

TARGETING COURSE

The objective of the Targeting Course is to provide participants with an understanding of the legal considerations associated with targeting in military operations.

The Course examines the legal and operational parameters of the targeting process. To facilitate understanding, participants will conduct exercises taking them through a targeting process from planning and execution to battle damage assessment.

At the conclusion of the course participants will understand, and be able to identify and apply:

- (1) The purpose and process of targeting
- (2) The legal framework and distinctions between targeting *ad bellum*, human rights, and *in bello*
- (3) Legal principles and framework of targeting
- (4) Legal analysis of complex targets
- (5) Special legal considerations for dynamic and time sensitive targeting
- (6) Responses to targeting incidents and potential LOAC violations

This five-day Targeting Course is an intensive course, at the unclassified level, designed for planners, policy advisors, military and civilian legal counsel, and operators (commanders, leaders, targeteers, JFACs) advising on or prosecuting targets at the tactical, operational, and strategic levels.

ADMINISTRATION

The registration fee is €1000 Euro. This should be remitted before the start of the course, or on arrival in cash or Euro currency cheque or credit card.

The registration fee covers:

- Transport from/to Airport
- Lunches and coffee breaks on working days
- Icebreaker and Workshop dinner
- Course materials
- Course Photograph and Diploma

Transfers to/from airport to Sanremo will be arranged. Details of timings for this service will be provided as part of the registration process.

The registration fee does not cover all other expenses incurred by the participant such as hotel accommodation, laundry or telephone calls. Participants must ensure that they bring with them sufficient funds to pay for such expenses.

Queries on the Course including registration and administrative questions should be directed to: patrizia@iihl.org (in cc: carolina.paizs@iihl.org). For further information please consult our website www.iihl.org



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Targeting Course 26th – 30th September, 2022



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Monday, 26 September 2022

08.30-09.00	Registration
09.00-09.15	Opening Ceremony
	Col, Mark Dakers , Director, Military Department, IIHL
09.15-09.30	Course Introduction Col Dakers
09.30-10.00	Introduction to the Targeting Process
10.00-10.20	<i>Morning Coffee</i>
10.20-12.30	LOAC Principles Col Dakers
12.30-13.30	<i>Lunch</i>
13.30-15.00	End State and Commanders Objectives
15.00-15.20	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
15.20-16.20	Target Development and Prioritization
16.20-17.00	Exercise 1 Lawful Targets
17.15	<i>Icebreaker</i>

Tuesday, 27 September 2022

08.30-08.45	Administrative Notes and Day 1 Wrap Up
08.45-10.00	Principle of Distinction
10.00-10.30	<i>Morning Coffee</i>
10.30-12.00	Precautions and Proportionality
12.00-13.00	Military Objectives. Stretching the Envelope
13.00-14.00	<i>Lunch</i>
14.00-14.45	Capabilities Analysis and Force Assignment (Including Lethal and Non-Lethal Targeting)
14.45-15.00	Scenario introduction Col Dakers
15.00-15.20	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>

15.20-16.15	Exercise 2 Part I Prepare target development and prioritization brief
16.15-17.15	Exercise 2 Part II Brief on target development and prioritization

Wednesday, 28 September 2022

08.30-08.45	Administrative notes and Day 2 Wrap Up
08.45-10.00	Mission Execution: Target Validation and Assessment
10.00-10.20	<i>Morning Coffee</i>
10.20-10.50	Dynamic Targeting
10.50-11.30	Cyber Targeting Col Dakers
11.30-12.30	Targeting and HR Law 1
12.30-13.30	<i>Lunch</i>
13.30-14.30	Targeting and HR Law 2 & 3 Prof Hampson
14.30-15.00	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
15.00-16.20	Exercise 3 Part I
16.20-17.00	Exercise 3 Part II

Thursday, 29 September 2022

09.00-09.15	Administrative notes and Day 3 Wrap Up
09.15-10.00	Investigations
10.00-10.20	<i>Morning Coffee</i>
10.20-11.00	Precautions in the Urban Environment
11.00-12.00	Kunduz Case Study
11.30-12.30	Target Boards
12.30-13.30	<i>Lunch</i>

13.30-14.00	Target Board Exercise Introduction
14.00-15.00	Cyber and Deception
15.00-16.00	Cyber and the Grey Zone
16.00-16.15	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
16.15-17.00	Target Board Exercise Syndicate Preparation
20.00	<i>Dinner</i>

Friday, 30 September 2022

08.45-09.00	Administrative notes and Day 4 Wrap Up
09.00-10.00	Target Board Briefs and AAR
10.00-10.20	<i>Morning Coffee</i>
10.20-11.40	Targeting and Future Weapons Lt Col Williams
11.40-12.00	Q and A
12.00-12.30	Closing Ceremony
12.30-13.30	<i>Lunch and departure</i>