



## **INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW: A PRIMER FOR PROFESSIONALS**

8:40-9:00 AM	<b>Check-in</b>
9:00-9:20 AM	<b>Introduction</b>
9:20-9:40 AM	<b>Module 1: Introduction to International Humanitarian Law and the Red Cross Global Network</b>
9:40-10:50 AM	<b>Module 2: History of IHL, the Geneva Conventions, and Conflict Classification</b>
10:50-11:00 AM	<b>Break</b>
11:00-12:15 PM	<b>Module 3 – Part 1: Status of Persons</b>
12:15-1:15 PM	<b>Lunch</b>
1:15-2:00 PM	<b>Module 3 – Part 2: Direct Participation in Hostilities and Status of Objects</b>
2:00-3:00 PM	<b>Module 4: The Four Fundamental Principles of IHL, Means and Methods of Warfare, and Precautions by the Parties to the Conflict</b>
3:00-3:10 PM	<b>Break</b>
3:10-4:20 PM	<b>Module 5: Special Protection of Persons and Objects, and Consequences of Violating IHL</b>
4:20-4:30 PM	<b>Module 6: Wrap Up</b>



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### **Trainer Biographies**



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