



British Institute of
International and
Comparative Law

Short Course: Aviation Law

DRAFT Course Timetable

17 and 24 November, 1, 8 and 15 December 2021

14.00 – 16.00 UK time

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	Date/time (UK)	Topic
Wednesday 17 November	14.00 – 16.00	Economic regulation of air transport – The era of regulation i. The “Constitution” of international air transport (1919 Paris Convention; 1944 Chicago Convention; principle of national sovereignty; establishment of ICAO to supervise the technical/safety aspects of air transport/safety). ii. States in charge of the economic regulation of air transport: bilateral air services agreements. iii. Nationality restrictions in air services agreements and national laws. iv. Exchange of traffic rights on a quid-pro-quo basis; equality of outcome v. equality of opportunity. v. The nurturing of national flag carriers. State aid/subsidies.
Wednesday 24 November	14.00 – 16.00	Economic regulation of air transport – The era of deregulation/liberalisation i. Domestic and international deregulation/liberalisation; the role of ICAO. ii. Obstacles to liberalisation: restrictions on foreign inward investment in national airlines; national sovereignty; air transport’s nature as an economic activity and a public utility.
Wednesday 1 December	14.00 – 16.00	Competition law and air transport



		<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Cross-border airline mergers risky due to ownership and control restrictions. Danger that traffic rights will be lost.ii. International airline alliances as a substitute for cross-border mergers. Antitrust immunity.iii. Competition analysis by NCAs – evidence of regulatory convergence.
Wednesday 8 December	14.00 – 16.00	Covid-19 and aviation <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. State measures in response to the crisis (closure of national airspace; relaxation of the “use it or lose it” rule in slot allocation; State aid/subsidies; public service obligations).ii. Challenges for competition and consumer welfare post-Covid 19.
Wednesday 15 December	14.00 – 16.00	Aviation and the environment <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Historical overview (international framework; EU emissions trading scheme; ICAO Carbon Offsetting Scheme for International Aviation - CORSIA).ii. Current realities (Covid-19 implications for CORSIA; 2019 European Green Deal; measures to foster innovation in aviation).