



Research Fellow in Private International Law

Background

1. The British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL) is one of the leading independent research centres for international and comparative law, and the rule of law in the world. Our research, events, training and publications are grounded in deep scholarly knowledge and strong practical experience that can be applied to many situations. We continue to make an impact on law and policy around the world.
2. BIICL has a long-established track record in conducting research and events on private international law, with a major focus on cross-border litigation. Current and recent work has considered the impact of Brexit on private international law, cross-border collective redress and judicial cooperation post-Brexit.

Job Description

3. BIICL is seeking to appoint a strong candidate as a Research Fellow to be a member of the private international law research team until 31 December 2020.
4. The Research Fellow will be expected to undertake the following:
 - Produce high quality research on private international law and draft high quality studies;
 - Work in a team with other researchers, including external consultants and interns;
 - Coordinate research activities and input of all members of the research team;
 - Organise and manage high quality events in the area;
 - Interact with practitioners, academics, policy-makers and others in this field, from a range of countries.
5. This is a fixed-term post to 31 December 2020 to commence as soon as possible. There are no teaching duties. The post is offered on either a full- or part-time basis (minimum of 0.6fte) and secondments for this period will also be considered. The post will be based in London; however flexible arrangements can be considered including some remote working and with regard to distribution of hours.
6. The salary package will be in the range £25,000 - £28,000 pa, depending on qualifications and experience. It is hoped that the person appointed will commence as soon as possible.

Person Specification

7. The successful applicant will have the following mix of experience, skills and attributes:
 - A Masters or PhD in private international law/international litigation, business law or a closely related area or equivalent research experience;
 - A record of published research in the above areas;
 - A record of co-ordinating research activity in this field;
 - Some experience in legal practice would be an advantage;



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- Excellent written English and effective communication skills in disseminating research findings and other activities to a diverse international community;
- A record of interacting appropriately with practitioners, academics, policy-makers and others in this field, from a range of countries;
- An ability to organise and manage events to a high standard;
- An ability to be self-starting and self-sufficient, and to manage with minimal administrative support; and
- An ability and willingness to work collaboratively and collegially with colleagues.

Application Process

8. Applicants should send the following by email to RFPrivIL@biicl.org.
 - The BIICL application cover form (available at www.biicl.org/vacancies) including the names and addresses of three referees (two of whom may be contacted prior to interview);
 - A full curriculum vitae;
 - A covering letter setting out their reasons for applying and how they consider that they meet the person specification for this post.
9. The deadline for applications is **Monday 20 August 2018**. Interviews are expected to take place in the week beginning 3 September 2018.
10. To be considered for this role, all applicants must currently have the right to work in the UK or will have the right to work in the UK by the date of commencement of employment.
11. We regret that we are unable to acknowledge receipt of applications personally, as we are a charitable organization with limited funds. If you do not hear from us regarding interviews within four weeks of the closing date, your application has been unsuccessful.
12. Applicants are encouraged to find out more about the Institute and its members of staff and activities at: <http://www.biicl.org>.