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NEWSLETTER

£1.75 MILLION RAISED IN DONATIONS AND PLEDGES

The Appeal has received approximately £1.75 million in donations and pledges of support for the future. The Development Appeal Committee has been very active on the Institute's behalf and Committee members have approached a wide range of constituencies to achieve this funding. A number of other fundraising initiatives are underway, making us confident that we will reach our target of £2 million early in the New Year. In February 2004, Cherie Booth QC has agreed to host a reception at No 10 Downing Street in aid of the Development Appeal. If you would like to find out more about the Appeal or if you would like to make a donation, please contact Diane Denny, Appeal Director, on 020 7862 5159.

MEMBERSHIP

2003 was another successful year for the Institute's ever growing membership. Membership figures were over 730 by the end of December. We have recently embarked on a 'Member get Member' campaign to boost figures even further for the New Year to ensure that this positive trend will continue. Details will be circulated to all members.

RECENT ACTIVITIES

Data Protection and Research Policy Group

The Institute has launched the Data Protection Research and Policy Group, which aims to carry out research and to discuss and recommend solutions to the most pressing data protection issues. At the Launch event on 6 November 2003 Richard Thomas, UK Information Commissioner, gave a keynote address. In attendance were top data protection lawyers from London and Brussels and representatives of the industry as well as national and European regulators. The Group is open to leading practitioners and representatives of industry, regulators and academics, selected on the basis of their contribution to the area of data protection law and policy. Members of the Group will meet four times a year. The first meeting of the Group is scheduled for March 2004 and will address problems relating to trans-border data flows and review research looking at international data protection.

Investment Protection Forum

The Institute is establishing a Forum on Investment Protection, whose aim is to provide independent research and comment on the most important aspects of investment protection law and practice. The key elements of this Forum will be in-depth research and the regular meetings of its members, which will be convened quarterly in order to discuss specific issues. It is envisaged that, to reflect the highly internationalised practice in this area, one meeting each year will be held in the United States. Three public conferences will also be staged each year by the Institute; the next will be held in 2004 and is to be oriented towards State representatives. In addition, a subsection of the Institute's website will be created for the Forum, incorporating a database of bilateral investment treaties and a directory of books, articles and links. Discussion papers will also be issued through the website and there will be an area specifically for access by Forum members.

PAST EVENTS

ARBITRATION

A workshop on *Arbitration in Energy Disputes* was held on 7 October. This event was chaired by Professor Thomas Wälde, Centre for Energy, Petroleum & Mineral Law and Policy, University of Dundee. The speakers were Kaj Hober, Mannheimer Swartling; Philippe Pinsolle, Shearman and Sterling; and Michael Young, Herbert Smith. Another workshop was held on 18 November, entitled *Ethics and Evidence in International Commercial Arbitration*. It was chaired by Judith Gill, Allen & Overy. The speakers were Karyl Nairn, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP; Peter Rees, Head of Litigation, Norton Rose; and Robert Knutson, Corbett & Co. The workshop held on 2 December entitled *International Arbitration: Perspectives from the Panel*, was chaired by Alan Redfern, One Essex Court. The speakers were Kenneth Rokison QC, 20 Essex Street; Professor Hans van Houtte, Littleton Chambers and University of Leuven; and Stephen Jagusch, Allen & Overy.

COMPARATIVE LAW

On 25 September a practitioner workshop in the Product Liability Series was held, entitled *Asbestos Litigation in the US: Costs and Compensation*. This was chaired by Mads Andenas and the speakers were Dr Stephen Carroll, RAND Institute for Civil Justice and Jonathan Harvey, Henderson Chambers.

On 29 September the Institute held a seminar on *The Making of Australian Administrative Law*. The speaker was Professor Peter Cane, Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University.

A seminar on *Product Liability: Basic Problems from a Comparative Perspective* was held on 22 October. The speaker was Professor Dr Hans Claudius Taschner, Former Director of the European Commission and comments were made by Michael Brook QC, New Square and Professor Geraint Howells, University of Sheffield.

The Institute hosted the *Colloque franco-britannique* on 14-15 November, in association with l'Institut des Hautes Études sur la Justice, la Société de Législation Comparée et l'UMR de droit comparé de Paris.

The Institute held a lecture on 27 November, with the title *The Unity of the Common Law and the End of Appeals to the Privy Council*. Sir Kenneth Keith, New Zealand Court of Appeal, gave the lecture, which was chaired by Dr Mads Andenas, BIICL.

COMPETITION LAW

The Competition Law Forum held its Third Meeting on 10 September on the subject of *Pricing and Dominance*. Derek Ridyard, RBB Economics, was in the chair, with Maurits Dolmans, Cleary Gottlieb; Luc Gyselen, European Commission; Makan Delrahim, US Department of Justice; Adrian Majumdar, OFT; Christian Ahlborn, Linklaters; and Brian Sher, Latham Watkins as speakers.

On 16 September the Institute held a practitioner workshop on *Mobile Phone Charges Inquiry and Judicial Review*. This was chaired by Dr Philip Marsden, Director, Competition Law Forum, BIICL, and the speakers were Thomas Sharpe QC, One Essex Court; Michael Walker, Charles River Associates; and Christopher Watson, Allen & Overy. Another workshop was held on 30 September, entitled *Law and the Economics of Cartel Damages*, chaired by Peter Freeman, Deputy Chairman of the Competition Commission. The speakers were Derek Ridyard, RBB Economics; Jennifer Skilbeck, Monckton Chambers; and Tony Woodgate, Simmons & Simmons.

On 14 October the Institute held a practitioner workshop on *Competition in the Courts – the Year in Review*. Speakers included Hugh Mercer, One Essex Court, Aidan Robertson, Brick Court Chambers, and Philippa Watson, Nottingham Law School/One Essex Court. Mark Clough QC, Ashurst, chaired the workshop. A week later, on 21 October, a workshop on *Cartel Investigations – Dealing with the Dawn Raiders* was held, chaired by Dr Philip Marsden. Speakers were Andrii Jurkiw, Burges Salmon; Joanne Rickards, Peters & Peters; Simon Williams, Office of Fair Trading; and David Wood, Howrey Simon. A further workshop was held on 11 November, entitled *Store Wars: The Battle for Safeway*. It was chaired by Alastair Gorrie, Coudert Brothers. The speakers were Phil Evans, Consumers' Association; Tony Morris, Linklaters; Alan Overd, Lexecon; Simon Priddis, Office of Fair Trading; Nigel Parr, Ashurst; and Thomas Sharpe QC, One Essex Court.

A practitioner workshop on *Technology Transfer Agreements – The New Regime* was held on 25 November in association with the Licensing Executive Society (LES). It was chaired by Steven Anderman, Essex University. The speakers included John Kallaugher, Latham & Watkins; Professor Robert Lind, Charles River Associates; Luc Peepkorn, European Commission; Jennifer Pierce, Charles Russell; and Peter Plompen, Philips International. Another workshop was also held on 25 November, entitled *IMS Health – Intellectual Property and Competition Policy*, in association with the Competition Law Association. The workshop was chaired by James Flynn QC, Brick Court. Speakers were Dr Gerwin Janke, Freshfields; Frank Fine, DLA; Valentine Korah, UCL; Christopher Stothers, Milbank Tweed; Maurits Dolmans, Cleary Gottlieb; and Robert O'Donoghue, Cleary Gottlieb.

The *Second Annual Merger Control Conference* was held on 2 December. The chairmen were Dr Philip Marsden BIICL; Richard Wainwright, European Commission; Karen Williams, Directorate-General for Competition; Professor Richard Whish, KCL; Dr Irwin Stelzer, Hudson Institute; and Francisco Gonzalez-Diaz, European Commission. Speakers included Cristina Caffara, Lexecon; Paul Geroski, Competition Commission; Greg Vistnes, Charles River Associates; H J Meyer-Lindemann, Shearman & Sterling; Martin Smith, Simmons & Simmons; Hendrik Bourgeois, GE; Annette Schild, Shearman & Sterling; Jim Venit, Skadden Arps; Simon Baker, RBB Economics; Nigel Parr, Ashurst; Simon Priddis, OFT; Dale Collins, Shearman & Sterling; Goetz Drauz, EC; Debbie Majoras, US Justice Department; Frank Montag, Freshfields; Christian Ahlborn, Linklaters; Dr John Fingleton, Irish Competition Authority; Balasz Cespai, Office of Economic Competition, Hungary; John Schmidt, Shearman & Sterling; Bill Baer, Arnold & Porter; and Chris Bright, Shearman & Sterling. The conference was generously sponsored by Shearman & Sterling LLP.

The Fourth Meeting of the Competition Law Forum, entitled *Enhancing the Effectiveness of State Aid Policy* was held on 11 December in Brussels.

EUROPEAN LAW

On 10 October a seminar was held in association with FMLC, Bank of England, on *European Financial Law: Conjecture and Outlook*. Lord Browne-Wilkinson, FMLC, and Advocate General Francis Jacobs chaired the seminar.

The Institute held a conference on the *ECtHR: Remedies and Execution of Judgments* on 28 October. The speakers were Sir Nicolas Bratza, Judge at the ECtHR; Professor David Harris, University of Nottingham; Dr Ed Bates, Southampton University; Tom Barkhuysen, Leiden University; James Eadie QC, Serle Court; Martin Eaton, Chair of the Council of Europe SCHR; Charlotte Girard, Université de Paris; Barbara Hewson, Hardwicke Building; Murray Hunt, Matrix Chambers; Nuala Mole, the AIRE Centre; Michiel van Emmerik, Ministry of Interior, The Netherlands; and Piet-Hein van Kempen, Nijmegen University. The Annual UKAEL Lecture was also held on 28 October, at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. The title was *Luxembourg in Retrospect: What Europe in Prospect?* The speaker was The Hon Judge David Edward QC CMG, Court of Justice of the European Communities. Sir Christopher Bellamy chaired the lecture.

In conjunction with the Oxford Institute for International and Comparative Law and Clifford Chance LLP, the Institute organized an event under the auspices of the Company Law Group on 9 December, on *The EU and Tax Law – Fiscal and Wider Implications*. The speakers were Paul Farmer, Pump Court Tax Chambers; Malcolm Gammie QC, Chambers of Lord Grabiner QC; Mark Persoff, Clifford Chance LLP; Rupert Shiers, Tax Litigation Group KLegal; Mark Whitehouse, Tax Litigation Group KLegal; Professor Derrick Wyatt QC, Oxford University, Brick Court; Professor Judith Freedman, KPMG Professor of Taxation Law at Oxford; Jonathan Rickford CBE, Company Law Centre, BIICL; and Dr Mads Andenas, BIICL. A drinks reception following the event was sponsored by Clifford Chance LLP.

The Institute held a lecture on 15 December, given by Derek Beach, University of Aarhus, Denmark, entitled *Why States Comply (and sometimes do not Comply) with EU Law*. On the following day a conference entitled *What Union After the IGC 2003?* was held in association with UACES/Federal Trust Study Group.

PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW

On 18 September the Company Law Centre hosted a seminar entitled *Überseering and Inspire Art – The European Court of Justice and the Freedom of Establishment*. The speakers were Dr Mads Andenas, Director, BIICL and Professor Jonathan Rickford CBE, Director, Company Law Centre, BIICL. The Rt Hon Lord Hoffmann was in the chair.

On 9 October The Rt Hon Lord Cooke of Thorndon ONZ KBE gave the Third Annual Commonwealth Lecture at the Institute entitled *The Road Ahead for the Common Law*. Lord Nicholls of Birkenhead chaired the lecture.

The Investment Protection Forum's Inaugural Conference was held on 10 October, entitled *The Strategic Role of Treaty Protection in Foreign Investment*. The chairmen and speakers were Michael Wood CMG, FCO; Audley Sheppard, Clifford Chance;

Professor David Caron, University of California School of Law; Dr Mads Andenas, BIICL; Yves Fortier CC QC, Ogilvy Renault; Professor Marc Monheimer, Overseas Private Investment Corporation; Dr Adnan Amkhan, Energy Charter Treaty Secretariat; Professor Vaughan Lowe, All Souls College Oxford, and Essex Court; Mark W Friedman, Debevoise & Plimpton; Audley Sheppard, Clifford Chance LLP; Peter Turner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer; Robert Volterra, Herbert Smith; Emmanuel Gaillard, Shearman & Sterling; Christopher Thomas QC, Thomas & Partners; Professor Dr Christoph Schreuer, University of Vienna; Daniel M Price, Sidley Austin Brown & Wood; Professor Todd Weiler, University of Windsor; Nigel Blackaby, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer; Professor Carlos Ignacio Suarez, Anzorena Universidad Torcuato di Tella; Stephen Jagusch, Allen & Overy.

As part of the Data Protection Event Series, the Institute held a workshop on 13 October, entitled *Big Brother Watches You: Video Surveillance, Monitoring and Data Protection*. The Hon Mr Justice Lindsay was in the chair, with Dr Mads Andenas, BIICL; Susan Henderson, Lovells; Dr Ian Walden, Queen Mary, University of London; and Stefan Zleptnig, BIICL as the speakers. The Data Protection Group's Launch Reception was held on 6 November. Details are given above in the 'Recent Activities' section.

On 14 October in association with the London Forum for International Economic Law and Development the Ninth Shihata Lecture was given by Arthur M Mitchell, General Counsel, Asian Development Bank, on *Corporate Governance in Asia today and tomorrow*. Another lecture was jointly held on 11 December, given by Mr W Paatii Ofosu-Amaah, Vice President and Corporate Secretary for the World Bank. The title was *The Role of the World Bank in post-conflict Reconstruction and Development*.

On 30 October the Institute held a conference entitled *Dispute Resolution in the Telecommunications Sector*. The speakers were Dr Mads Andenas, BIICL; Aurelie Doutriaux, Autorité de régulation des télécommunications (ART); Sebastian Farr, Office of Telecommunications (OFTEL); Regina Finn, Office of Utility Regulation, Guernsey; Sandra Keegan, European Commission; Professor Pierre Larouche, University of Tilburg; Gordon Moir, BT Global Services; Annetje Ottow, Houthoff and University of Amsterdam; Yvonne Groesch, Regulierungsbehörde für Telekommunikation und Post (RegTP); Roberto Pomares, SJ Berwin, Madrid; Alexandre Verheyden, Jones Day, Brussels; and Chris Watson, Allen & Overy, London.

On 20 November an event was held entitled *The Revised Product Safety Directive: What New?* It was chaired by The Rt Hon Lord Justice Latham. The speakers were Erik Hansson, Deputy Head of Unit, DG Health and Consumer Protection, European Commission; Graham Bartlett, Product and Services Safety, Department of Trade and Industry; Andrew Edgar, Global Head, Product Liability Group, Clifford Chance LLP. Clifford Chance were the sponsors for this event.

On 27 November a Breakfast Briefing was held on *The Directive on Privacy and Electronic Communications: Implications for the Internet and Electronic Communications* as part of the Data Protection Event Series. The speakers were James Milligan, Direct Marketing Association; Ruth Boardman, Bird & Bird; and Mary Tait, Department of Trade and Industry.

On 5 December, the Institute held the *International Conference on Contractual Rights and Obligations in Central and South Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States* in association with the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

On 8 December the Institute hosted a seminar on *Rees v Darlington on Costs of Upbringing: Obfuscation or Clarification?* The Rt Hon Lord Justice Brooke was in the chair. The speakers were Elizabeth-Anne Gumbel QC, 199 Strand; Margaret Bowron QC, One Crown Office Row; Roderick Bagshaw, Magdalen College Oxford; Dr Duncan Fairgrieve, BIICL; and Edward Faulks QC, No 1 Serjeants' Inn.

PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW AND HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

On 30 September the Institute held a seminar on *The Appointment of Judges*, arranged by the Constitutional Law Group of the Institute. The Rt Hon Lord Bingham of Cornhill was in the chair, and the speaker was Professor Alan Paterson, Law School, University of Strathclyde, Member of Judicial Appointments Board for Scotland and author of 'The Law Lords'.

On 2 October a conference on *Airport Expansion, Aircraft Noise and Human Rights* was held, with The Rt Hon Lord Justice Schiemann and Brian Ash QC as chairs.

On 10 October in association with Queen Mary and SOAS, the Institute held a conference on *Interrogating the Treaty and the Future of Treaty Law*. Chairs and speakers included Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice, Queen Mary; Professor Catherine Redgwell, Oxford; Anthony Aust, Professor Jutta Brunée, University of Toronto; Professor John Merrills, University of Sheffield; and Professor Philippe Sands QC, UCL; Professor Donald Greig, BIICL; Dr Simpson; Dr Craven; Professor Wellens; Dr Okowa; Dr Elias; Stewart Shackleton; Professor Loibl; Dr Rosalie Balkin; Professor Evans; Professor Thirlway; and Ms Brölmann.

On 27 October another seminar organized by the Constitutional Law Group was held, entitled *A Supreme Court for the United Kingdom*. The Rt Hon Lord Steyn chaired the event. The speakers were Richard Drabble QC, The Rt Hon Lord Rodger of Earlsferry and Professor Ian Scott, Birmingham University & Editor of Civil Justice Quarterly.

On 6 November a lecture entitled *Modernising the International Law of the Sea* was held at Imperial College London. This formed part of the 2003 Lecture Series in International and European Environmental Law in association with Imperial College and IALS. Paolo Galizzi, Imperial College, was in the chair, and the speaker was Professor Patricia Birnie, Visiting Fellow, LSE.

On 13 November a conference entitled *Terrorism and International Law* was held. Professor Malcolm Shaw QC, University of Leicester chaired the event. The speakers were Rafael Benitez, Council of Europe; Shami Chakrabarti, Liberty; Louise Christian, Christian Khan; Philippe de Koster, Council of Europe; Stephen Livingstone, Queen's University, Belfast; Dr John Mackinlay, KCL; Andrew Nicol QC, Doughty Street Chambers; Renan Villacis, United Nations; and Dr Karin von Hippel, Centre for Defence Studies. The Annual Grotius Lecture was also held on 13 November, with the title *Terrorism and International Law*. HE Judge Gilbert Guillaume, Judge and Past President of the International Court of Justice gave the lecture, which was chaired by The Rt Hon Lord Bingham of Cornhill. The Grotius Dinner was held at Lincoln's Inn after the lecture, sponsored by Linklaters.

The AIRE Centre's 10th Anniversary Colloquium in Association with BIICL entitled *A Decade of Human Rights* was held on 21-22 November. The speakers were Sir Nicolas Bratza, Judge of the ECtHR; Professor Vojin Dimitrijevic, Belgrade Centre for Human Rights, former member of the UNHRC; Ron Hooghiemstra, OSCE, Kosovo; Francesca Klug OBE, LSE; Dr H C Kruger, former Deputy Secretary General, Council of Europe; Martin Eaton, formerly Legal Adviser, Foreign and Commonwealth Office and Professor A W B Simpson, University of Michigan. Also on 22 November, an event was held in conjunction with the Military Law Society.

On 24 November an event entitled *Parallel Proceedings in International Courts* was held as part of the Series on Parallel Proceedings in International Courts and Tribunals. The event was chaired by Professor Vaughan Lowe, Oxford; and the speakers were Professor Campbell McLachlan, Victoria of Wellington Law School and Sam Wordsworth, Essex Court.

On 25 November the 27th FA Mann Lecture was held, entitled *Guantanamo Bay: The Legal Black Hole*. The Rt Hon Lord Steyn gave the lecture, with Sir Lawrence Collins LLD FBA in the chair. The FA Mann lecture is sponsored by Herbert Smith.

On 28 November, in association with Duke University School of Law and Cambridge University Press, the Institute held an event on the *United States and the Foundations of International Law*, including a launch for the publication of *United States Hegemony and the Foundations of International Law*. The chairmen were Michael Byers, Duke University; Christine Chinkin, LSE; Georg Nolte, Göttingen University and Oxford University; Masahiko Asada, Kyoto University; Manuel Becerra Ramirez, National Autonomous University of Mexico; Eyal Benvenisti, Tel Aviv University; Simon Chesterman, International Peace Academy; B S Chimni, Jawaharlal Nehru University; Nico Krisch, New York University; Tiyanjana Maluwa, Office of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights; Mehdi Mozaffari, Aarhus University; Sean Murphy, George Washington University; Richard Price, University of British Columbia; Jennifer Welsh, Oxford University; and Nicholas Wheeler, University of Wales, Aberystwyth.

On 3 December a lecture was held in association with Imperial College and IALS, entitled *Liberalization of Trade in Agriculture and Sustainable Development*. Professor Surya Subedi gave the lecture, which was chaired by Professor Kurt Deketelaere. Also on 3 December was a seminar on *Human Rights Acts and the Limits of Interpretation*. Professor Jim Evans, Auckland University and Herbert Smith, was the speaker, and The Rt Hon Lady Justice Arden DBE chaired the meeting. It was held in association with the Statute Law Society and the Institute for Advanced Legal Studies.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS 2004

Unless otherwise indicated, the venue for events is Charles Clore House, 17 Russell Square, London WC1B 5JP

The majority of BIICL events are CPD accredited. Please call +44 (0) 20 7862 5151 for further information.

Prices indicated are inclusive of VAT.

Please note that the cancellation date for refunds is *five* working days prior to each event, and that payment is required prior to attendance or at the entrance to the event. Spaces for some events are limited and are on a first come, first served basis.

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JANUARY

<p>Monday 19; 17.15 – 19.30 £44 BIICL members; £66 Non-members £22 Students; 1.5 CPD Hours; Event Code: 51628</p>	<p>Köbler v Austria: Responsibility of Judges The Rt Hon Lord Justice Mummery, Court of Appeal, RCI; David Anderson QC, Brick Court Chambers; Helen Toner, Queen's College Oxford; Professor Takis Tridimas, University of Southampton</p>
<p>Tuesday 20; 17.15 – 19.30 £40 BIICL members; £70 Non-members £20 Students. 2 CPD Hours; Event Code: 51615</p>	<p>Practitioner Workshop Series in International Commercial Arbitration Annual Review of the Arbitration Act</p>
<p>Wednesday 21; 17.30 – 19:00 Free attendance. Event Code: 51719</p>	<p>International and European Environmental Law Series* Environmental Impact Assessment: What's Next? Richard Harwood</p>
<p>Tuesday 27; 17.15 – 19.30 £52 BIICL members; £78 Non-members 2 CPD Hours; Event code: 51622</p>	<p>Practitioner Workshops Series in Competition Law The Implications of Aberdeen Journals Simon Bishop, RBB Economics; Philip Collins, Lovells</p>
<p>Wednesday 28; 17.30. £15 Students £40 Members and Academics; Non-members: £50</p>	<p>Seminar Human Rights Commission for the UK</p>
<p>Friday 30; 12.30 – 19.15 (with reception) £50 BIICL members £100 Non-members £25 Academics Free for first 20 students, then £20 thereafter 4.5 CPD Hours; Event Code: 51510</p>	<p>Company Law Series: Reforming Capital Maintenance: New Accounting Standards and the Case for Reform Professor Paul Davies, LSE; Professor Friedrich Kübler, University of Frankfurt/Main; Professor John C Coates, Harvard University; Professor Yves Guyon, Université Paris I; Professor James Hanks, Bucerius Law School Hamburg, Venable LLP; Mary Keegan, ASB (UK); Professor Jonathan Rickford CBE, BIICL; Madame Joelle Simon, MEDEF; Professor Geoffrey Whittington, IASB</p>
<p>Friday 30; 9.15 Contact info@ewi.org.uk for booking details and venue or tel 0870 366 6367; Event Code: 51705</p>	<p>In association with the Expert Witness Institute Annual Conference: Expert Evidence at home and abroad Opening address: The Rt Hon Baroness Scotland of Asthal QC</p>

FEBRUARY

<p>Date to be confirmed</p>	<p>Impact of International Law on Commerce (for Domestic Practitioners especially)</p>
<p>Date to be confirmed</p>	<p>Public International Law Series: International Law in Commercial Disputes</p>
<p>Date to be announced. By invitation only</p>	<p>Reception at Number 10 Downing Street</p>
<p>Wednesday 4; 17.30 – 19.30 £40 BIICL members £70 Non-members £20 Students 2 CPD Hours; Event Code: 51607</p>	<p>Practitioner Workshop Series in International Commercial Arbitration Conflicts of Interest in Arbitration: Independence, Impartiality and Standards of Disclosure Otto de Wit Wijnen, NautaDutilh, Rotterdam, Chair of the IBA Working Group on Conflicts of Interest; Fabian von Schlabrendorff, Clifford Chance Pünder, Frankfurt; Greg Reid, Linklaters</p>
<p>Wednesday 4; 17.30 – 19.30; tea from 17.00 £47 BIICL members; £70.50 Non-members</p>	<p>Data Protection Series: Outsourcing and Data Protection Lawrence Miner, Clifford Chance; Arpana Viswanathan; Quintin Archer,</p>

2 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51629	Lovells
Friday 6; 9.00 – 17.00 £140 BIICL members £175 Non-members 7 CPD hours Dinner 19.00; £55 plus VAT Event Code: 51511 Sponsored by Lovells	Conference: Product Liability and Safety in Central and Eastern Europe Luis González Vaqué, EC; Monika Dobiasova, Ministry of Trade, Czech Republic; Norbert Csizmazia, Ministry of Justice, Hungary; Katarzyna Lis, Ministry of Justice, Poland; Barbara Miklavcic, Government Office, Slovenia; Rod Freeman, Lovells; Nicholas Underhill QC; Professor Geraint Howells, Sheffield University; Prof Dr Miquel Martin-Casals, Universitat de Girona; Professor Guido Alpa, Rome University; Norbert Seiler, EBRD; Dr Richard Goldberg, University of Birmingham; Chris Willett, De Montfort University
Wednesday 11; 17:30 – 19:00 Free attendance. Event Code: 51720	International and European Environmental Law Series* An Environmental Product Policy for the Future: The Changing Regulatory Paradigm? Rosalind Malcom, University of Sussex
Tuesday 17; 17.15 – 19.30 £40 BIICL members; £70 Non-members £20 Students. 2 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51616	Practitioner Workshop Series in International Commercial Arbitration The Selection, Status and Immunity of Arbitrators
Tuesday 24; 17.15 – 19.30 £52 BIICL members; £78 Non-members 2 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51630	Practitioner Workshops Series in Competition Law Genzyme and price-squeezing Margaret Bloom, KCL, and Freshfields; Derek Ridyard, RBB Economics; Gavin Robert, Linklaters; Aidan Robertson, Brick Court
Thursday 26 Event Code: 51513	Public International Law Conference: Post-War Iraq Sir Frank Berman KCMG QC, Essex Court Chambers; Rabinder Singh QC, Matrix Law; Juliet Blanch, Norton Rose; Professor Bill Bowring, Research Institute on Human Rights; Dr Ralph Wilde, UCL; Michael Schmitt, George C Marshall Centre for European Studies; Dr Pieter Bekker, White & Case LLP; Dr Robert Cryer and Matthew Happold, University of Nottingham.
Friday 27. Event Code: 51512	Company Law Series: The EU Company and Freedom of Movement
MARCH	
Date to be confirmed. Event Code: 51626	Tort Law Centre Series: Food Seminar
Date to be confirmed. Event Code: 51721	Lecture Series: Annual Wilberforce Lecture
Date to be confirmed. Event Code: 51631	Seminar on Parallel Proceedings before International Courts and Tribunals Avoiding Conflicting Decisions at the International Level: <i>Forum non Conveniens, Lis Alibi Pendens, Res Judicata and Related Principles</i>
Monday 1; 17:30 – 19:00 Council Chamber Free attendance. Event Code: 51722	International and European Environmental Law Series* Making up or Making out? Animal Testing and the Revision of the European Union's Cosmetics Directive Joanne Scott, Cambridge University
Tuesday 9; 14.00 – 20.15. By invitation only.	Data Protection Research and Policy Group: Quarterly Meeting
Tuesday 16; 17.15 – 19.30 £40 BIICL members; £70 Non-members £20 Students; 2 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51617	Practitioner Workshops Series in International Commercial Arbitration Regional Series: Current Developments in US Arbitration
Wednesday 17; 13.30 – 18.45 By invitation only. Event Code: 57803	Fifth Meeting of the Competition Law Forum and CLF dinner Vertical & Conglomerate Mergers Chair: Chris Bright
Thursday 18; 17:30 – 19:00 Council Chamber Free attendance. Event Code: 51723	International and European Environmental Law Series* Procedure and Politics in the Regulation of Genetically Modified Crops Maria Lee, King's College London
Tuesday 23; 17.15 for 17.30 – 19.30 £52 BIICL members; £78 Non-members 2 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51632	Practitioner Workshop Series in Competition Law David and Goliath – sling and stone for small businesses? Jennifer Skilbeck, Monckton Chambers
Tuesday 30; 17.00 – 19.30 Event Code: 51618	Historical Perspectives on International Commercial Arbitration: Medieval Venice
Wednesday 31; 9.00 – 17.30 Event Code: 51514	Conference: Liability for Breach of Community Law Walter van Gerven, former Advocate-General, ECJ; David Anderson, Brick Court Chambers.
APRIL	
Date to be confirmed: Event Code: 51515	Public International Law Series: PIL In Courts and Tribunals: Important Cases During the Year
Monday 5. Event Code: 51724	SLS/BIICL seminar: The Security Council
Tuesday 6. Event Code: 51725	Foreign & Commonwealth Office Academic Seminar
Tuesday 20; 17.15 – 19.30 £40 BIICL members; £70 Non-members £20 Students; 2 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51619	Practitioner Workshops Series in International Commercial Arbitration Expert Evidence in International Commercial Arbitration
Tuesday 27; Venue: Senate House, Malet St WC1 £52 BIICL members; £78 Non-members	Practitioner Workshop Series in Competition Law: Economists in Court Dr Cento Veljanovski, Case Associates (Event Code: 51633)
Tuesday 27; 17:30 – 19:00	International and European Environmental Law Series*

Council Chamber Free attendance. Event Code: 51726 Wednesday 28 Event Code: 51634	Judicial Protection of the Environment- Here and Abroad Lord Justice Carnwath Data Protection Series EU Constitution: The Relationship Between Privacy and Data Protection
MAY	
Monday 10 / Tuesday 11 Senate House, Malet St WC1 £330 BIICL members £660 Non-members £165 Students £65 Conference Dinner 14 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51506	Fourth Annual Conference on International and Comparative Competition Law: The Transatlantic Antitrust Dialogue R Hewitt Pate, US Department of Justice; Professor Steve Salop, Georgetown University; Kris DeKeyser, European Commission; Phil Evans, Consumers' Association; John Kallaugher, Latham & Watkins; Bill Kolasky, Wilmer, Cutler, & Pickering; Derek Ridyard, RBB Economics; Gavin Robert, Linklaters; Richard Wainwright, European Commission; John Vickers, OFT
Monday 10; 17:30 – 19:00 Council Chamber Free attendance. Event Code: 51727	International and European Environmental Law Series* Climate Change, the United States and the Function of International Law Professor Philippe Sands QC, University College London
Tuesday 11; 9.00 – 17.00: Event Code: 51507 £40 BIICL Members and Academics	WTO Series: WTO, GATS and Financial Services
Wednesday 12; Senate House, Malet St WC1 £90 BIICL members; £135 Non-members 7 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51507	WTO Series: Fourth Annual WTO Conference Dispute Settlement in the WTO Chairs: Advocate General Francis Jacobs and Professor John H Jackson
Thursday 13; 9.00 –17.00; details to be confirmed	WTO Series Research Seminar: Discrimination, Restrictions, and other Barriers to Access the EU, WTO, and other Trade Agreements
Thursday 13; details to be confirmed Event Code: 51639	Seminar: The Precedential Value of Decisions by International Arbitral Tribunals: Sources of International Law?
Tuesday 18; 17.15 – 19.30 £40 BIICL members; £70 Non-members £20 Students. 2 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51620	Practitioner Workshops Series in International Commercial Arbitration The Approach of National Courts to International Commercial Arbitration: Help or Hindrance?
JUNE	
Date to be confirmed. Event Code: 51728	Lecture Series: Second Stuart Chalfen Annual Memorial Lecture
Date to be confirmed. Event Code: 51635	European Court of Human Rights: Year in Review
Wednesday 2. Event Code: 51636	Data Protection Series: Medical Records and Genetic Data
Tuesday 8; 17.15 – 19.30 £40 BIICL members; £70 Non-members £20 Students. 2 CPD Hours: Event Code: 51621	Practitioner Workshops Series in International Commercial Arbitration The Finality of an Arbitral Award: A Good Thing?
Wednesday 9; 17:30- 19:00 Council Chamber Free attendance. Event Code: 51729	International and European Environmental Law Series* The Aarhus Convention and Environmental Governance in the European Union Professor Kurt Deketelaere
Friday 11; all-day. Members free. Venue: Goodenough College, Mecklenburgh Square, London WC1. Event Code: 51508	BIICL Annual Meeting 2004 Opening Lecture: Professor Vaughan Lowe, Chichele Professor of Public International Law, Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford
Thursday 17; Fondation Universitaire, Brussels By invitation only. Event Code: 57804	Sixth Meeting of the Competition Law Forum and CLF dinner Air Transport Chair: Philippe Chappatte
Monday 21 Event Code: 51516	In association with the Franco-British Lawyers Association The French Civil Code and its International Influence
JULY	
Wednesday 14 Event Code: 51637	Data Protection Series Technology: A Help or Hindrance to the Protection of Privacy?
SEPTEMBER	
Wednesday 22; 13.30 – 18.45 By invitation only. Event Code: 57805	Seventh Meeting of the Competition Law Forum and CLF dinner Criminalisation & Leniency Chair: Julian Joshua
OCTOBER	
Wednesday 6. Event Code: 51638	Data Protection Series: India – Data Protection Laws
Wednesday 6; 17.30	Sir Hersch Lauterpacht Memorial Lecture Speaker: Ian Brownlie QC
NOVEMBER	
Date to be confirmed	Grotius Lecture and Dinner 2004
Date to be confirmed	28th FA Mann Lecture
DECEMBER	
Wednesday 1; 13.30 – 18.45 By invitation only. Event Code: 57806	Eighth Meeting of the Competition Law Forum and CLF dinner Modernisation II Chair: Margaret Moore

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