHL - Autumn 2013**

Deadline for submission: End of May 2013

- **Respect for the Law**

Deadline for submissions: August 2013

- **1914 - 2014: The evolution of warfare**

Deadline for submissions: October 2013

## Panel Discussion: Humanitarian principles revisited? Current and future challenges

21 March, 6.00pm

Auditoire Jacques-Freymond, Parc Barton  
Rue de Lausanne 132, Geneva

On the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the ICRC, the *International Review of the Red Cross* and the Centre for Education and Research in Humanitarian Action (CERAH) convene a debate on current dilemmas in operationalising the principles of neutrality, impartiality, independence and humanity. What are the tensions within and between the principles? How do organisations apply the principles in practice? What are the challenges to the principles? Do "new" humanitarian actors interpret and apply the principles differently?

Panelists will include:

- **Philip Spoerri**, Director of International Law and Cooperation, ICRC
- **Bruno Jochum**, Director General, MSF Suisse
- **Hüseyin Oruç**, Deputy President, IHH Humanitarian Relief Foundation
- **Fiona Terry**, Independent researcher

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## RECENT EVENTS

### Review launch in Washington: discussing the Future of Humanitarian Action



On the 4th of December, ICRC Director of operations Pierre Krähenbühl joined Ambassador William J. Garvelink to launch the recently published edition of the Review on 'the Future of Humanitarian Action' at Washington's Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). During a discussion with US government representatives and major US NGOs, Mr. Krähenbühl analysed some of the key factors that will influence the future of humanitarian action and reflected on how best to address challenges and seize opportunities.

The complete recording of the event is available on the [Intercross blog](#)

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