School of Political Science and International Studies

#### GRADUATE CENTRE IN GOVERNANCE AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

# FLASH POINT

### TOPICAL ISSUES IN WORLD AFFAIRS

The Graduate Centre invites you to hear from our panel of speakers on the topic of

#### "The Rohingya Crisis and the Politics of International Law"

The recent escalation in violence in Myanmar's Rahkhine state has starkly highlighted the continuing humanitarian crisis in Myanmar's northwest region and the unresolved communal conflict between Arakanese Buddhists and Muslim Rohingyas. The NLD government of Aung San Suu Kyi has been under pressure from the international community, to respond more effectively to the situation in Rakhine and to stop the atrocities being committed against the Rohingyas by the military. Some have argued that the situation amounts to a genocide. In this Flashpoint event, our expert panel will discuss this crisis and ask, does the situation amount to a genocide? And, given that Myanmar is not a signatory to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, what legal and policy tools are available to the international community to investigate and to act in response to these claims?



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WHEN

Wednesday 18th October 2017 5:30pm - 7pm 5:30-6:30pm panel event 6:30-7:00pm networking

Assoc. Professor Jacinta O'Hagan Director Gradute Centre in Governance and International Affairs Host and Moderator



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