

NEWS AND EVENTS

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Building Transformation Project Update

The second and final phase of works has started on the lower floors of Charles Clore House.

Phase 2 will include new lighting on the book storage floor, the transformation of the toilets on the three lower floors and the upgrading of the Institute's Archive Storage facility.

The Institute is grateful to all who have donated towards the IALS Transformation Project. Sincere thanks go especially to the Clore Duffield Foundation for its incredibly generous gift of £500,000. The Foundation's association with IALS began in 1970 when Sir Charles Clore, one of Britain's most successful post-war businessmen and philanthropists, donated significant funds to the University of London towards the new building for IALS. Charles Clore House was officially opened in 1976 with both Sir Charles and his daughter Vivien Duffield attending the opening ceremony. After Sir Charles' death in 1979, Vivien Duffield assumed the Chairmanship of the Foundation and created her own Foundation in 1987 with the aim

of continuing her family's history of philanthropy. The two Foundations were merged in 2000 to become the Clore Duffield Foundation. The Clore Duffield Foundation has funded more than 65 museums, galleries, heritage and performing arts learning spaces across the UK since 2000.

ILPC Annual Lecture and Annual Conference: 'AI and the Rule of Law: Regulation and Ethics'

Lord Clement Jones CBE delivered a timely and fascinating International Law and Policy Centre (ILPC) Annual Lecture for 2020 entitled: 'AI: Time to Regulate?'

Lord Clement-Jones is a consultant of DLA Piper where former positions held include London managing partner (2011-2016), head of UK government affairs, chairman of its China and Middle East Desks, international business relations partner and co-chairman of Global Government Relations. He is chair of Ombudsman Services Limited, the not-for-profit, independent ombudsman service that provides dispute resolution for the communications, energy, property and copyright licensing

industries. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the Association of Insurance and Risk Managers in Industry and Commerce and board member of the Corporate Finance Faculty of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales where he also chairs its Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Corporate Advisory–Expert Consultative Group. He is a founder member of the OECD Parliamentary Group on AI and a member of the Council of Europe’s Ad-hoc Committee on AI. He is also a senior fellow of the Atlantic Council’s GeoTech Center which focuses on technology, altruism, geopolitics and competition.

The ILPC Annual Lecture 2020 launched the successful first online two-day [ILPC Annual Conference 2020](#) which had more than 300 registered attendees. Topics discussed and debated included:

- ◇ accountability and transparency in AI systems
- ◇ automated decision-making and privacy rights
- ◇ data ethics and innovation
- ◇ surveillance and data privacy
- ◇ online harms and the regulation of social media
- ◇ predictive policing
- ◇ data-driven responses to Covid-19

Other key speakers from academia, policymaking, and legal practice at the conference included:

- ◇ Ellis Parry (Information Commissioner’s Office)
- ◇ Professor Joanna Bryson (Hertie School, Berlin; University of Bath)
- ◇ Dr Julian Huppert (University of Cambridge; Home Office Biometrics and Forensics Ethics Group)
- ◇ Graham Smith (Of Counsel, Bird and Bird)
- ◇ Dr Michael Veale (lecturer in digital rights and regulation, UCL)
- ◇ Hamed Haddadi (Imperial College London; Brave Software)
- ◇ Professor Lorna Woods OBE (University of Essex)
- ◇ Carly Kind (director, Ada Lovelace Institute)

Lord Clement Jones’ lecture and selected academic papers from the ILPC Annual Conference’s interdisciplinary plenary sessions and panels, presented by academic experts across the UK, Europe, Africa, Asia and North America, will be featured in the peer-reviewed journal of [Communications Law](#) (published by Bloomsbury) forthcoming in 2021.

Live recordings from the two-day conference, including Lord Clement Jones’ lecture, are available to watch now on the [IALS website](#).

Legislative Drafting Course: Sir William Dale Centre

The dates for the 2021 IALS Legislative Drafting Course are 21 June-16 July 2021. For the first time since its inception in 1964 the course will be delivered online because of the Covid-19 restrictive measures. The fees for 2021 have also been reduced so this year is a great opportunity for all those who wish to attend but cannot normally do so because of the distance or cost. For details, see the [Brochure and Application Form](#).

Selected Upcoming IALS Events

The Director's Seminar Series: Law and Humanities in a Pandemic

Pandemic Planning, Models and Regimes of the Body

Wednesday 17 February 2021

13:30 GMT: online seminar (Zoom)

'Masking Then and Masking Now: Compliance and Resistance during the 1918-1919 Influenza Pandemic' by David Carter, University of Technology Sydney, and Mark De Vitis, University of Sydney.

'Models and Lawmaking: Knowledge, Trust and Authority in a Pandemic' by Ting Xu, University of Essex

(Re)Imagining the Human Condition through Covid-19

Tuesday 16 March 2021 18:30

GMT: online seminar (Zoom)

'Covid-19 and the Legal Regulation of Working Families' by Nicole Busby, University of Glasgow, and Grace James, University of Reading

'Playing with Wench Tactics: Thinking about Rhythm, Routine and Rest in Decelerating University Life after the Pandemic' by Ruth Fletcher, Queen Mary University of London

'Law, Every Day Spaces and Objects, and Being Human' by Jill Marshall, Royal Holloway, University of London

Gendering the Pandemic

Wednesday, 21 April 2021:

15:00 GMT: online seminar (Zoom)

'Women, Violence and Protest in Times of COVID-19' by Kim Barker, The Open University, and Olga Jurasz, The Open University

'Bahraini Family Laws During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Questioning the Re-emergence of Gendered and Sectarian Identities' by Fatema Hubail, Georgetown University in Qatar

'Law's Invisible Women: The Unintended Gendered Consequences of the COVID-19 Lockdown' by Lynsey Mitchell, University of Abertay, and Michelle Weldon-Johns, University of Abertay

The Margins and the (Epi)Centres: Place, Space and the Pandemic

Wednesday, 19 May 2021 1800

GMT: online seminar (Zoom)

‘Ethical Limits of Pandemic Governance: International Refugee and Human Rights Law Redefined?’ by Nergis Canefe, York University

Pandemic, Humanities and the Legal Imagination of the Disaster’ by Valerio Nitrato Izzo, University of Naples Federico II

‘The Pandemic and the Ship’ by Renisa Mawani, University of British Columbia, and Mikki Stelder, University of British Columbia & University of Amsterdam

W G Hart Legal Workshop 2021: New Perspectives on Jurisdiction and the Criminal Law

26 April 09:30 to 28 April 2021

16:00: online workshop (Zoom)

Academic Directors: Professor Lindsay Farmer (University of Glasgow), Professor Julia Hörnle (Queen Mary, University of London), Dr Micheál Ó Floinn (University of Glasgow), Professor David Ormerod QC (Law Commissioner and University College London)

Speakers include: Alejandro Chehtman (University Torcuato di Tella, Argentina), Mireille Hildebrandt (Vrije Universiteit

Brussels), Uta Kohl (University of Southampton), Katalin Ligeti (University of Luxembourg), Clare Montgomery QC (Matrix Chambers), Cedric Ryngaert (University of Utrecht), Ian Walden (Queen Mary, University of London)

In recent years there have been significant challenges to traditional concepts of jurisdiction in the criminal law. The increasing complexity of certain financial transactions and the advent of technologies like cryptocurrencies have raised questions about where conduct has taken place, and the authority of certain nationally based agencies to investigate and prosecute offences. In response, states have claimed jurisdiction over conduct on contested grounds of ‘extraterritorial’ jurisdiction and tenuous interpretations of the concept of territoriality. Jurisdictional concurrency over offences is increasingly commonplace, with negative and positive conflicts of jurisdiction each raising complex legal and policy issues which impact the efficacy of the criminal law.

The academic literature on jurisdiction has been slow to respond to these challenges. There is an extensive practical/practitioner literature, primarily focused on the development of solutions to issues as they come up in practice, while other jurisdictional debates are occurring in academic silos without

broader engagement with the overarching concepts. The concept of territorial jurisdiction remains central to both the investigation and prosecution of criminal offences today notwithstanding the new developments. The aim of the workshop is to bring together practitioners and academics to reflect on the challenges to concepts of jurisdiction and to stimulate new perspectives on jurisdiction and the criminal law.

How to get a PhD in Law—National Research Training Days

IALS offers a popular ‘How to get a PhD in Law’ programme of national research training days to assist MPhil and PhD students in law registered at universities across the UK. In 2021 The programme will be held online.

Day 1: Thursday 18 March 2021 10:00-16:30

The PhD journey: supervision, research ethics and preparing yourself for upgrade and vivas

Day 2: Friday 30 April 2021 10:00-16:30

The PhD in law and research methods

Day 3: Wednesday 26 May 2021 10:00-16:30

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Podcasts

Selected law lectures, seminars, workshops and conferences hosted by IALS in the School of Advanced Study are recorded and accessible for viewing and downloading from the [SAS IALS YouTube channel](#).