

**Abstract „Specialised language in Global Communication“
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„Wanted for genocide: the role of Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian Languages at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia “

Legal language and its terminology has always been of an interdisciplinary interest, esp. in an international area like the ICTY. Established by the UN Security Council the ICTY is responsible for the crimes in the Former Yugoslav Republics. English and French are the official languages of this court and documents are written in these two languages and are used for communication in the court room. Serbo-Croatian or better Bosnian, Croatian and Serbian are the “other” languages of the ICTY. You can hear them in everyday work, too.

In my paper I will focus on the role and function of Bosnian, Croatian Serbian as an International communication source, its problems of terminology and legal translations as well as forensic results.

This also gives an overview of the international importance of interdisciplinary research and communication studies and will show you the importance of specialised language in global communications in an international area.