The 2012
British Institute of International and Comparative Law
Annual Conference and Grotius Lecture

Thursday 25 October

At BMA House, Tavistock Square, London, WC1H 9JP
Annual Conference

International Law, the Rule of Law and Constitutional Change

The conference will consider the impact of 'Arab Spring' through three panels addressing Rule of Law, Public International Law, and International Investment Law

12.30 - 13.00 Registration

13.00 - 13.05 Welcome Address

Dame Rosalyn Higgins DBE QC
President, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

13.05 - 14.30 Panel One: Rule of Law

Chair: Elizabeth Wilmshurst, Fellow of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House and Visiting Professor, University College London

Speakers:
Dr Tariq Ali Baloch, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
Lawyering in the Arab Spring: Insights on the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry

Naina Patel, Blackstone Chambers and Visiting Fellow, Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law, British Institute of International and Comparative Law
The Rule of Law in Fragile and Conflict-Affected States

Professor Marc Weller, Director of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law
Transitions of the Arab Spring - International Mediation Perspective

14.30 - 14.40 Short Break

14.40 - 16.10 Panel Two: Public International Law

Chair: Alice Lacourt, Legal Counsellor, Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Speakers:
Professor Shaheen Sardar Ali, University of Warwick
Islamic Tradition and Universality of Human Rights

Professor Dino Kritsiotis, University of Nottingham
Massive Violations of Human Rights and the Use of Force

Professor Nick Grief, University of Kent and Doughty Street Chambers
Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons in the Middle East and North Africa

16.10 - 16.30 Tea Break

16.30 - 18.00 Panel Three: International Investment Law

Chair: N. Jansen Calamita, Senior Research Fellow in International Trade and Investment Law, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Speakers:
Anthony Sinclair, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP
The Feasibility of Re-structuring of Investments in the Region to Maximize Legal Protection under International Investment Treaties

Andrew Tobin, Clyde & Co
The Arab Spring: Its impact on the Political Risk Insurance Market

Dr Charles Gurdon, Menas Associates
The Implications of the Upheaval of the Arab Spring and the Imposition of International Sanctions on Certain Countries for Political Risk Insurance Coverage
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The Arab Spring, the Arab Awakening or the Ongoing Arab Revolution?

A lecture by

Professor Cherif Bassiouni
Emeritus Professor of Law at DePaul University

18.30 - 19.00  Registration
19.00 - 20.00  Grotius Lecture

Introduction by:
Professor Robert McCorquodale
Director, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Professor Cherif Bassiouni, Emeritus Professor of Law at DePaul University
The Arab Spring, the Arab Awakening or the Ongoing Arab Revolution?

20.15 - 20.30  Registration
20.30 - 23.00  Grotius Dinner

After dinner speaker:
Sir Franklin Berman KCMG QC
Chairman of Board of Trustees, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

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