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A Study of Global Evaluative Processes for Legal Education and Scholarship

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9th Annual Meeting

Developing Approaches and Standards for a Global Legal Education

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Are You Internationalizing Your Faculty?

In order for internationalization to succeed with our Member Schools, faculty participation is essential. As part of the Associations drive to shape a globalized legal education for our changing world we will be setting aside areas for your school to set up face to face meetings and hand out information on your schools International Programs. Are you looking to hire professors/lecturers from abroad or have an exchange program? If you are attending the Annual Meeting and would like us to save a space for your school please contact us.

Has a position opened up at your school? Send us information and we will post it on our Job Board online. It is free for members! Searching for a new position? Make sure to look at our Job Board for openings at our member schools! [Click here to view the IALS Job Board.](#)

Dean's Message



IE Law School is part of IE University, a very young institution created on the trails of the very well-known IE Business School. IE Law School was created, together with IE Business School, 40 years ago. In the beginning it offered two LLM programs, fully taught in Spanish. Nowadays, IE Law School is a fully fledged school, with a well-balanced academic portfolio including many programs at undergraduate, postgraduate and executive education level, taught both in Spanish and English, some of which are offered in cooperation with prestigious partner institutions. IE University hosts students from almost 110 nationalities, and IE Law School shares in that rich diversity which, together with a constant search for excellence through innovation and an entrepreneurial spirit, constitute the defining features of the school. Legal education globally confronts many important and exciting challenges, but we are certain that, working with key stakeholders such as our 7,000 strong Alumni community and our fellow law schools within IALS, we will be able to confront them very successfully.

-Javier de Cendra
Dean, IE Law School and IALS Board Member



Regional Law Deans' Forums

After 17 meetings over the past four years, more than 450 law school and law faculty deans and chairs and Judges have arrived at these two foundational documents. These principles will now serve as the base for our continuing discourse of exploring and identifying commonalities which will properly prepare our students to meet the challenges of the world they will inherit.

Thank you to our generous 2015 law school hosts and their colleagues in so professionally and graciously hosting the forums. The University of Namibia, Swakopmund, Namibia; Universidad Sergio Arboleda, Bogota, Colombia; Far Eastern Federal University, Vladivostok, Russia; and University of Trento, Trento, Italy. Without their help, this would not have been possible.

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Formulated in Africa
2015 African Law Deans' Forum
University of Namibia, Swakopmund, Namibia



Debated in the Americas
2015 Americas Law Deans' Forum
Universidad Sergio Arboleda, Bogota, Colombia



Crystalized in Europe
2015 European Law Deans' Forum
University of Trento, Trento, Italy



Finalized in Asia-Pacific
2015 Asia-Pacific Law Deans' Forum
Far Eastern Federal University, Vladivostok, Russia

Interested in Hosting?



Annual Meeting, Global Law Deans' Forum or Regional Law Deans' Forum?

We are currently looking for members to host the 2016 and 2017 IALS Annual Meeting, Global Law Deans' Forum or Regional Law Deans' Forum. If you have interest, time and resources in hosting a Meeting or Forum please [complete this short questionnaire](#). After completion we will send a detailed IALS – Hosting Management Guide, which includes further details regarding hosting an annual meeting.

Visiting Professors' Program

The International Association of Law Schools is now accepting expressions of interest from its members to be a host school for a faculty member from another member school. The visiting faculty member will teach, pursue a collaborative research project with your faculty, participate in workshops and conferences, and present a paper on the visitor's scholarship. As a host, your school is to provide or assist the IALS Visiting Professor with comfortable and suitable housing, access to library and research facilities, an office, and, where appropriate a meal plan. Please contact us for a comprehensive description of the host school's responsibilities.

If you are interested in becoming an IALS Visiting Professors' host institution, [please complete this application](#). Our Visiting Professors' Committee will then provide the host institution a number of prescreened candidates from which the host school can select the most appropriate one for its needs. We hope you can join us in facilitating the exchange of legal scholars among our community of the world's law schools.

Governor's Message



"I've been delighted to have participated in numerous workshops and meetings of the International Association of Law Schools. The Association serves as a vital forum where law schools have an opportunity to engage with each other in developing new relationships for collaboration and scholarship in enriching legal education worldwide. The Singapore Declaration on Global Standards and Outcomes of a Legal Education adopted at the IALS Global Law Deans' Forum in Singapore in 2013 is an example of the great willingness of law schools around the globe to come together and develop a common understanding of shared values and goals for educating the lawyers of the future. I am honored to have been elected to serve on the Association's Board of Governors, and look forward to working with our members who represent the vast global diversity of other legal systems and cultures. I have dedicated my professional life to legal education and law reform. As an American law school professor and the former Chancellor and Dean of my law school, I know we have much to learn and to share with our non-American colleagues. The Association offers the opportunity for members to work together to address the challenges facing legal education in these unsettling times. I invite all law school leaders to contribute their insights and experience and to join this significant effort to embrace the world's law schools in approaching legal education on a collective basis."

**Mary Kay Kane, Chancellor and Dean Emeritus
University of California, Hastings College of Law**

Member's Spotlight

University of Pretoria

7th Nelson Mandela World Human Rights Moot Court Competition, 8 – 10 December 2015, Geneva, Switzerland. Presented by the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, South Africa in collaboration with the Office of The United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (Regional Office for Southern Africa (OHCHR-ROSA) and selected partners. Click here for more information, <http://www.chr.up.ac.za/index.php/projects/world-moot.html>

University of Dhaka, AIM Monsoor Foundation

A Research Foundation between SOAS, UK and Faculty of Law, University of Dhaka. AIM Monsoor Foundation was established to build up a link between the researchers and teachers of law, the University of Dhaka and SOAS, University of London to conduct research on Gender and Law. The Foundation was approached during the British Council Researcher workshop on "Governance and Management of Gender Relations: A Comparative Study of Law and Society" in February, 2015. This Foundation will contribute to connecting the researchers and teachers of both the UK and Bangladesh. [Click here for more information.](#)

Università degli Studi di Milano, University of Milan

The LL.M. in Sustainable Development at the University of Milan is the first European Graduate Programme aiming at improving the legal skills necessary to better grasp the three interconnected dimensions (economic, social and environmental) of sustainable development. It will allow students to obtain in-depth interdisciplinary academic training to specialize in key issues agreed upon by the International Community during the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (UNSD or "Rio post-2015 agenda"). Click here for more information, <http://www.llmsd.unimi.it/>

University of Lausanne

Otto-Riese Memorial Lecture by UNCTAD Secretary-General on Thursday 17 September 2015.

Mukhisa Kituyi, of Kenya, who became UNCTAD's seventh Secretary-General on 1 September 2013, will deliver the Otto-Riese-Memorial Lecture on Thursday 17 September 2015 at 17:15 at the Opening Ceremony of the LL.M Programme in International and European Economic and Commercial Law (MAS) of the University of Lausanne. Click here for more information, <http://www.unil.ch/getactu/wwwllm/1431067957038/>

Preferential Trade and Investment Agreements: Curse or Blessing? (Workshop)

On Friday 18 September 2015 the Study Group on Preferential Trade and Investment Agreements (PTIAs) of the International Law Association (ILA) will hold its second workshop with presentations by its members at the University of Lausanne. Click here for more information, <http://www.unil.ch/getactu/wwwllm/1433837184473/>

Only An End To Impunity Will Wipe Away Our Tears

By Luis Franceschi

Dean, Strathmore University and IALS Board Member



The 2015 African Law Deans Forum concluded yesterday. It was held in Swakopmund, a beautiful beach town squeezed between the desert and the Atlantic Ocean, on the Namibian coast. The University of Namibia had been a fantastic host. There were more than forty deans and several senior judges from many African countries, including the Chief Justice of Namibia, Hon Peter Shivute, the Namibian Attorney-General, Sakeus Shanghala, and a special guest, Justice Diarmuid O'Scannlain, a respected, seasoned judge in the United States Courts of Appeals, who gave a brilliant speech on judiciary independence. The debate revolved around evaluation standards for law schools within the framework of the Singapore Declaration, a document passed by unanimity at the 2013 Global Law Forum in Singapore.

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Message from our Board Member



The International Association of Law Schools is one of the most vital associations of the Global community. It was my honor to have participated in plenty of meetings of IALS' and I am proud to have been elected to serve on the Association's Board of Governors. The Association serves as a crucial platform where law schools have a prospect to involve with each other in increasing new relationships for partnership and scholarship in empowering legal education universally. IALS' purpose and dream revolves around issues of legal education as Globalization, Standards, Experience, Justice and Ethics. The Singapore Declaration on Global Standards and Outcomes of a Legal Education adopted at the IALS Global Law Deans' Forum in Singapore in 2013 has highlighted that future lawyers must not only have knowledge and skills but also values of fundamental principles of justice and the rule of law. IALS' has done history for future generation and will be doing so forever. I wish IALS' success!

Taslima Monsoor, Dean
Dhaka University, Faculty of Law

Membership

Dues: Please continue your membership so that you, your faculty and your students are eligible to participate in these activities with the global legal education community. Thank you to our renewing members who have paid their 2015 Membership Dues.

Members Only Website: Join the IALS Members Website to participate in discussions and forums, and post questions and receive feedback. All meeting minutes and papers will be posted on this site. In order to participate in this site your school must be a current IALS member. **To sign up [click here!](#)**

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