

## **Reflections on the ‘Trump doctrine’: The US election, US foreign policy and the *jus ad bellum***

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020, 1.00 pm**

**International Law and Human Rights Unit Online Event**

This webinar uses the opportunity of the US general election on 3<sup>rd</sup> November to reflect critically on the relationship between the Trump Presidency (in retrospect or at the half-way point), international law generally, and the *jus ad bellum* in particular. Speakers will address the topic from a variety of perspectives.

**Chair: Dr Ben Murphy**

Ben is a Lecturer in Law and Deputy Director of the International Law and Human Rights Research Unit at the University of Liverpool. His research interests lie in the fields of international law and the use of force, collective security law, and the law and theory of international institutions.

**Danielle Rae Reeder, *The Trump Presidency in Reflection: Jus Ad Bellum, Peace, Security and the Rules-Based Order***

Danielle is a doctoral researcher at the University of Liverpool. Her research maps the implications of Brexit on future security arrangements between the UK and the EU, while further assessing evolving legal understandings of collective security. Danielle participates in several research units including the Global, EU & UK Public Law Unit; the International Law and Human Rights Unit, and the Critical Approaches to Criminal International Law Unit. Before joining the University of Liverpool, Danielle received an LLM (Distinction) from the University of Manchester and served as a graduate intern at the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) on the Cyber, Space and Future Conflicts programme.

**Katie Johnston, *The Trump Administration’s Justifications for the Use of Force***

Katie is a DPhil (PhD) student at the University of Oxford. Her research investigates how the law on the use of force by states (*jus ad bellum*) may be modified.

**Dr Luca Ferro, *Trump v. Soleimani: The Role of International Lawyers in Constraining Bellicose Governments***

Luca is a postdoctoral researcher at the Ghent Rolin-Jaequemyns International Law Institute (GRILI) of Ghent University (Belgium) and a former Visiting Scholar at the Columbia Law School. In 2019, Luca defended his doctoral dissertation on *International ‘Intervention’ in Theory and in Practice* which is devoted to assessing the legality of foreign involvement in the internal and external affairs of states through a varied set of case studies.