Annual Conference
16 June 2006

Venues

Morning session: 09:00 until 13:00
The School of Oriental and African Studies,
Brunei Gallery, University of London,
Thornhaugh Street, Russell Square, London, WC1H 0XG
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Afternoon session: 13:00 until 18.30
The British Institute of International and Comparative Law
Charles Clore House, 17 Russell Square,
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Event Programme

Morning Session

Venue: The Brunei Gallery, SOAS, University of London, Thornhaugh Street, Russell Square, London, WC1H 0XG (See map on back page)
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09:00 - 09:30 Registration and Tea/Coffee

Plenary session - 9:30 - 10:45

Welcome: The Rt Hon Lord Bingham of Cornhill KG
Chairman, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Introduction: Professor Gillian Triggs Director, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Keynote speech: The Future of the European Constitution and the Role of the European Court of Justice
The Rt Hon Sir Francis Jacobs KCMG QC Former Advocate General at the Court of Justice of the European Communities

10:45 - 11:15 Morning Coffee/Tea

Plenary session - 11:15 - 13:00

Witnessing Genocide? – Evidence Issues in the International Court of Justice

Convenor: Anna Riddell British Institute of International and Comparative Law

This session will discuss the issues of evidence before the ICJ currently being examined by the British Institute of International and Comparative Law project on ‘Evidence in International Courts and Tribunals’. The implications of the non-appearance of state parties, evidential requirements for preliminary objections and witness testimony are amongst the topics which will be covered. This discussion is particularly timely given the many points of evidence arising in the Bosnia - Herzegovina v Serbia and Montenegro Genocide case currently before the Court, which will be discussed by some of the panellists.

Chair: Sir Franklin Berman, KCMG QC, Essex Court Chambers, London

Speakers:
- Professor Alain Pellet University of Paris X-Nanterre; Counsel for Bosnia - Herzegovina in all phases of the Genocide case
- Dr Chittharanjan Ameasninghe Former Judge at the UN Tribunal and World Bank Tribunal; Member of the Institut de Droit International; author, Evidence in International Courts and Tribunals (Brill Academic Publishers 2005)
- Professor Khawar Qureshi Serle Court Chambers, London; SOAS; Counsel for Bosnia - Herzegovina until 1998
- Professor Andreas Zimmermann Kiel University; Director of Walter Schucking Institute; Counsel for Serbia Montenegro in all phases of the case

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13:00 - 14:00 Buffet lunch - Council Chamber (Ground floor)

Parallel sessions - 14:00-15:30

Law and Development Panel: Afghanistan – Fundamental Legal Issues

Convenor: Hugo Warner British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Chair: Jeremy Carver CBE, Clifford Chance LLP and Transparency International; BIICL Board of Trustees

Venue: The Conference Room (Ground Floor)

The approach of this discussion panel will be varied, addressing the relevant aspects and prospects for the Afghan Compact of January 2006 following from the Bonn process; it will address the interface between Afghan traditional justice and donor-led initiatives to establish the rule of law and legal institutions; women’s rights; and Afghanistan’s compliance with its broader international law obligations.

The discussion takes place in the wider context of the Institute’s establishment of a Law and Development Programme, in which legal expertise can be brought to bear in a development context.

Hugo Warner British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Dr Nejib Boussedra Senior Managing Director and Director of Projects in Afghanistan, International Development Law Organization

Professor Christine Chinkin London School of Economics, BIICL Board of Trustees

Emmanuel Reinert Executive Director, The Senlis Council

Dr Ali Wardak, University of Glamorgan
BOOK LAUNCH:
The Rt Hon Lord Bingham of Cornhill, Chairman of the British Institute of International and Comparative Law, presents:

European Tort Law by C van Dam

European Law and Competition Law Panel:
Pressures for European Court Reform – Competition and other issues

Convenors: Professor Cees van Dam and Dr Philip Marsden
British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Venue: The Lecture Theatre (Lower Ground Floor)
The panel will discuss the need for reform of the European Court of Justice. The two speakers will focus on competition law issues, whereas the discussant will broaden the discussion to a more general Community law perspective.

Chair: Judge Nicholas Forwood Court of First Instance of the European Communities

Speakers:
Andrea Appella Time Warner
Kyriakos Fountoukakis Herbert Smith, London

Discussant: David O’Keeffe Emeritus Professor of European Law, University College, London (to be confirmed)

International and European Environmental Law

Convenor: Dr Susan Breau Dorset Fellow in Public International Law, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Venue: L103 (Lower Ground Floor)
The panel looks at the role of general principles such as the precautionary principle and sustainability in international and European environmental law and also examines the place of the environment in the new international agenda after the Millennium Summit.

Chair: Professor Alan Boyle Professor of Public International Law, Edinburgh Law School

Speakers:
Dr Liz Fisher Fellow in Law, Corpus Christi College, University of Oxford
David M Ong Reader in International and Environmental Law, University of Essex Law School
Dr Paolo Galizzi Centre for Environmental Policy, Imperial College, London

Parallel sessions - 16:00-17:30

Protection of Legitimate Expectations in International Trade and Investment Law

Convenor: Dr Federico Ortino British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Venue: The Lecture Theatre (Lower Ground Floor)
The panel looks at how the legal concept of protection of legitimate expectations has developed in public international law, in particular focusing on WTO law and the law on foreign investment.

Chair: Professor James Crawford University of Cambridge; Matrix Chambers, London

Speakers: Dr Chester Brown Clifford Chance LLP, London
Stephen Fietta Latham & Watkins, London
Dr Federico Ortino British Institute of International and Comparative Law
Dr Soren Schonberg European Commission, DG Trade (to be confirmed)

Comparative Law: Pitfalls in Comparative Law (Use and Abuse of Comparative Law)

Convenors: Professor Cees van Dam and Dr Duncan Fairgrieve, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Venue: The Conference Room (Ground Floor)

Chair: The Rt Hon Lord Mance

Speakers: Professor Gerhard Wagner University of Bonn
Professor John Bell University of Cambridge
Professor Cees van Dam British Institute of International and Comparative Law
Dr Duncan Fairgrieve British Institute of International and Comparative Law

17:30-18:30 Drinks Reception, Council Chamber (Ground Floor)

BOOK LAUNCH:
Professor James Crawford University of Cambridge; Matrix Chambers presents:

International Law: Contemporary Principles and Practices by G Triggs

15:30-16:00 Afternoon Tea/Coffee:
Venue – Council Chamber (Ground Floor)
Forthcoming Institute Conferences and Lectures

24 June 2006:
Leiden / London Meeting: Legal aspects of EU-US relations. In association with the University of Leiden

6/7 July 2006:
The Sixth Annual Trans-Atlantic Antitrust Dialogue.
Sponsored by Lovells; Freshfields; Clifford Chance; FIPRA

8 September 2006:
7th Investment Treaty Forum Public Conference

13 October 2006:
Role and Future of the EU Judicial System

6 November 2006:
30th Annual FA Mann Lecture

22 November 2006:
Liability of Safety Supervisors

24 November 2006:
BIICL 5th Annual Merger Conference

11 December 2006:
The Annual Grotius Lecture
Speaker: Pieter Hendrik Kooijmans

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The Institute provides a forum for public debate on international law through its research, lectures and seminars. Its aims are to:

• support the international rule of law in global problem-solving
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• assist developing countries through legal capacity-building and training
• ensure its work is available globally through the Institute’s freely accessible website and publications such as the International and Comparative Law Quarterly and Bulletin of International Legal Developments.

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Maps and directions

Morning Session

The Brunei Gallery is located between Malet Street and Thornhaugh Street, in the north-west corner of Russell Square opposite the main entrance to SOAS. The nearest London Underground station is Russell Square.

Afternoon Session

The British Institute of International and Comparative Law is situated on the north side of Russell Square on the corner of Bedford Way. The nearest London Underground station is Russell Square.

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