

International Law Association
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“Bridging for the Future”

29 November – 13 December 2020



Hosted by the International Law Association – Japan Branch

Welcome

Greetings from the ILA Japan Branch. We had been looking forward to welcoming you to the historic city of Kyoto in August for the ILA 79th Biennial Conference. However, the worldwide spread of the Covid-19 made that impossible. So, after close consultations with the ILA Headquarters, the decision was made not to hold it as scheduled. At the ILA Executive Council in May 2020, a consensus was reached that the Closing Plenary Session of the Biennial Conference would be held, instead, online on Sunday, 13 December 2020. That is the very date on which the Japan Branch was founded 100 years ago. It was further agreed that the online conference would still be called the 2020 Kyoto Conference.



The main theme remains "Bridging for the Future". The Kyoto Conference is intended to bridge the past, present and future while connecting the East, West, North and South. Japan's fundamental foreign policy is to establish and strengthen the rule of law in international relations, and I trust that the Kyoto Conference will contribute to promoting this goal.

The Japan Branch had planned to organize more than 20 panels covering various fields of international law in addition to the ILA Committees and Study Groups. Although constraints of the online system required a more modest approach, the Japan Branch and the ILA Headquarters are collaborating closely to organize Committees and Study Groups open sessions totaling up to about 14 meetings as well as several parallel panels, with one day designated as "Young Scholars Day". These events will take place in the two weeks after the Opening Plenary Session, which is currently scheduled for Sunday, 29 November 2020.

For more than two years leading up to this May, the Japan Branch had spent a significant amount of time, as well as human and financial resources, preparing for the originally planned August Kyoto Conference. The unavoidable switch to the online format made much of that planning moot and created additional difficulties, especially in finance and conference

organization. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the ILA Headquarters and many Branches for kindly understanding our difficulties and offering various forms of help including financial assistance.

The Japan Branch is now making every effort to prepare for a fruitful Biennial Conference online. The online format presents a new challenge to all ILA members, and many difficulties must be overcome. In my view, one positive aspect of going online is that it opens the doors of the ILA Biennial Conference, and even those of the ILA itself, to a wider range of participants, especially young scholars and practitioners, without requiring expensive international travel.

I very much regret the loss of the opportunity to host ILA members, family, and guests from abroad in the beautiful city of Kyoto. I earnestly hope that another chance will arise for us to do so in the near future.

Sincerely,

Shunji Yanai

President, ILA Japan Branch

Program at a glance

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AM	(Cmt) Committee meetings
PM	(SG) Study Group meetings
	(Panel) Panels

Time						29-Nov-20	3-Dec-20	5-Dec-20	6-Dec-20	7-Dec-20	8-Dec-20	9-Dec-20	10-Dec-20	11-Dec-20	13-Dec-20
San Francisco	New York	London	Frankfurt	Sydney	Kyoto	Sunday	Thursday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sunday
PST/JST-17	EST/JST-14	GMT/JST-9	CEST/JST-8	AEST/JST+2	JST							YOUNG SCHOLARS DAY			
7:00	10:00	15:00	16:00	2:00	0:00										
7:30	10:30	15:30	16:30	2:30	0:30										
8:00	11:00	16:00	17:00	3:00	1:00										
8:30	11:30	16:30	17:30	3:30	1:30						(Cmt) Human Rights in Times of Emergency (1:00-3:00 JST)	(SG) Cross-Border Violations of the Rights of Children in Migration, Enforcement Mechanisms & Legal Remedies (1:00-3:00 JST)	(Panel) Global Health Law (1:00-3:00 JST)		
9:00	12:00	17:00	18:00	4:00	2:00										
9:30	12:30	17:30	18:30	4:30	2:30										

21:00	0:00	5:00	6:00	16:00	14:00										
21:30	0:30	5:30	6:30	16:30	14:30		(Cmt) Procedure of International Courts and Tribunals (14:00-15:40 JST)	(Cmt) Implementation of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (14:00-15:40 JST)							
22:00	1:00	6:00	7:00	17:00	15:00										
22:30	1:30	6:30	7:30	17:30	15:30										
23:00	2:00	7:00	8:00	18:00	16:00										
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1:00	4:00	9:00	10:00	20:00	18:00										
1:30	4:30	9:30	10:30	20:30	18:30	Opening Plenary (18:00-20:00 JST)		(Cmt) Role of International Law in Sustainable Natural Resource Management for Development (18:00-19:40 JST)	(Cmt) Nuclear Weapons, Non- Proliferation and Contemporary International Law (18:00-19:40 JST)	(Cmt) Sustainable Development and the Green Economy in International Trade Law (18:00-20:00 JST)	(Panel) The 2017 Nuclear Weapons Prohibition Treaty: Its Practical Impact on Nuclear Security & Arms Control (18:00-20:00 JST)	(Panel) Int Law in the Digital World (YS) (18:00-20:00 JST)	(Cmt) Participation in Global Cultural Heritage Governance (18:00-20:00 JST)	(SG) Asian State Practice of Domestic Implementation of International Law (18:00-20:00 JST)	Closing Plenary (18:00-21:00 JST)
2:00	5:00	10:00	11:00	21:00	19:00										
2:30	5:30	10:30	11:30	21:30	19:30										
3:00	6:00	11:00	12:00	22:00	20:00										
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4:00	7:00	12:00	13:00	23:00	21:00					(Cmt) Use of Force: Military Assistance on Request (20:00-22:00 JST)	(Cmt) International Securities Regulation (20:00-22:00 JST)	(Panel) Justice and Responsibility for the Next Global Order (YS) (20:00-22:00 JST)	ILA FULL COUNCIL MEETING (20:00-22:00 JST)	(Cmt) International Monetary Law (MOCOMILA) (20:00-22:00 JST)	
4:30	7:30	12:30	13:30	23:30	21:30		(Cmt) Global Health Law (21:00-22:40 JST)						(Cmt) Intellectual Property and Private International Law (21:00-22:40 JST)		
5:00	8:00	13:00	14:00	0:00	22:00										
5:30	8:30	13:30	14:30	0:30	22:30										
6:00	9:00	14:00	15:00	1:00	23:00										
6:30	9:30	14:30	15:30	1:30	23:30					(SG) Content and Evolution of the Rules of Interpretation (23:00-1:00 JST)	(SG) International Tax Law (23:00-1:00 JST)	(Panel) Environmental Protection, Climate Change & Green Economy (YS) (23:00-1:00 JST)	(Cmt) Submarine Cables and Pipelines under International Law (23:00-1:00 JST)	(Panel) Business and Human Rights: Challenges for Future Regulation (22:00-1:00 JST)	
7:00	10:00	15:00	16:00	2:00	0:00										
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(Cmt) Committee meetings
(SG) Study Group meetings
(Panel) Panels

Timetable

	Committee meetings
	Study Group meetings
	Panels

Time (JST)	Time (GMT)	Session
Sunday, 29 November		
18:00-20:00	09:00-11:00	Opening Plenary
Thursday, 3 December		
14:00-15:40	05:00-06:40	Procedure of International Courts and Tribunals
21:00-22:40	12:00-13:40	Global Health Law
Saturday, 5 December		
14:00-15:40	05:00-06:40	Implementation of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
18:00-19:40	09:00-10:40	Role of International Law in Sustainable Natural Resource Management for Development
Sunday, 6 December		
18:00-19:40	09:00-10:40	Nuclear Weapons, Non-Proliferation and Contemporary International Law
Monday, 7 December		
18:00-20:00	09:00-11:00	Sustainable Development and the Green Economy in International Trade Law
20:00-22:00	11:00-13:00	Use of Force: Military Assistance on Request
23:00-25:00	14:00-16:00	Content and Evolution of the Rules of Interpretation
	16:00-18:00	Human Rights in Times of Emergency
Tuesday, 8 December		
01:00-03:00		Human Rights in Times of Emergency
18:00-20:00	09:00-11:00	The 2017 Nuclear Weapons Prohibition Treaty: Its Practical Impact on Nuclear Security & Arms Control
20:00-22:00	11:00-13:00	International Securities Regulation
23:00-25:00	14:00-16:00	International Tax Law
	16:00-18:00	Cross-Border Violations of the Rights of Children in Migration, Enforcement Mechanisms & Legal Remedies
Wednesday, 9 December		
01:00-03:00		Cross-Border Violations of the Rights of Children in Migration, Enforcement Mechanisms & Legal Remedies
18:00-20:00	09:00-11:00	International Law in the Digital World (YS)
20:00-22:00	11:00-13:00	Justice and Responsibility for the Next Global Order (YS)
21:00-22:40	12:00-13:40	Intellectual Property and Private International Law
23:00-25:00	14:00-16:00	Environmental Protection, Climate Change & Green Economy (YS)
	16:00-18:00	Global Health Law
Thursday, 10 December		
01:00-03:00		Global Health Law
18:00-20:00	09:00-11:00	Participation in Global Cultural Heritage Governance
20:00-22:00	11:00-13:00	ILA FULL COUNCIL MEETING
23:00-25:00	14:00-16:00	Submarine Cables and Pipelines under International Law
Friday, 11 December		
18:00-20:00	09:00-11:00	Asian State Practice of Domestic Implementation of International Law
20:00-22:00	11:00-13:00	International Monetary Law (MOCOMILA)
22:00-25:00	13:00-16:00	Business and Human Rights: Challenges for Future Regulation
Sunday, 13 December		
18:00-21:00	09:00-12:00	Closing Plenary

Opening Plenary

Sunday, 29 November 2020

18:00-20:00 (JST) / 09:00-11:00 (GMT)

1. Opening remarks
Judge Shunji Yanai, President of the Japan Branch of the International Law Association
2. Opening remarks
The Rt Hon Lord Jonathan Mance, Chair of the International Law Association
3. Handover of presidency
 - Dr Christopher Ward SC, President of the International Law Association
 - The Rt Hon Lord Jonathan Mance
 - Judge Shunji Yanai
4. Virtual Tour of the city of Kyoto (Video)
5. Professor Bodeau-Livinec, Director of Studies of the International Law Association
6. Professor Masahiko Asada, Chair of the Organizing Committee of the International Law Association Conference Kyoto 2020

COMMITTEE / STUDY GROUP / PANEL

Date	Thursday, 3 December 2020
Time	14:00-15:40 (JST) / 5:00-6:40 (GMT)
Committee	Procedure of International Courts and Tribunals
Session Chair	Mr Steven Sengayen
Committee Chair	Prof Shotaro Hamamoto (Japan Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Helene Ruiz Fabri (French Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Philippe Sands (British Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Filippo Fontanelli (Italian Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Arman Sarvarian (British Branch)
Comment	Presentation of the final report and the draft resolution

COMMITTEE / STUDY GROUP / PANEL

Date	Thursday, 3 December 2020
Time	21:00-22:40 (JST) / 12:00-13:40 (GMT)
Committee	Global Health Law
Session Chair	Prof Manuel Almedia Riberio
Committee Chair	Prof Frederick Abbott (American Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Brigit C A Toebe (Netherlands Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof Xavier Seuba (Spanish Branch)
Rapporteur	Ms Ellen 't Hoen (Netherlands Branch)

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Date	Saturday, 5 December 2020
Time	14:00-15:40 (JST) / 5:00-6:40 (GMT)
Committee	Implementation of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
Session Chair	Mr Steven Sengayen
Committee Chair	Prof Dalee Dorough (American Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Willem van Genugten (Netherlands Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof Timo Koivurova (Finnish Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Federico Lenzerini (Italian Branch)

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Date	Saturday, 5 December 2020
Time	18:00-19:40(JST) / 9:00-10:40 (GMT)
Committee	Role of International Law in Sustainable Natural Resource Management for Development
Session Chair	Prof Maria Gavouneli
Committee Chair	Prof Nicolaas J Schrijver (Netherlands Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier-Segger (Canadian Branch)

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Date	Sunday, 6 December 2020
Time	18:00-19:40 (JST) / 9:00-10:40 (GMT)
Committee	Nuclear Weapons, Non-Proliferation and Contemporary International Law
Session Chair	Prof Vasilka Sancin
Committee Chair	Prof Jonathan L Black-Branch (British Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Dieter Fleck (German Branch)

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Date	Monday, 7 December 2020
Time	18:00-20:00 (JST) / 9:00-11:00 (GMT)
Committee	Committee on Sustainable Development and the Green Economy in International Trade Law
Session Chair	Dr Chantal Ononaiwu, Trade Policy and Legal Specialist, Office of Trade Negotiations, CARICOM Secretariat (Caribbean Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Mary Footer (British Branch)
Rapporteurs	Prof Meredith Kolsky Lewis (New Zealand Branch)
Comment	The Committee is studying how the rules-based international trading system supports open, fair and development friendly trade that is socially inclusive and environmentally sustainable. Its interim report examines mutually supportive trade and environmental measures in the public and private law spheres as well as climate and energy measures in the form of trade and the green economy, such as carbon markets and border carbon adjustment measures. The report also covers trade and natural and energy resources in the matter of fisheries subsidies and forestry management, as well as energy subsidies in international trade law, and green procurement.

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Date	Monday, 7 December 2020
Time	20:00-22:00 (JST) / 11:00-13:00 (GMT)
Committee	Committee on Use of Force: Military Assistance on Request
Session Chair & Committee Chair	Prof Dr Vera Rusinova , National Research University 'Higher School of Economics' (Russian Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Claus Kress (German Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof James A Green (British Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof Tom Ruys (Belgian Branch)
Comment	This is an open working session of the Committee.

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Date	Monday, 7 December 2020
Time	23:00-25:00 (JST) / 14:00-16:00 (GMT)
Study Group	Study Group on the Content & Evolution of the Rules of Interpretation
Session Chair	Bruce Mauleverer QC, ILA Patron (British Branch)
Study Group Co-Chair	Prof Photini Pazartzis, University of Athens (Hellenic Branch)
Study Group Co-Chair	Prof Geir Ulfstein, University of Oslo (Norwegian Branch)
Co-Rapporteur	Dr Daniel Peat, Leiden University (Dutch Branch)
Co- Rapporteur	Prof Panos Merkouris, University of Groningen (Hellenic Branch)
Comment	This is an open session on the Final Report and Resolution of the Study Group.

COMMITTEE / STUDY GROUP / PANEL

Date	Tuesday, 8 December 2020
Time	01:00-03:00 (JST) / 16:00-18:00 (GMT:Monday, 7 Dec.)
Committee	Committee on Human Rights in Times of Emergency
Session Chair	Prof Leila Nadya Sadat, Washington University School of Law (American Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Christina Cerna (American Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Stefan Kadelbach (German Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Marie Joseph Ayissi (Swiss Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Ioana Cismas, York Law School & Centre for Applied Human Rights, University of York (Swiss Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Niels Petersen, Professor of Law, University of Münster (French Branch)
Comment	This is an open session on the Interim Report of the Committee which has been prepared utilising contributions from members of the Committee, subsequently organised and homologised by the co-Rapporteurs.

COMMITTEE / STUDY GROUP / PANEL

Date	Tuesday, 8 December 2020
Time	18:00-20:00 (JST) / 9:00-11:00 (GMT)
Title of the Panel	The 2017 Nuclear Weapons Prohibition Treaty: Its Practical Impact on Nuclear Security & Arms Control
Session Chair	Dr Dieter Fleck, Amsterdam Center for International Law (German Branch)
Panelists/Speakers	Prof Stuart Casey-Maslen, Institute for International and Comparative Law in Africa, University of Pretoria
	Mr Steven Hill, Former Legal Advisor and Director, Office of Legal Affairs, NATO
	Prof Bakhtiyar Tuzmukhamedov, Vice-President of the Russian Association of International Law
	Mr Jonathan Brosseau-Rioux (ILA Scholar)
	Ms Clea Strydom (ILA Scholar)
Comment	<p>The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW), adopted on 7 July 2017 with a vote of 122-1-1 while no nuclear-armed State has participated in the negotiations, is an expression of criticism of existing failures to implement disarmament obligations under the 1968 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT); the lack of universality of the NPT; and increasing concerns on the humanitarian consequences of the existence and the continuing threat of nuclear weapons that unfolded over the past years. The TPNW will soon enter into force, after the necessary quorum of 50 State Parties has been fulfilled on 24 October 2020. A discussion on its impact on the international legal order and security implications for a world of many new, and ever more complex, security risks is both necessary and timely. The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW), adopted on 7 July 2017 with a vote of 122-1-1 while no nuclear-armed State has participated in the negotiations, is an expression of criticism of existing failures to implement disarmament obligations under the 1968 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT); the lack of universality of the NPT; and increasing concerns on the humanitarian consequences of the existence and the continuing threat of nuclear weapons that unfolded over the past years. The TPNW will soon enter into force, after the necessary quorum of 50 State Parties has been fulfilled on 24 October 2020. A discussion on its impact on the international legal order and security implications for a world of many new, and ever more complex, security risks is both necessary and timely. The Panel will address</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • main issues of, and concerns with, the TPNW; • potentials for using the TPNW as a framework for further activities; and • remaining issues and tasks in view of the 2020 NPT Review Conference (which had to be postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemics and shall be held as soon as the circumstances permit, but no later than April 2021). <p>All panelists will express their personal opinion on a completely non-committal basis.</p>

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Date	Tuesday, 8 December 2020
Time	20:00-22:00 (JST) / 11:00-13:00 (GMT)
Committee	Committee on International Securities Regulation
Session Chair	Mr Bruce Mauleverer QC (British Branch)
Committee Chair	Prof Ida Levine, Director and Lead Expert on Policy/Regulation, Impact Investing Institute (British Branch)
Rapporteur	Mr Paul Stevens, Dechert (American Branch)
	Mr Michael Webb, Princes Chambers (New Zealand Branch)
	Prof Armin Kammel, VOEIG (Austrian Branch)
	Anna Gardella, EBA (Italian Branch)
	Professor Mads Andenas University of Oslo and Institute of Legal Studies, School of Advanced Study, University of London (British Branch)
	Professor Iain MacNeil (British Branch)
	Professor Etsuro Kurunoma, Waseda University (Japan Branch)
	Mr Gustavo Grebler, Grebler Advogados (Brazilian Branch)
	Dr Klaus Peter Follak , Independent International Counsel and Consultant (German Branch)
	Ning Zhu, Chance Bridge (Headquarters Branch)
	Mr Matsuo Motonobu Secretary-General, Securities and Exchange Surveillance Commission, Financial Services Agency, Japan
	Nicola Berry, Clarke Gittens and Farmer (Caribbean Branch)
Comment	<p>This session will cover the following areas amongst other emerging issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulatory Responses to COVID pandemic Sustainable Finance Asset management: ESG/Impact investment - global regulatory/market developments Non-financial reporting - what are the next steps? How are global standards being set? Is there a risk of misleading disclosures? egTech/SupTech/FinTech LIBOR transition

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Date	Tuesday, 8 December 2020
Time	23:00-25:00 (JST) / 14:00-16:00 (GMT)
Study Group	Study Group on International Tax Law
Session Chair	Rt Hon Lady Arden DBE, Justice of Supreme Court, United Kingdom
Study Group Chair	Advocate General Juliane Kokott, Court of Justice of the European Union (German Branch)
Study Group Chair	Prof Pasquale Pistone, IBCF/WU Vienna University/University of Salerno (Italian Branch)
Comment	The session on International Tax Law will outline the scientific goals of the study group and how it fits in the ILA context. The session will then focus on the first phase of research on taxpayers' rights. After a general part on public international law and taxation the session will address specific procedural rights, rights related to sanctions and substantive rights. The session will provide an overview of relevant issues and findings before setting out the path to the completion of phase 1 by summarising the global legal framework for the protection of taxpayers' rights. There will be open discussion on all items. We will conclude by setting the framework for phase 2 of our research on tax nexus – In search for international tax justice.

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Date	Wednesday, 9 December 2020
Time	01:00-03:00 (JST) / 16:00-18:00 (GMT:Tuesday, 8 Dec.)
Study Group	Study Group on Cross-Border Violations of the Rights of Children in Migration, Enforcement Mechanisms & Legal Remedies
Session Chair	Prof Aziz Tuffi Saliba, Dean International Affairs, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (UFMG) (Brazilian Branch)
Study Group Chair	Prof Warren Binford, Willamette University (American Branch)
Comment	This is an open working session of the Study Group on Cross Border Violations of the Rights of Children in Migration, Enforcement Mechanisms & Legal Remedies.

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Date	Wednesday, 9 December 2020
Time	18:00-20:00 (JST) / 9:00-11:00 (GMT)
Title of the Panel	International Law in the Digital World
Chair	Prof Anne Thida Norodom
Panelists/Speakers	Dr Talita deSouza Dias, University of Oxford: 'Due Diligence in International Law: From Corfu Channel to the New Frontiers of Cyberspace'
	Dr Antonio Coco, University of Essex: 'Old ways won't open new doors': Do we need New Concepts of State Sovereignty and Jurisdiction for Cyberspace?'
	Dr Yurika Ishii, National Defence Academy of Japan: 'Bridging International Communications or Justizkonflikt 2.0?: Cross-Border Criminal Investigation in the Digital Era and Transnational Criminal Law'
Comment	This session highlights the work of Young Scholars in the field of International Law.

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Date	Wednesday, 9 December 2020
Time	20:00-22:00 (JST) / 11:00-13:00 (GMT)
Title of the Panel	Justice & Responsibility for the Next Global Order
Chair	Prof Philippe Sands QC
Panelists/Speakers	Callista Harris, University of Sydney: 'The ICJ's Advisory Function and Contentious Disputes: Looking to the Future after the Chagos Advisory Opinion' Dr Brian McGarry, Leiden University: 'Inherent Judicial Powers and the Future of Institutional Law-Making' Kathryn Allinson, University of Bristol: 'Secondary Responsibility for causing Displacement: Breach of Positive Obligations or Complicity?' Prof Patrycja Grzebyk, University of Warsaw: 'The Acceptance of the Past as the Key for the Future Peace – Responsibility for Denial'
Comment	This session highlights the work of Young Scholars in the field of International Law.

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Date	Wednesday, 9 December 2020
Time	21:00-22:40 (JST) / 12:00-13:40 (GMT)
Committee	Intellectual Property & Private International Law
Session Chair	Mr Pravin Parekh
Committee Chair	Prof Toshiyuki Kono (Japan Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof Pedro A de Miguel Asensio (Spanish Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof Axel Metzger (German Branch)

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Date	Wednesday, 9 December 2020
Time	23:00-25:00 (JST) / 14:00-16:00 (GMT)
Title of the Panel	Environmental Protection Climate Change & the Green Economy
Chair	Prof. Makane Moïse Mbengue
Panelists/Speakers	Cara North & Lisa Loechel, Lipman Karas: 'Climate Change Litigation and its potential for shaping Domestic and International Climate Change Policies, Laws and Regulations'
	Prof Harro Van Asselt, University of Eastern Finland: 'The International Governance of Fossil Fuel Subsidies: Testing Ground for the Fragmentation and Deformalisation of International Law?'
	Federica Agostini, University of Glasgow: 'From "green bond principles" to "green bond covenants": the Role of Transnational Contract Law in the Sustainable Finance Agenda'

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Date	Thursday, 10 December 2020
Time	01:00-03:00 (JST) / 16:00-18:00 (GMT:Wednesday, 9 Dec.)
Title of the Panel	Global Health Law
Chair	Prof Frederick Abbott, Florida State University College of Law (American Branch)
Panelists/Speakers	Prof Gian Luca Burci, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (Headquarters Branch)
	Helene de Pooter, Bourgogne Franche-Comté University (French Branch)
	Prof Brigit Toebes, University of Groningen (Dutch Branch)
	Prof Leila Nadya Sadat, Washington University School of Law (American Branch)
	Ms Ellen 't Hoen, LLM PhD, Medicines Law & Policy (Dutch Branch)
	Mr Marco Argentini (ILA Scholar)
Comment	<p>The COVID-19 pandemic has exposed numerous shortcomings in international preparedness to cope with transborder outbreaks of viral infection. These gaps have placed intense pressure on individuals, on governments and on international institutions.</p> <p>This panel addresses the question whether the problems arising from the pandemic result from one or more failures of international law, including by the institutions that are responsible for implementing that law. What were (and are) those failures, and how might they be remedied?</p>

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Date	Thursday, 10 December 2020
Time	18:00-20:00 (JST) / 9:00-11:00 (GMT)
Committee	Committee on Participation in Global Cultural Heritage Governance
Session Chair	Prof Catherine Kessedjian, Prof. em. University Panthéon-Assas Paris II, Vice-Chair ILA Executive Board; President ILA French Branch
Committee Chair	Dr Andrzej Jakubowski (Polish Branch)
Rapporteur	Associate Prof Lucas Lixinski (Brazilian Branch)
Rapporteur	Mr Thomas Adlercreutz (Swedish Branch)
Rapporteur	Associate Prof Beatriz Barreiro Carril (Spanish Branch)
Rapporteur	Mr Piers Davies (New Zealand Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof James A. R. Nafziger (American Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Elvira Prado Alegre (Spanish Branch)
Rapporteur	Ms Kristin Hausler (British Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof Ana Filipa Vrdoljak (Australian Branch)
Comment	This session will focus on three main objectives: (1) present the work of the Committee during the first half of its mandate, which culminated in its Interim Report for the Kyoto Conference, which mapped the shortcomings and pitfalls of participation in a broad range of international and regional organizations, both within and beyond cultural heritage governance; (2) discuss the direction for the second half of the mandate, which will focus on governance mechanisms at the domestic level and how they can influence international solutions; and (3) discuss latest developments in the field of international cultural heritage law, particularly the repercussion of the ILA's successful past work in the area, as well as landmark anniversaries for major international treaties in this area.

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Date	Thursday, 10 December 2020
Time	23:00-25:00 (JST) / 14:00-16:00 (GMT)
Committee	Committee on Submarine Cables & Pipelines Under Int Law
Session Chair & Committee Chair	Captain J. Ashley Roach JAGC USN (retired) Office of the Legal Adviser, US State Department (retired), Senior Visiting Research Fellow, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore (American Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Tara Davenport, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore (Singapore Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Danae Azaria, Associate Professor in Public International Law, Faculty of Laws, University College London (British Branch)
Comment	This is an open working session and the Committee officers will summarise the Interim Report before inviting comments from the participants on the report. Particular emphasis will be placed upon the issues identified in the report that the Committee will be considering during the 2021-2022 biennium.

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Date	Friday, 11 December 2020
Time	18:00-20:00 (JST) / 9:00-11:00 (GMT)
Study Group	Study Group on Asian State Practice of Domestic Implementation of International Law
Session Chair	Prof Willem Van Genugten, Em. Professor of International Law, Tilburg University (Dutch Branch)
Study Group Chair	Prof Seokwoo Lee, Inha University Law School (Korean Branch)
Study Group Chair	Prof Kevin YL Tan, National University of Singapore (Singapore Branch)
Rapporteur	Prof Hee Eun Lee (American Branch)
Rapporteur	Dr Matthias Vanhullebusch (Headquarters)
Comments	<p>The present Study Group (SG) is motivated by the relative lack of scholarship on an important, yet underrepresented area of study in international legal studies. The introduction of Western international law into Asia; the resulting shift from Asian international law and the development of international law in the region; and the impact that all of this has had on Asian states have not been explored in depth. While there have been individual studies on the way in which Asian states deal with international law, the survey is patchy and does not sufficiently offer an overview of the Asian states' attitudes and philosophies about the domestic implementation of international law. This SG is to focus on the development of international law through the domestic implementation of international law in the countries in Asia. The outcome of this SG will add significantly to the literature and our understanding of the individual states' role in the application of international law, both nationally and regionally. For the purposes of this SG, Asia will include the countries in most of sub-regional level of Asia: Northeast Asia, Southeast Asia, South Asia and Central Asia. Given that the form and substance of international law as it is known today derives itself from Western states, it can be argued that Western philosophy and culture continues to influence the character of international law. Important questions that are raised are whether international law is able to appreciate the cultural difference between Western countries and Asian countries? In specific reference to Asia, what approach to international law do Asian States have when they implement it at their domestic level? Assuming that a distinct Asian approach to international law exists, what is its contribution, if any, to the development of international law in Asia and to the development of international law generally?</p>

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Date	Friday, 11 December 2020
Time	20:00-22:00 (JST) / 11:00-13:00 (GMT)
Committee	Committee on International Monetary Law (MOCOMILA)
Session Chair & Committee Chair	Sir William Blair Professor of Financial Law and Ethics, Centre for Commercial Law Studies (CCLS), Queen Mary University of London (British Branch)
Committee Vice-Chair	Mr Thomas Baxter, Jr. Counsel, Sullivan & Cromwell's Financial Services Group (American Branch)
Committee Vice-Chair	Prof Chiara Zilioli Director General of the Legal Services for the European Central Bank (ECB) (Italian Branch)
Comment	<p>The Committee on International Monetary Law (MOCOMILA) invites you to join us as we present an overview of some of the topics we have been discussing since the last ILA meeting in Sydney. We will begin our session with a presentation by Masaki Bessho, Associate Director-General Payment and Settlement Systems Department, Bank of Japan. There will follow a short discussion of Central Bank Digital Currencies, a key area in modern finance. The report will then be presented by our authors.</p> <p>Here is the list of speakers. We hope that you will join us!</p> <p>Guest speaker: Mr Masaki Bessho, Associate Director-General Payment and Settlement Systems Department, Bank of Japan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Thomas Baxter, Sullivan and Cromwell: 'The Legal Implications arising from the end of LIBOR' • Prof Chiara Zilioli: European Central Bank: 'The European Legal Issues arising from the end of EONIA and EURIBOR' • Dr Eva Hüpkes: Financial Stability Board: 'The Role of the Financial Stability Board in International Regulation in Changing Times' • Prof Benjamin Geva: Osgoode Hall Law School: 'Third-party Service Providers under the Second European Union Directive on Payment Services in the Internal Market' • Prof Christos Gortsos National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, International and EU Financial Law European Institute of the University of Saarland 'The Evolution of the Institutional and Regulatory Framework Governing European Banking Union • Prof Rosa Lastra: Centre for Commercial Law Studies (CCLS), Queen Mary University of London: 'Lex Cryptographica Financiera' • Dr Klaus Peter Follak Independent International Counsel and Consultant: 'European Union Perspective on the Regulation of Crypto Assets'

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Date	Friday, 11 December 2020
Time	22:00-25:00 (JST) / 13:00-16:00 (GMT)
Title of the Panel	Business and Human Rights: Challenges for Future Regulation
Chair	Catherine Kessedjian, Prof. em. University Panthéon-Assas Paris II, Vice-Chair ILA Executive Board; President ILA French Branch
Panelists/Speakers	<p>Sara Seck, Associate Professor and Associate Dean, Research, Schulich School of Law and Marine & Environmental Law Institute, Dalhousie University, Canada: ‘Human Rights Due Diligence and the Environment: Seeking the Transformative Potential of BHR for Biodiversity and Climate Justice’</p> <p>Humberto Cantú Rivera, Professor, School of Law and Social Sciences, and Executive Director of the Institute for Human Rights and Business, University of Monterrey (UDEM, Mexico): ‘Comments on Latin America and its Contribution to Business and Human Rights’</p> <p>Victoria R. Nalule, Research Fellow, Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law & Policy, University of Dundee: ‘A Nexus between Energy, Climate Change and Human Rights’</p> <p>Oyeniye Abe, PhD Research Associate, Centre for Comparative Law in Africa, Faculty of Law, University of Cape Town, South Africa: ‘Social inclusion in Global Energy Markets’</p> <p>Laura Jakobs, Intern – Court of Justice of the European Union: ‘Trade law and environmental obligations – Bridging to Fill the Gaps’</p> <p>Fernando Perez Lozada, Abogado (Mexico), International Arbitration Specialist: ‘Balancing Rights and Obligations of Investors – The environment as an example’</p> <p>Birgit Peters, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Trier, Germany: ‘Is the European Court of Human Rights the proper forum for environmental claims?’</p> <p>Harpreet Kaur, Business and Human Rights Specialist, UNDP: ‘Enhancing Effectiveness of Gender-Neutral Legal Procedures’</p> <p>Nicolás Carrillo Santarelli, Associate Researcher, Institute for Human Rights and Business, University of Monterrey, (UDEM, Mexico): ‘Comments on a Future UN Treaty on Business and Human Rights’</p>

Comment	<p>The goals of this session are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Using a Business and Human Right approach to change the “silo” mentality and adopt a holistic approach• Is due diligence a useful tool? How to incorporate due diligence to transform Business activities and their potential impact on stakeholders?• Balancing investors’ rights and obligations; Balancing Trade and Environment• Access to remedy – the way forward <p>There will be simultaneous translation of this session (French to English only) provided by the French Branch</p>
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Closing Plenary

Sunday, 13 December 2020

18:00-20:30 (JST) / 09:00-11:30 (GMT)

1. Adoption of Resolutions and Reports

Moderated by Lord Mance

Prof. Pierre Bodeau-Livinec: Introduction to the adoption process

- Mr. Steven Sengayen:
Procedure of International Courts and Tribunals
- Prof Manuel Almedia Riberio:
Global Health Law
- Mr. Steven Sengayen:
Implementation of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
- Prof. Maria Gavouneli:
Role of International Law in Sustainable Natural Resource
Management for Development
- Prof. Vasilka Sancin:
Nuclear Weapons, Non-Proliferation and Contemporary International
Law
- Mr. Pravin Parekh:
Intellectual Property and Private International Law
- Mr. Bruce Mauleverer QC
Content and Evolution of the Rules of Interpretation

2. Speeches by the 2020 Scholarship Award Winners

Moderated by Lord Mance

Mr. Bruce Mauleverer QC: Introduction of the ILA scholars

- Ms. Julia Emetsva
- Dr. Constantinos Yiallourides
- Ms. Aylin Yildiz

<Memorial Video>

3. Closing Ceremony

- 1) Message from His Excellency Mr. MOTEGI Toshimitsu, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan
Mr. OKANO Masataka, Legal Advisor and Director-General of International Legal Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan would read the message on his behalf

- 2) Remarks
The Rt Hon Lord Jonathan Mance, Chair of the International Law Association

- 3) Remarks
Judge Shunji Yanai, President of the International Law Association, President of the Japan Branch

- 4) Presentation on the Next Biennial Conference
Professor Manuel de Almeida Ribeiro, President of the Portugal Branch

- 5) Closing Address
Professor Masahiko Asada, Chair of the Organizing Committee of the International Law Association Conference Kyoto 2020