Professor Sir Nigel Rodley KBE
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MEMORIAL CONFERENCE

Thursday 28 September 2017
9:00am – 5:15pm

Firstsite, Lewis Gardens
High Street, Colchester
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PROGRAMME

09:30 - 10:00 Opening session
Welcome by Professor Karen Hulme, Head of the School of Law, University of Essex
Address on behalf of the Human Rights Centre by the Acting Director, Dr. Clara Sandoval, University of Essex
Keynote speaker Ian Martin, Executive Director, Security Council Report and Former Secretary General of Amnesty International

10:00 - 11:15 Nigel’s vision of Human Rights and Public International Law
Chair: Professor Sheldon Leader, School of Law and Human Rights Centre, University of Essex
Professor Françoise Hampson, School of Law and Human Rights Centre, University of Essex
Professor Başak Çali, Hertie School of Governance and Director of the Center for Global Public Law, Koç University (Turkey).
Scott Sheeran, Fellow, School of Law and Human Rights Centre, and Director, International Branch, Ministry of Defence, New Zealand

11:15 - 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 - 13:00 Nigel and the United Nations Human Rights Machinery
Chair: Dr. Ahmed Shaheed, School of Law and Human Rights Centre, University of Essex
Cees Flinterman, Emeritus Professor, Utrecht University School of Law and Maastricht University Faculty of Law
Professor Yuval Shany, Hersch Lauterpacht Chair in Public International Law, Faculty of Law, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Mona Rishmawi, Chief of the Rule of Law, Equality and Non-Discrimination Branch, OHCHR
Theo van Boven, Honorary Professor of International Law, Faculty of Law, Maastricht University (video)

13:00 - 14:15 Lunch
In the restaurant at Firstsite.

14:15 - 15:30 Nigel on Combating torture
Chair: Professor Geoff Gilbert, School of Law and Human Rights Centre, University of Essex
Professor Lorna McGregor, School of Law and Human Rights Centre, University of Essex
Dr. Matt Pollard, Senior Legal Adviser, International Commission of Jurists
Professor Juan Mendez, Washington College of Law, American University (video)

15:30 - 15:45 Coffee break

15:45 - 17:00 Looking at the future
Chair: Professor Paul Hunt, School of Law and Human Rights Centre, University of Essex
Dr. Carla Ferstman, Director, REDRESS
Ann Hannah, Director of Policy and Advocacy, Freedom from Torture
Dr Ian Seiderman, Legal and Policy Director, International Commission of Jurists

17:00 - 17:30 Closing session
Keynote speaker Professor Noam Lubell, School of Law and Human Rights Centre, University of Essex
Video presentation

17:30 - 18:30 Drinks reception
Human Rights in the Picture, in close collaboration with the Human Rights Centre, are crowdfunding to create a documentary to celebrate the remarkable life story of Professor Sir Nigel Rodley, and his outstanding achievements to inspire, teach and shape new generations of students and human rights practitioners.


Many thanks