

# Does International Law Mean Business - A Partnership for Progress?

## International Law Association, British Branch 2008 Conference

**Friday 16 May 2008** 9:30 - 17:30

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Clifford Chance, 10 Upper Bank Street, London E14 5JJ

### Keynote speakers:

#### Professor Paul Collier

Professor of Economics, Oxford University and bestselling author of *The Bottom Billion: Why the Poorest Countries Are Failing and What Can Be Done About It*

#### Professor John Ruggie

Professor of International Relations, Harvard University (Kennedy School of Government) and Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary General on Human Rights and Transnational Corporations and other Business Enterprises

#### Minister Rt. Hon Lord Malloch-Brown

Minister for Africa, Asia and the UN at the UK Foreign Office, formerly United Nations Deputy Secretary General

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The Conference will ask whether we can conceive of an international legal order in which business participates as a partner - alongside governments and international organisations - in confronting the challenge of moving fragile states and their people, through sustainable development, to peace, security and prosperity. Ten panels of international law experts from around the globe, plus practitioners, experts and business representatives from relevant fields, will address a variety of topical issues raised by the Conference theme.

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#### **Programme:**

The Conference will follow a programme mixing plenary sessions with concurrent panels of speakers.

#### **Friday**

The Conference will hear Professor Collier speak in open plenary followed by three sets of concurrent panels exploring topics ranging from the relationship of international law with poverty and with business to dealing with climate change, the race for resources, donors, lenders and governance and current human rights challenges. Friday's session will be followed by a drinks reception and dinner, at which Lord Malloch-Brown will speak.

#### **Saturday**

On Saturday morning, two sets of concurrent panels will address trade and poverty, post-conflict and security issues, transnational law and foreign direct investment and human rights. The Conference will conclude with another open plenary at which Professor Ruggie will deliver a keynote address.

**If you would like to attend, please register using the Registration Form on the website below.**

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## Conference Programme - Friday 16 May

### 9.30 Opening Plenary Session

- **Keynote Speech:** Paul Collier, Professor of Economics, Oxford University
- **Chair:** Jeremy Carver CBE, President, International Law Association (British Branch)
- **Discussant:** Julio Faundez, Professor of Law, University of Warwick School of Law
- **Discussant:** Rupert Pennant-Rea, Chair, Henderson Group plc

### 11:30 Panel 1: International Law And Poverty

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13:00

This Panel will consider theses advanced by Professor Paul Collier in his recent book, *The Bottom Billion* (Oxford University Press, 2007) and, in particular, the role international law might play in improving the lives and prospects of the bottom billion (the poorest and most oppressed of the world's populations).

- **Chair:** Vaughan Lowe QC, Chichele Professor of Public International Law, University of Oxford
- Susan Marks, Professor of Law, Kings College London
- Chris Paterson, Publishing Consultant
- Balakrishnan Rajagopal, Ford International Professor of Law and Development, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

### 14:00 Panel 3: The Race for Resources – to Avoiding Future Conflicts

15:30

As the world's resources come under greater pressure and increasing demand, how can international lawyers deal with the three challenges of scarcity, sustainability, and security? Is international law presently capable of preventing future resource conflicts? Can international law moderate the race for resources so that it does not exacerbate the plight of the most vulnerable populations of the world?

- **Chair:** Thomas Wälde, Professor of Law, University of Dundee
- Anna Kirk, Herbert Smith LLP
- Andie Lambe, Adviser, Global Witness
- Patrick McAuslan MBE, Professor of Law, Birkbeck College

### 16:00 Panel 5: Current Human Rights to Challenges

17:30

This Panel will explore a number of topical human rights themes relevant to the peoples of the world's poorest countries, or countries in conflict.

- **Chair:** Shaheed Fatima, Blackstone Chambers
- Holly Cullen, Reader in Law, University of Durham
- Afshan Khan, Emergency Operations, UNICEF
- Robert McCorquodale, Director, BIICL
- Andras Vamos-Goldman, Deputy High Commissioner, Canadian High Commission to South Africa

### 19:00 Dinner Event

**Keynote Speech:** Rt. Hon Lord Malloch-Brown, Foreign Office Minister for Africa, Asia and UN

### Panel 2: International Law and Business

This Panel will consider the interactions between international law and business. Why is international law relevant for business (and vice versa)? How might international law adapt to embrace business as both a rule maker, and a rule taker? How can international law assist in harnessing the resources of business towards lifting the bottom billion out of poverty and distress?

- **Chair:** Baron Mance, Lord of Appeal in Ordinary
- Freya Baetens, PhD Candidate, University of Cambridge
- Art Blundell, Biodiversity Neutral Initiative
- Peter Muchlinski, Professor of International Law, School of Oriental & African Studies
- Sol Picciotto, Professor of Law, Lancaster University

### Panel 4: Donors, Lenders And Governance

This Panel will examine the role of donor governments and intergovernmental organisations in achieving effective governance in fragile and post-conflict states. It will also examine recent international law initiatives aimed at combating corruption and recovering misappropriated assets. How can investment in developing economies and post-conflict states (whether donor-led or private) be made more effective?

- **Chair:** Tim Daniel, Partner, Edwards Agnell Palmer & Dodge LLP
- Pascale Dubois, Sanctions Evaluation & Suspension Officer, World Bank
- Tricia Feeney, RAID - Rights and Accountability in Development
- Dr Kamal Hossain, K Hossain & Associates, Dhaka

### Panel 6: Dealing with Climate Change

This Panel will look at: the ways in which climate change is affecting the world's poor; and how businesses are responding to climate change. Is the private sector assisting the search for sustainable solutions? Can business play a role in forging consensus for a post-Kyoto regime?

- **Chair:** James Cameron, Climate Change Capital
- Claude Brown, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP
- Catherine Redgwell, Professor of International Law, University College London
- James Stacey, Head of Sustainable Business, Standard Chartered Bank plc

## Conference Programme - Saturday 17 May

### 9:30 Panel 7: Trade and Poverty

**to** This Panel will examine the indications of stalemate in the Doha Development Round and the shift of focus towards the elimination of poverty, and towards trade policy coherence amongst the major international financial institutions and the World Trade Organisation.

**11:00**

- **Chair:** John H. Jackson, Professor of Law, Georgetown University
- Emily Jones, Oxfam UK
- Susan Prowse, International Trade Department, Department for International Development

### 11:30 Panel 9: Foreign Direct Investment and Human Rights

**to** This Panel will seek to answer the question, how can the protection of foreign investors' economic interests be reconciled with the promotion and protection of the human rights of local populations?

**13:00**

- **Chair:** Loukas Mistelis, Professor of Transnational Commercial Law and Arbitration, Queen Mary, University of London
- Howard Mann, Senior International Law Advisor, International Institute for Sustainable Development.
- Andrea Shemberg, Legal Advisor to the Special Representative of the UN Secretary General on Human Rights and Transnational Corporations and other Business Enterprises
- Robert Volterra - Partner, Latham & Watkins LLP

### 14:00 Closing Plenary

- **Keynote Speech:** John Ruggie, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General on Human Rights and Transnational Corporations and other Business Enterprises and Professor of International Affairs, Harvard University (Kennedy School of Government)
- **Chair:** Rae Lindsay, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP

### Panel 8: Security Issues in a Post-Conflict Environment

This Panel will cover a range of issues including the international law dimensions of the fragility of borders in a State-centric system; the role of private security in post-conflict situations, and accountability dilemmas that arise from that role.

- **Chair:** Lord Hannay, Chair, UNA-UK Board of Directors
- Emanuela-Chiara Gillard, Chief, Protection of Civilians Office, UN Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
- Guy S. Goodwin-Gill, Senior Research Fellow, University of Oxford, and Blackstone Chambers

### Panel 10: Is Transnational Law Eclipsing International Law?

This Panel will examine whether public international law has kept pace with globalisation; in particular, has it adequately responded to the emergence of new global, but non-State, actors? Or, is transnational law the "truly international" law? What lessons are there for international lawyers in studying the development of transnational law?

- **Chair:** Mary Footer, Professor of International Economic Law, University of Nottingham
- Daniel Kalderimis, Freshfields Bruckhaus Derringer
- Nico Krisch, Lecturer in Law, London School of Economics
- Pierrick Le Goff, Chief Counsel, ALSTOM

**10.5 CPD points are available for attending the Conference.**

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Silvertown Way  
London  
E16 1EA

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E14 9PQ

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☐ Friday 16 May only..... £ 50.00  
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☐ Full-time students and the unwaged<sup>2</sup>. £ 20.00

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☐ Conference Dinner..... £ 50.00  
☐ Guests are welcome at the dinner at the same price of £50 per person..... £ 50.00

Guest(s) Name .....  
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