

The Rome Statute Ten Years On: Where to from here for the ICC?

Presented by Mrs Fatou Bensouda
Deputy Prosecutor and Prosecutor Elect, International Criminal Court

Mrs Fatou Bensouda of the Gambia, currently Deputy Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (ICC), has been elected to succeed Chief Prosecutor Luis Moreno-Ocampo when his nine-year term expires in the middle of 2012.

Mrs Bensouda will assume the role of Prosecutor of the ICC at a critical stage of the Court's history. ' [I am]... committed to the goals of the Court and the legal mandate entrusted to the Prosecutor to end impunity for those responsible for the gravest offenses, bringing justice to their victims, and preventing future crimes'.

In her lecture she will discuss some of the challenges she expects to face in consolidating the current cases before the Court, all seven of which involve

African countries, gaining custody of indicted accused still at large and in extending the Court's caseload to other regions of the world.

Previous to her current appointment (2004) to the ICC, Mrs Bensouda held a number of senior government positions in the Gambia. Between 1987 and 1993, she was successively Public Prosecutor, Senior State Counsel, and Principal State Counsel. Subsequently she served as Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions, and Solicitor-General and Legal Secretary of the Gambia before her appointment as Attorney-General and Minister of Justice of the Gambia (1998-2000). She also acted as Senior Legal Adviser and Head of the Legal Advisory Unit of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (2002-2004).



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EVENT DETAILS

Date: Friday 17 February, 2012
Time: 6pm – 7.30pm
Venue: Melbourne Law School, 185 Pelham Street, Carlton

Registration is required for this free public lecture.
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