



The Acting Assistant Foreign Minister for Security Policy, Ambassador Branimir Filipovic, and the Head of the Department of International Legal Affairs, Ambassador Slavoljub Caric, participated in the panel discussion "International Humanitarian Law – Contemporary Challenges" as part of a two-day seminar on international humanitarian law hosted by the Serbian Red Cross, with the support of the International Committee of the Red Cross Regional Delegation in Belgrade.

Ambassador Filipovic spoke about the key issues of security policy, particularly those in the field of arms export controls, disarmament and combating proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, including the application of treaties in these fields to which Serbia was a party. Ambassador Caric elaborated on international legal aspects of international humanitarian law, including the relationship of this branch of law with international human rights law and treaty law, while providing examples from the international jurisprudence.

Panellists who were welcomed by the President of the Serbian Red Cross organization, Prof Dr Dragan Radovanovic, included Prof Dr Vanja Rokvic of the Faculty of Security Studies, as well as Major Negovan Ivankovic, PhD, Associate Professor at the Military Academy.

The panel discussion, being held on this topic for a number of consecutive years, with regular attendance of representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is aimed at encouraging student interest in this area, and contributing to better understanding and acceptance of this branch of law.

The audiences included students of Law Faculties of Belgrade, Kragujevac, Novi Sad, and Nis, Faculty of Political Science in Belgrade, Faculty of Security Studies in Belgrade, the Military Academy, Faculty of Business and Law Studies in Belgrade, Faculty of Law for Commerce and Judiciary in Novi Sad, State University of Novi Pazar, as well as representatives of the Commissariat for Refugees and Displaced Persons.