

2019 Spring School
Confronting the Truth: the Functions and Practices
of Truth Commissions
2 – 4 April 2019

Tuesday 2 April	Wednesday 3 April	Thursday 4 April
09:00 – 09:30 Participants Arrival and Registration	09:00 – 09:30 Overview of the Day	08:30 – 09:00 Overview of the Day
09:30 – 09:45 Welcome Marco Sassòli, Director, Geneva Academy	09:30-11:00 Session 5 – Working Groups Working Group Sessions	09:00-10:30 Session 8 – Drafting of Enabling Legislation Drafting Committee Sessions
09:45 – 10:00 Presentation Frank Haldemann and Thomas Unger, Co-Directors, MAS in Transitional Justice, Human Rights and the Rule of Law, Geneva Academy	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
10:00 – 11:00 Session 1 – Truth Seeking: In Pursuit of the Truth in the Face of Denial Overview and Lessons Learnt Howard Varney, Practicing Advocate at the Johannesburg Bar and Senior Programme Adviser at the International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ)	11:30 – 12:30 Session 5 – Working Groups Working Group Sessions	11:00 – 12:00 Session 8 – Drafting of Enabling Legislation Drafting Committee Sessions
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Coffee Break	14:00-16:00 Session 6: Report Back Group Presentations & Debate	14:00 – 15:30 Session 9 – Report Back Group Presentations
11:30 – 12:30 Session 2 – The Mandate and Functions of Truth Commissions Designing Truth Commissions Howard Varney	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
Lunch Break	16:30 – 17:30 Session 7 – Drafting Committees Composition and organization of Drafting Committees	16:00 – 17:00 Session 10 – Closing Remarks Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks Frank Haldemann, Thomas Unger and Howard Varney
14:00 – 15:00 Session 3 – Outlook Actors and Impact Howard Varney		
Coffee Break		
15:30 – 16:30 Session 4 – Case Study Presentation of Case Study and Identification of Groups		