

Bingham Centre Events

Short Course Brexit and the Rule of Law

6 CPD hours

Date:	Tuesday 17 October 2017
Location:	British Institute of International and Comparative Law Charles Clore House, 17 Russell Square, London WC1B 5JP
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Why you should attend this course

The rule of law has universal relevance for all involved in the law, justice system and legal policy. This innovative course introduces participants to using the rule of law as a practical tool for legal work in the context of the UK's withdrawal from the European Union. The impending withdrawal raises a number of rule of law issues for those in government and parliament directly involved in the withdrawal process, and for legal practitioners, judges and academia. Through attendance of this course, you will understand how Lord Bingham's rule of law principles apply to various aspects of Brexit, and how the rule of law can be drawn upon as an invaluable principle and framework for your work. The course will be conducted so as to encourage interactive discussions using practical examples to enhance applied learning.

The Bingham Centre's leading rule of law experts deliver the sessions that are aimed not only at those in legal practice, but also NGO staff and academics who work on law reform and legal policy. The sessions use rule of law standards, such as the Venice Commission's Rule of Law Checklist, as a touchstone and resource that translates the rule of law into a detailed set of questions and issues.

Course topics

- **Introduction to the Rule of Law**
A brief overview of Lord Bingham's 8 rule of law principles
- **Making the Law Accessible and Foreseeable**
A key challenge of Brexit will be to clarify the content of EU law that will continue to apply in the UK upon exit, unless it is modified. What exactly is 'retained EU law' and when is 'exit day' under the EU Withdrawal Bill?
- **Delegated Powers and Accountability**
A fundamental principle underlying the rule of law in the UK is that the law is made after parliamentary scrutiny. As Lord Judge has pointed out, 'the process of Brexit poses the greatest challenge ever faced by our legislative processes'. What is the scope and nature of the powers delegated by the EU Withdrawal Bill and what does that mean for state accountability?
- **Access to Effective Legal Remedies**
Brexit has created uncertainty regarding what role the Court of Justice of the EU will play during and beyond withdrawal, and the position of the UK courts when faced with matters implicating EU law.
- **The Legal Status of EU Nationals in the UK**
The Government has published its plan to safeguard the position of EU citizens living in the UK, which links lawful presence with the right to remain. This module will examine the extent to which this is compliant with the rule of law principle of legal certainty and non-retrospectivity, and it will also consider the future of rights acquired by EU citizens under EU law.
- **Brexit and its Impact on Northern Ireland**
This session will examine some of the rule of law issues arising as a result of Brexit for Northern Ireland, as well as the implications of withdrawal for the border between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, from an international law perspective.

Teaching arrangements

Teaching will be seminar style with an emphasis on class discussion and applied learning.

All sessions will be taught in English. If you are not a native English speaker, you will need to have experience of studying in English at university level or to have achieved an appropriate score in the International Language Testing System (IELTS) or an equivalent programme.

CPD Equivalent

Participating in this course provides the equivalent of **6 CPD hours**.

Fees and applying

The course fee is £235 (incl. VAT) and covers:

- Tuition and course materials
- Refreshments (tea/coffee/water) during sessions plus sandwiches during the lunch breaks
- Certificate of completion (hardcopy and electronic version).

Booking deadline: 2nd October 2017 (Places are limited. Early booking is advised).

Group Booking Discount

- A 15% discount applies if four or more people from the same company register.
- A 30% discount will apply to third sector organisations booking two or more places.

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