

British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Worldwide Call for Papers on

British Influences on International Law 1915-2015

The British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL) is publishing a series of books to commemorate the centenary of the establishment in London of the Grotius Society (a forerunner of BIICL) in 1915. One of these books is on British Influences on International Law in the period from 1915 until today.

We invite anyone who has an interest in writing a chapter on an aspect of this topic to submit an abstract for consideration. This invitation extends to established academics, early career researchers, doctoral researchers, those with experience in government and other practice, and anyone else with relevant expertise, whether based in the UK or elsewhere. The authors of the selected papers may be chosen for presentation as part of a seminar series which is likely to be held in the first half of 2015.

About the book

The book considers the influence of British contributions on the development of international law. These influences range from the negotiation and drafting of treaties, to roles in the creation, development and enforcement of international law, by individuals and groups, as well as by institutions. The perspective to be taken is from 2014/2015 reviewing various international legal issues from 1915 retrospectively and examining the impact these have had on international law today.

This is a novel and edifying perspective in that it surveys and appraises the contributions of British people and institutions (both broadly and inclusively defined) in domestic and international legal forums and their role in the development, interpretation, and application of international law. This includes domestic, regional and international influences.

The book is edited by Professor Robert McCorquodale, BIICL Director, together with Jill Barrett, Dr Andraž Zidar, Anna Riddell and Dr Jean-Pierre Gauci. It is scheduled to be published by BRILL/Martinus Nijhoff. The book is part of a larger project looking at British Contributions to International Law in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the setting up of the Grotius Society.



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Submission of Proposals

Proposals are welcome for papers assessing any aspect of British influences on international law. Your proposal may focus on a particular substantive area of international law, one or more individuals or institutions, or a theme, or any other approach/field of examination you may wish to develop.

Proposals should include an abstract of the proposed contribution (not exceeding 400 words) and a short bio note about the author(s) (not exceeding 250 words). They should be sent to Dr Jean-Pierre Gauci, project coordinator, at j.gauci@biicl.org by **29 October 2014**. Notification of the outcome of the selection process will be sent by the end of November 2014. For those accepted, the deadline for submission of the finished papers will be March 2015. Authors should be available to present their paper at a seminar series in London in the first half of 2015.

Papers proposed for inclusion in the edited volume should be original and previously unpublished. In a few instances, a previously published paper may be accepted, provided that this is explicitly stated in the proposal, with information about where and when it was published. Responsibility for securing the rights to reprint the piece rests with the author and such permissions should be sought before the proposal is submitted.

For any further information or clarification, please contact the project co-ordinator Dr Jean-Pierre Gauci on <u>i.gauci@biicl.org</u>