UNCLOS AT 30

PROGRAMME

DAY 1: THURSDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER

12:30-13:30  Registration with sandwich lunch

13:30-14:00  Welcome and Introductory Remarks on the 30th Anniversary of UNCLOS
Jill Barrett, British Institute of International and Comparative Law
Sir Michael Wood KCMG, 20 Essex Chambers and UN International Law Commission

14:00-15:30  Panel 1: Recent developments and new challenges to UNCLOS
Chair  Sam Wordsworth, Essex Court Chambers
Speakers  Chris Whomersley, Foreign & Commonwealth Office
  • Recent developments in the United Kingdom’s practice relating to UNCLOS
  Professor Keyuan Zou, University of Central Lancashire
  • The South China Sea disputes and China’s approach to UNCLOS
  Professor Maria Gavouneli, University of Athens, Greece
  • Energy at sea: a new challenge?

15:30-16:00  Break

16:00-17:30  Panel 2: The Outer Continental Shelf (beyond 200 nautical miles)
Chair  Professor Malcolm D Evans OBE, University of Bristol
Speakers  Professor David Ong, Nottingham Trent University
  • Delimitation of the continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles and prospects for revenue sharing between States and the International Community
  Professor Robin Churchill, University of Dundee
  • To what extent may a coastal State exercise its rights on its outer continental shelf before the outer limit has been established in accordance with Article 76 and Annex II of UNCLOS?
  Dr Lindsay Parson, Maritime Zone Solutions Ltd, UK
  • Observations on the Article 76 process to date: Coastal states submissions and the work outstanding for the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

19:00-20:00  END OF DAY 1 – DRINKS RECEPTION AT TITANIC BELFAST
DAY 2: FRIDAY, 23\textsuperscript{RD} NOVEMBER

09:00-10:30 Panel 3: Jurisdiction and Governance in International Waters

Chair  
The Honourable Mr Justice R Weatherup, High Court of Northern Ireland

Speakers  
Dr Marie Jacobsson, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden, UN International Law Commission and University of Lund
- Protecting Maritime Graves: the case of the wreck of M/S Estonia

Professor David Freestone, Sargasso Sea Alliance and George Washington University, USA
- High seas governance and high seas marine protected areas

Professor Nilufer Oral, Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey
- Governance of straits used for international navigation

10:30-11:00 Break

11:00-12:30 Panel 4: Protecting the Marine Environment

Chair  
Dr Brian Jack, Queen's University Belfast

Speakers  
Professor Alan Boyle, University of Edinburgh and Essex Court Chambers
- Ocean Governance and Climate Change

Professor Catherine Redgwell, University College London
- Climate change responses – is UNCLOS fit for purpose?

Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice, Queen Mary, University of London
- Enhanced marine environmental protection: the Baltic Sea approach

12:30-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:00 Panel 5: Settlement of Disputes under UNCLOS

Chair  
David H. Anderson CMG, Former Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS)

Speakers  
Stephen Fietta, Volterra Fietta
- The resolution of maritime boundary disputes under Part XV of UNCLOS – have Annex VII arbitration and ITLOS worked in practice?

Dr Ronán Long, National University of Ireland Galway
- The EU and Law of the Sea Dispute Settlement

Professor Shotaro Hamamoto, University of Kyoto, Japan
- The evolution of ITLOS jurisprudence on prompt release of vessels

15:00-15:30 Concluding Remarks – Looking to the Future

Chair  
Jill Barrett, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Speaker  
Professor Richard Barnes, University of Hull