Editorial Welcome to the IALS Student Law Review

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Welcome to 2020's first issue of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies' Student Law Review (ISLRev), the University of London. This issue has some fascinating articles which deal with hotly debated topics and will be detailed in brief in a moment. However, this issue also represents a changing of the guard as a new Editorial Board has been elected. We would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves and also outline and explain the exciting plans we have for the future of the ISLRev.

Before we introduce ourselves, we would like to thank the outgoing Editor-in-Chief, Lovinia Otudor, for her work for the ISLRev. We wish you all the best for your future plans.

This year, ISLRev is fortunate to have one Editor-in-Chief, an Academic Editor, a Deputy Editor and an Associate Editor. We would like to take a moment to introduce each in turn:

The Editor-in-Chief is Tugce Yalcin. She is a lawyer working for a global law firm and is specialised in Corporate Law, cross-border M&A and financial transactions as well as Commercial Law, Investment Law and European Law. She is currently a PhD candidate at IALS researching about "Warranty and Disclosure of Information in M&A Transactions in the Light of the Theory of Contract Law – Comparison of the Common Law and the Civil Law".

Our Deputy Editor for this year is Emmanuel Saffa Abdulai. Emmanuel is a lecturer in media law, academic legal writing, and Rule of Law, Justice and Peace Building at the Fourah Bay College, University of Sierra Leone. He is Editor-in-Chief of the Journal on Human Rights Law in Sierra Leone. Emmanuel is currently a second year PhD candidate at IALS specialising in constitutional and administrative law.

Our Associate Editor for this year is George M. Daoud. George has a background in the Law Enforcement, Financial, and is currently in the Legal industry as a practitioner in Canada. He is currently a PhD candidate at IALS, focusing on International Financial Law with an emphasis on Emerging Technologies and its effect on the sophistication of Money/Cyber laundering practices.

We are fortunate to be joined by Professor Anton Cooray from City, the University of London. He acts in the role of **Academic Editor** of the ISLRev.

As we have said, there are big plans ahead for the ISLRev this year. We plan to open up the journal and improve access to all postgraduate students in the UK and, possibly, abroad. This, we are hoping, will attract fascinating articles from the widest possible spectrum of legal expertise.

The opening up of the Journal will be accompanied by an increased number of engagement events. We aim to provide these events several times within an academic year and will bring together academics, practitioners and students to share their perspectives as well as advice on publishing while also giving attendees a chance to network. Please do keep an eye out for more information.

Finally, for each issue of the ISLRev going forward, the Editor-in-Chief will alternate writing an editorial opinion piece at the beginning of each issue. These will give a broad overview of relevant legal topics alongside the articles included in the respective issue.

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Without further ado, we are delighted to introduce the following articles of this ISLRev-edition:

Febechi Chukwu investigates whether under the English law a breach of indemnity gives a party a right to bring a claim for debt or a claim for damages. He discusses various judgments that recognised breaches of indemnities as giving rise to debt claims as well as the ones that pursued the damages claim approach, as well as gives a potential solution at the end

Mohammad El-Gendi discusses whether the UK needs to create a clear case for why the UK should be the preferred place of business in terms of Brexit. Given the fact that unclear, arbitrary and unprincipled laws and rulings may cause businesses to move to the EU post-Brexit, he shows the necessity of reassessing certain key case and areas of law to address their suitability for the new economic climate.

Naseem Khan discusses the UK Government's proposals to adopt a codified constitution in England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland after the Brexit Referendum of 2016. The author shows also the reasons behind the lack of support for a codified constitution, weighing up arguments for and against.

Lara Krayem examines about the question as to why the EU refrained from using the Temporary Protection Directive that serves the purpose of establishing minimum standards for giving temporary protection and promoting a balance of efforts between Members States when receiving displaced persons. She discusses the reasons behind the non-implementation of the Temporary Protection Directive and whether the mass influx of asylum seekers during the Arab-Spring uprisings was a missed opportunity to activate the Directive.

Martin Kwan looks at the law of foreign state immunity from a comparative perspective and uses the facts of *Huawei-US* controversy as a test case to illustrate the differences in the laws of various jurisdictions. He examines whether Huawei can sue the US Government and if yes whether it is possible to sue the US government in Canada, England and Wales, Australia, China and the US.

As ever, we are hugely thankful to our authors for their submissions. We would encourage any postgraduate, practitioner and academic who would like to submit an article to get in touch with us. Our details can be found here:

https://ials.sas.ac.uk/digital/ials-open-access-journals/ials-student-law-review/ials-student-law-review-editorial-board

We look forward to hearing from prospective contributors. Until then, please enjoy the latest issue of the ISLRev.

Tugce and the ISLRev Editorial Board.