

Dr. Elisenda Calvet-Martinez:

Elisenda Calvet-Martínez is an Associate Professor of International Law at the University of Barcelona where she co-directs the Legal Clinic for the Fight against Impunity and Human Rights. She has been recently appointed the Delegate of the Rector for the promotion of the Faculty 18 of the University of Barcelona, an institutional and academic platform to support and collaborate with the Palestinian Universities. She also serves on the Executive Board of the International Association of Genocide Scholars (IAGS).

Calvet-Martínez has worked for the Spanish Red Cross, the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, and the UN Human Rights Office. Her research interests include transitional justice, enforced disappearances, genocide, human rights, international humanitarian law, and international criminal law. Calvet-Martínez has also been involved in the Ukraine Peace Settlement Project at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge.

In addition, she has trained Spanish judges and prosecutors on topics such as transitional justice and human rights and has served as a judge in the Permanent People's Tribunal for Women in Afghanistan.

Dr. Orzala Nemat:

Dr Orzala Ashraf Nemat is an internationally recognised Afghan scholar, civil society activist and advocate for women's rights with decades of experience in research, development and human rights. She holds a PhD in Development Studies from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, and an MSc in Development Planning from University College London. Dr Nemat's early life was shaped by conflict: she spent fourteen years as a war refugee in Pakistan, where she began her work supporting marginalised communities, especially women and children, through grassroots educational and protection programmes. Throughout her career, she has founded and led organisations dedicated to women's leadership and youth empowerment, served on governance boards of development bodies, and represented Afghan civil society at numerous international forums. Between 2016 and 2022 she was Director of the Afghanistan Research and Evaluation Unit (AREU), the country's leading research think tank. She also briefly served as an adviser to the Afghan president on sub-national governance and is a trustee of Afghanaid, a British humanitarian charity. Dr Nemat has been recognised with fellowships and awards including selection as a Yale Greenberg World Fellow, a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader, and honours for her work in women's education and humanitarian aid. In October 2025, Dr Nemat served as one of the prosecutors at the People's Tribunal for the Women of Afghanistan, a session convened under the Permanent People's Tribunal

framework in Madrid. In this role she helped prepare and present the indictment against the Taliban regime's systematic violations of Afghan women's rights, including restrictions on access to healthcare and other fundamental freedoms, framing these as crimes under international human rights norms. Her work at the tribunal involved analysing evidence and survivor testimonies to articulate legal and moral cases against gender-based persecution in Afghanistan.

Dr. Haroon Mutasem:

Haroon is a Research Fellow at the Law Faculty of Humboldt University of Berlin, where his work focuses on the theory and practice of addressing international crimes in Afghanistan. Concurrently, he is a consultant with Rawadari with the responsibility of managing the People's Tribunal for Women of Afghanistan. He is currently focused on research and advocacy regarding the accountability mechanisms for Afghanistan.

His academic career includes serving as an Assistant Professor of Law at Kabul University from 2005 to 2021, and concurrently at the American University of Afghanistan from 2008 to 2021. He also served as Vice Dean of the Law Faculty at Kabul University from 2008 to 2015.

Professionally, Haroon has served as the Deputy Ombudsperson of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, handling corruption cases involving high-ranking government officials. He was also the Director General of Legal, Legislative, and Judicial Affairs at the office of the president. Furthermore, he has contributed to drafting legislative documents and strategic frameworks for integrity and transparency as an international consultant with UNDP.

Haroon has authored and co-authored numerous scholarly works in the field of law, with a primary focus on Afghanistan.