Subterranean Challenges in War and Peace
The Inaugural Meeting of the International Working Group on Subterranean Warfare

December 15-17, 2019
ICD Campus, 8 Hulvaunsta St., Hardys
Registration is Required: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/outdoor/subterraneanwarfare

Day 1: Sunday, December 15th 2019
09:00 Gathering and Registration
09:30 Chair: Dr. Daphne Richendorn-Barak, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, and IIT, ICD Herzliya
Prof. Uriel Reichman, President and Founder, ICD Herzliya
Prof. Assaf Moghadam, Dean, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, and IIT, ICD Herzliya
Prof. Amnon Lehel, Dean, Harry Radzyner Law School, ICD Herzliya.
10:00 Keynote Address (TBA)
10:45 Coffee Break
11:15 Through The Ages: A Historical Look at Subterranean Warfare
Keynote Address by Dr. Jacob Stol, School of Advanced Military Studies
11:45 Visuals from the Philippines: A presentation by Maj. Emmanuel Sison, Modern War Institute
12:00 Technological Solutions to Subterranean Challenges
Keynote address by LTC Itai (MAMAT)
13:00 Lunch
14:00 Critical Thinking on Subterranean Issues and Future Trends
Keynote Address by Maj. Gen. Michael Edelstein, former IDF Military Attaché to the United States
14:30 Fighting In and Under Cities
Chair: Dr. Agnieszka Jachna-Jeune, Emmer Law School
Maj. (ret.) John Spencer, Modern War Institute
Randall Babcock, American Red Cross
Discussant: Dr. Daphne Richendorn-Barak, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, and IIT, ICD Herzliya
16:00 Coffee Break
16:30 360° Approach to Subterranean Challenges
Chair: Les Landman, Atkins Dan Institute for International Diplomacy, ICD Herzliya
Prof. Gilad Hirshberger, Baruch Institute of Psychology, ICD Herzliya
Prof. Dan Zakai, Baruch Institute of Psychology, ICD Herzliya
Dr. Moran Yarchi, Sammy Ofer School of Communications, and ICT, ICD Herzliya
LTC Rebecca White, International Law Branch, National Security Law Division, Office of the Judge Advocate General

Day 2: Monday, December 16th 2019
9:00 Gathering
9:20 What’s Unique about Underground Warfare, If At All?
This panel is organized in cooperation with IHL Clinics from ICD, Roma Tre University, Leiden Law School, and Emery Law.
Chair: Prof. Yoram Shachar, Harry Radzyner Law School, ICD Herzliya
Prof. Sasha Rudin, Uker Institute of Law and Land Warfare
Prof. Laurie R. Blank, Emery Law School
Prof. Yishai Beer, Harry Radzyner Law School, ICD Herzliya
Prof. Rivka Weil, Harry Radzyner Law School, ICD Herzliya
Maj. (ret.) John Spencer, Modern War Institute
11:00 Coffee break
11:30 Are All Tunnels Created Equal? Conceptualizing Tunnel Warfare
Chair: Dr. Idit Shafran Gittelman, Israel Democracy Institute
IDF (TBA)
Ron Ben-Yishai, Yedioth Ahronot
Michael Meier, Special Assistant to the Judge Advocate General for Law of War Matters, U.S. Army
Prof. Daniel Statman, Department of Philosophy, Halls University
13:00 Lunch followed by a conversation with Col. (ret) Yuval Bazaz, Doctoral Expert, Chief of Staff of the Gulf Division
14:00 Operation Northern Shield
Keynote Address by LTC Avi Amir, IDF
14:30 Encounter with a Tunnel
A personal account by Achsia Klein, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, ICD Herzliya
14:45 Closing Plenary: Contending with Underground Threats
Chair: Col. (ret) Miri Einot, IIT, ICD Herzliya
Col. (ret) Patrick Mahoney, former commander of the Asymmetrical Warfare Group Maj. Halvy Mergui, Bled Airborne Division, U.S. Army
Dr. Raanan Scher, Geomorphology and Portable Luminescence Laboratory, Ben Gurion University
Col. (ret) Alex Shekhter, former Commander of Yahalom, IDF