



**ENTRi**  
EUROPE'S NEW TRAINING INITIATIVE FOR CIVILIAN CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Course Programme \*  
for the for the  
SPECIALISATION COURSE on:

# Introduction to Rule of Law

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**Day 1 – Introduction to Rule of Law**

<b>SESSION</b>	<b>LECTURER</b>	<b>METHOD</b>	<b>MODULE</b>	<b>LEARNING OBJECTIVES</b>
Opening				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Official Course Opening</li> </ul>
Welcome and introduction to the course Presentation of the ENTRi programme In-test		Introduction Plenary		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Familiarization with ENTRi and its approach</li> <li>- Introduction to course participants and trainers and their expectations</li> <li>- Gaining an overview of the course, its topics, methodology, and the logistics.</li> </ul>
Introduction to Rule of Law: conceptual framework, meanings of terms and concepts		Presentation Discussion	I Introduction to Rule of Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding key concepts, universal principles, various approaches to RoL</li> <li>- Awareness of current trends, debates, challenges of the conceptual framework</li> <li>- Learning about mandates in peacekeeping missions</li> </ul>
Current norms and standards		Presentation Discussion	I Introduction to Rule of Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Learning about International Human Rights Law and international institutions</li> <li>- Acknowledging link between good governance and the RoL</li> <li>- Exploring the importance of national ownership and principles for engagement</li> </ul>
Tour de Table (facilitated discussion)		Conference Discussion Sharing of experiences	I Introduction to Rule of Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reflecting on, analysing and discussing the previous topic</li> <li>- Sharing experiences</li> </ul>

**Day 2 – Actors and mandates & transitional justice**

<b>SESSION</b>	<b>LECTURER</b>	<b>METHOD</b>	<b>MODULE</b>	<b>LEARNING OBJECTIVES</b>
Rule of Law reform on the ground and Reality Checks I		Presentation Discussion	II Actors and mandates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Getting to know international and regional actors and their mandates and understand their role on the ground</li> <li>- Exploring alternative dispute resolution</li> <li>- Mapping different actors' policies and tools on the ground</li> <li>- Reflecting on challenges of re-establishing RoL</li> </ul>
Rule of Law reform on the ground and Reality Checks II		Presentation Discussion	II Actors and mandates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Learning about cooperation and coordination between international actors, local actors and NGOs</li> <li>- Exploring RoL from a field perspective</li> </ul>
Introduction to transitional justice		Presentation Discussion	III Transitional justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding mechanisms and challenges of transitional justice</li> <li>- Learning how to link formal and informal justice mechanisms</li> <li>- Analysing the contribution of TJ mechanisms to strengthening the RoL at a local level</li> </ul>
International and local criminal justice		Presentation Discussion	III Transitional justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Getting to know the core international crimes and the roles and mandates of international courts and tribunals</li> <li>- Discussing states' obligations to prosecute international crimes and overview of national trials</li> <li>- Reflecting on international, domestic and hybrid criminal justice</li> </ul>

**Day 3 – Transitional justice & tools and methods in the field**

<b>SESSION</b>	<b>LECTURER</b>	<b>METHOD</b>	<b>MODULE</b>	<b>LEARNING OBJECTIVES</b>
Capacity development		Presentation Discussion	III Transitional justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Learning about the goals and challenges of TJ</li> <li>- Discussing necessary mechanisms and skills for national trials, victim and witness support, and witness protection</li> <li>- Exploring potential spill-over effects of TJ on RoL</li> </ul>
Transitional justice		Group discussion	III Transitional justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussing the previous topic and internalize the learnings</li> </ul>
Ethic principles and risk assessments		Presentation Discussion	IV Operational responses and practical tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Familiarisation with core ethic principles</li> <li>- Assessing risks in an international context</li> </ul>
Monitoring and advising on Rule of Law		Presentation Discussion	IV Operational responses and practical tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Familiarisation with key concepts and definitions</li> <li>- Understanding the role of monitoring, mentoring and advising in peace operations</li> </ul>

**Day 4 – Tools and methods in the field**

<b>SESSION</b>	<b>LECTURER</b>	<b>METHOD</b>	<b>MODULE</b>	<b>LEARNING OBJECTIVES</b>
Monitoring and advising on Rule of Law		Presentation Discussion	IV Operational responses and practical tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding key concepts and definitions</li> <li>- Learning about the role of monitoring, mentoring and advising in peace operations</li> </ul>
Tour de Table on monitoring and advising on Rule of Law		Conference Discussion	IV Operational responses and practical tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reflecting on, analysing and discussing the previous topic</li> </ul>
Reporting		Presentation Discussion	IV Operational responses and practical tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding the importance of reporting and knowledge management</li> <li>- Getting to know relevant practical tools</li> </ul>
Anti-corruption in the context of Rule of Law		Presentation Discussion	IV Operational responses and practical tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding forms and causes of corruption</li> <li>- Exploring international regulatory frameworks and tools in the area of anti-corruption</li> <li>- Learning about anti-corruption interventions in RoL reform</li> </ul>

**Day 5 – Rule of Law enforcement by sectors**

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Anti-corruption in the context of Rule of Law		Group Exercise	IV Operational responses and practical tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding forms and causes of corruption</li> <li>- Exploring international regulatory frameworks and tools in the area of anti-corruption</li> <li>- Learning about anti-corruption interventions in RoL reform</li> </ul>
Security sector reform		Presentation Discussion	V Rule of Law enforcement by sectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Learning about current challenges, developments, purpose and principles of (comprehensive) security sector reform</li> <li>- Linking reforms in the security sector to RoL</li> <li>- Explore the role of different security sector actors with regards to RoL</li> </ul>
Q&A Evaluation and conclusions Out-test		Discussion Evaluation forms		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clarify remaining queries</li> <li>- Evaluate the course and get feedback</li> <li>- Assess the participants' learning progress in Out-test</li> </ul>