"Art trafficking and restitution"



Lessons learned from Cyprus and Afghanistan

16 September 2013, Peace Palace, The Hague

Roundtable organised by Walk of Truth (WoT)

PROGRAM

Chairman: Prof. Dr. Wouter Veraart, Professor of Legal Philosophy, VU University, Amsterdam

The day sessions will be mapped by **Mrs. Karen de Cock**, Belgian Federal Police / Local Police Aalst, thus identifying key moments, problems and opportunities

MORNING SESSION

09.00 - 09.30

Welcoming remarks by Mr. Steven van Hoogstraten, Co-initiator, General Director of the Carnegie Foundation, organizer of the November 2004 Conference on Illegal Trade – Fighting Illicit traffic in cultural goods within the European Union

Statement by Mrs. Androulla Vassiliou, Member of the European Commission, responsible for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth

Key-note by Prof. Dr. Willy Bruggeman, Co-initiator: Old debate, new method – on mapping as a means of finding truth

09.30 - 10.00

Lessons learned from Cyprus

'Working with Cyprus, Looting & Restitution, 1974 - 2013' Introduction: Mrs. Tasoula Hadjitofi-Georgiou, Initiator of the roundtable, Founder of Walk of Truth

10.00 - 11.00

'The Lans case or the 4 Apostles of Antiphonitis church'

Presentation by Mr. Rob Polak followed by debate under his guidance

11.00 - 11.30

BREAK

11.30 - 13.00

'The Munich Case'

Presentation by Mr. Thomas Kline followed by debate under his guidance

13.00 - 14.00

LUNCH (offered by Mr. Steven van Hoogstraten)

AFTERNOON SESSION

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14.00 – 14.20

Mr. Omar Said Sultan, 'The Preservation of Afghanistan's Cultural Heritage'

14.20 - 14.40

Prof. Dr. Norman Palmer, 'The Legal issues of Art Trafficking and Restitution'

14:40 - 15.00

Mr. Robert Kluijver, 'How the Kabul Museum Collection Survived the Looting (1992 - 2001)'

15.00 – 15.30

Discussion on Afghanistan, facilitated by Mr. Bruce Clark, The Economist

15.30 - 16.00

BREAK

16.30 - 17.30

Comparatative analysis and debate, led by Prof. Dr. Wouter Veraart

17.30 - 17.45

Closing remarks, Mrs. Tasoula Hadjitofi, Walk of Truth

17.45 - 19.00

DRINKS

20.00

DINNER AT RESTAURANT 'PLATO', THE HAGUE (offered by the Hadjitofi family) (Plato, Frederikstraat 32, Den Haag)



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Process Facilitator / **Mapping Expert:** Prof. Dr. Willy Bruggeman with Mrs. Karen de Cock (*Process Manager - Coordinator at Belgian Federal Police | Local Police Aalst*)

INITIATORS / SPEAKERS / FACILITATORS

- Ms. Tasoula Hadjitofi Founder of Walk of Truth, Activist, Entrepreneur
- Prof. Dr. Willy Bruggeman, Co-initiator, Chairman of the Belgian Federal Police Council and former Deputy Director of Europol
- Mr. Steven van Hoogstraten, Co-initiator, General Director Carnegie Foundation (Peace Palace), Treasurer - The Hague Academy of International Law
- Mr. Bruce Clark, Journalist on culture and faith, The Economist
- Mr. Thomas Kline, Of Counsel at Andrew Kurth Attorneys and Assistant Professorial Lecturer in Museum Studies at George Washington University
- Mr. Robert Kluijver Expert on Afghanistan, Contemporary Art and Geopolitics, Author of Gulf Art Guide
- Prof. Dr. Norman Palmer CBE QC, Barrister, Visiting Professor of Law at King's College, London
- Mr. Rob Polak, Legal Expert Art and Law
- Mr. Omar Said Sultan, Senior Advisor to Minister of Information and Culture, Afghanistan

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS - alphabetically ordered

- Mr. Jos van Beurden, PhD Researcher on Restitution, Colonial Cultural Objects
- Mr. Serge Brammertz, Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia
- Prof. Dr. Willy Bruggeman, Co-initiator, Chairman of the Belgian Federal Police Council and former Deputy Director of Europol
- Ms. Evelien Campfens, Executive Secretary of the Dutch Restitutions Committee
- Mr. Bruce Clark, Journalist on culture and faith, The Economist
- Ms. Karen de Cock, Process manager Coordinator at Belgium Federal Police/ Local Police Aalst
- Ambassador Juan Prat y Coll, former DG European Commission, Special Adviser Fipra International, member of Europa Nostra, partner of Ibervecro SL Strategic Consultants
- Ms. Leontine van Thiel Coovels, antique art collector, member of Europa Nostra
- Mr. Dirk Deklerck, Europol, Business continuity manager
- Ms. Angela Dellebeke (MA), Secretary General, Blue Shield, The Netherlands
- Mr. Joost Dirkzwager, Dutch diplomat, friend of Walk of Truth

- Dr. Enno Engbers, Lawyer engaged in Munich civil case as the legal representative of the Cyprus Government
- Mr. Martin Finkelnberg, Head of the Art and Antiques Crime Unit, Netherlands National Police Force
- Ms. Gerda Frankenhuis, Journalist, De Telegraaf
- Ms. Pauline Genee, former Dutch diplomat, author, friend of Walk of Truth
- Ms. Corien Glaudemans, Senior Researcher at the Municipal Archives, The Hague
- Mr. Erhan Gurer, Turcologist, author, friend of Walk of Truth
- Mr. Barend (Bas) ter Haar, Senior Research Fellow at the Clingendael Institute, former Dutch ambassador to UNESCO
- Ms. Tasoula Hadjitofi, Founder of Walk of Truth, Activist, Entrepreneur
- Mr. Helmut Hetzel, foreign correspondent, former president of the Foreign Press Association in the Netherlands, European Journalism Award 1997
- Ms. Catherine Hickley, Arts Correspondent, Bloomberg News
- Mr. Steven van Hoogstraten, Co-initiator, General Director Carnegie Foundation (Peace Palace),
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- Mr. Victor Kasprowicz, Trainee Cultural Emergency Response, Prince Claus Fund

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- Mr. Peter Kitschler, Former Head of Kunstkriminale, Bavaria, Munich
- Mr. Dirk Klaassen, Legal Counsel at the International Law Division of The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Ms. Claudia Kammer, Editor at NRC Handelsblad
- Mr. Thomas Kline, Of Counsel at Andrew Kurth Attorneys and Assistant Professorial Lecturer in Museum Studies at George Washington University
- Ms. Emily Kline, History and Spanish graduate,
 She has attended conferences concerning art theft
 and restitution issues in Boston, Massachusetts, Paris,
 France, Spain and elsewhere
- Mr. Robert Kluijver, Expert on Afghanistan, Contemporary Art and Geopolitics, Author of Gulf Art Guide
- Mr. Nick Kounoupias, Lawyer, international justice and cultural property
- H.E. Mr. Kyriacos Kouros, Ambassador of Cyprus to The Netherlands
- Mr. Michael Kyprianou (Represented by Menelaos Kyprianou), Cypriot Lawyer involved in the Kanakaria case
- Mr. Milko den Leeuw, Atelier voor Restoratie en Research Schilderijen, Expert on authenticity
- Mr. Frans van der Leeuw, Networker, Authentication in Art (AiA)
- Ms. Zuozhen Liu, Researcher, Constitutional and Adminstrative Law, University of Amsterdam
- Dr. Katja Lubina, Researcher in Law and Arts & Culture, PhD thesis on 'Contested Cultural Property' including the 'Lans Case'
- Mr. Stephan Metzner, Director of Photography, Cameraman
- Ms. Sneska Quaedvlieg-Mihailovic, Director, Europa Nostra

- Ms. Meropi Moiseos, Journalist, Politis Newspaper Cyprus
- H.E. Mr. Enayatullah Nabiel, Ambassador of Afghanistan to The Netherlands
- Mr. Tim Neshitov, Journalist, Süddeutsche Zeitung
- Prof. Dr. Norman Palmer, CBE QC, Barrister, Visiting Professor of Law at King's College, London
- Ms. Leto Cariolou-Pieters, Associate Legal Officer at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia
- Mr. Antonios Pikis, Representative of Bishop of Famagusta
- Mr. Rob Polak, Legal Expert Art and Law
- Ms. Anna Prokopiou, President of the International Association for the Promotion of Women of Europe (AIPFE)
- Mr. William Rosato, Senior Investigator, Office of Investigation, International Criminal Court
- Mr. Bernd Rossbach, Director Specialised Crimes and Analysis, Interpol
- Ms. Marina Schiza, Journalist, Phileleftheros Newspaper Cyprus
- Ms. Deborah Stolk, Coordinator Cultural Emergency Response, Prince Claus Fund
- Mr. Omar Said Sultan, Senior Advisor to Minister of Information and Culture, Afghanistan
- Mr. Ehsan Turabaz, Honorary Consul-General of Afghanistan
- Mr. Robert J. Quarles van Ufford, Secretary General, Netherlands National Commission for Unesco
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