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Letter from the Centre Director

Dear Reader

Welcome to the Spring 2025 newsletter.

I begin with some sad news. Lady Lauterpacht – Cathy to many – sadly passed away in December. She made innumerable contributions to the Centre and her warmth, presence, and good humour will be sorely missed. We are currently thinking through how best to mark her many contributions and I will pass along more details in due course.

Last term was a busy one for the Centre. A number of events were standing room only, with online attendees numbering in their hundreds. There is no rest in sight, with Lent Term looking to be equally busy. I would draw your attention, in particular, to the Hersch Lauterpacht Memorial Lecture, which will take place on 13 and 14 March.

Additional talks are in the process of being added, so please do check the Centre’s website from time to time.

I wish you all the best for 2025.

With best wishes

Sandesh Sivakumaran

Professor Sandesh Sivakumaran
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Front cover: The Conference on International Dispute Settlement: Adjudicating International Crises opened with remarks by the convenor, Prof Jorge E. Viñuales who introduced the first keynote speaker, Professor Campbell McLachlan KC (see page 14).

The Lauterpacht Centre mourns the death of Lady Catherine Lauterpacht

The Lauterpacht Centre for International Law mourns the death of Lady Catherine Lauterpacht (née Daly). She died peacefully in Addenbrookes hospital, Cambridge in the morning of 11 December 2024.

Beloved wife of Sir Elihu, Lady Lauterpacht, to many in the Centre known as Cathy, has helped build the Centre ever since Sir Eli founded it in 1983.

After Sir Eli's death in 2017, Cathy continued to support the Centre and attend its events. She took great interest in the work and well-being of the Centre's fellows, including their families. With her strong passion for art – she herself was a talented painter – and literature, she ensured that conversations at LCIL dinners would be about more than international law.

She opened her home to many international lawyers. After Sir Eli died, they continued to visit to enjoy Cathy's hospitality, including a cup of tea in her famous Aga-heated kitchen or stunning garden. She had a special eye for nature's beauty: she could fondly recount how her roses, tomatoes or grapes were growing and which birds were inhabiting the garden that season.

Lady Lauterpacht is survived by Deborah, Gabriel and Michael, the children of Sir Eli's marriage with Judith Hettinger, who passed away in 1970, and by Conan, Sir Eli's and Cathy's son, and eight grandchildren. She adored them.



Professor Eliav Lieblich receives the Max Planck – Cambridge Prize for International Law (MaxCamPIL) 2025

The Lauterpacht Centre for International Law and the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, are pleased to announce that the Max Planck – Cambridge Prize for International Law (MaxCamPIL) has been awarded to Eliav Lieblich, Professor at Tel-Aviv University.

The Prize was established in 2019 by the Max Planck Institute and the Lauterpacht Centre with the generous donation of the Max Planck Society's Supporting Members. It is awarded biennially to a mid-career scholar who has made an outstanding contribution to the study of international law and promises to continue to engage in substantial, innovative, and cutting-edge research. The Prize seeks to highlight existing research and to support the prize winner's future work.



The selection committee for this prestigious prize is composed of one Director and three postdoctoral researchers from each institution. The committee unanimously agreed that Professor Eliav Lieblich is an outstanding, innovative, and highly original scholar. His work never ceases to engage, surprise, and amaze. Professor Lieblich has become a leading authority in the *ius in bello* and *ius contra bellum*, fields that have assumed a new centrality in international law. Moreover, he has provided major, impactful, and thought-provoking contributions to the history, theory, and methodology of international law. As such, he provides an outstanding example to younger scholars.

Eliav Lieblich joined Tel-Aviv University's Faculty of Law in 2016. He earned his JSD and LLM degrees from Columbia Law School, where he was a recipient of the Norman E Alexander Fellowship, and an LLB from Hebrew University, where he also earned a degree in Islamic and Middle Eastern studies.

Professor Lieblich teaches and researches public international law, with a focus on the laws on the use of force, just war theory, international humanitarian law, and the history and theory of international law. He is currently the inaugural Hans Kelsen Visiting Professor for the History and Theory of International Law at the University of Cologne and has held visiting professorships at Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, Columbia Law School, and

University of Toronto Faculty of Law. He has also taught at the European University Institute's Academy of European Law.

Professor Lieblich has received the Alon Scholarship for outstanding junior faculty, three Israel Science Foundation (ISF) research grants and the Cegla Prize for Young Faculty.

Prior to his graduate studies, Professor Lieblich served as a law clerk to Acting Justice D Cheshin of the Israeli Supreme Court. In recent years, he has participated as an expert in various international forums.

The award ceremony for the prize takes place alternately in Heidelberg and Cambridge respectively. This year, the ceremony will take place at the Lauterpacht Centre in Cambridge.



Lent Term 2025 - Friday Lunchtime Lectures

Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge



1pm, Friday 24 January

'Potential Legal Limitations on a Russia-Ukraine Peace Agreement?'

Prof Gregory Fox
Wayne State University



1 pm, Friday 21 February

'Property Rights at Sea'

Prof Richard Barnes
University of Lincoln



1 pm, Friday 31 January

'The Law of State Succession: Principles and Practice'

Dr Arman Sarvarian
University of Surrey



1 pm, Friday 28 February

'Explaining Sudan's Catastrophe: From Popular Revolution to Coup, War and Famine'

Prof Sharath Srinivasan
University of Cambridge



1 pm, Friday 7 February

'Governing Sovereign Debt Crises: The Case for International Sovereign Insolvency Law'

Dr Karina Patrício Ferreira Lima
University of Leeds School of Law



1 pm, Friday 7 March

'State Immunity: Theory and Practice'

Hussein Haeri KC
Withers LLP

Hersch Lauterpacht Memorial Lectures

3.15 pm - 6.15 pm - Thursday 13 March

9.30 am - 12.45 pm - Friday 14 March

Diversity and Self-Determination in International Law: Continuing conversations with Karen Knop



1 pm, Friday 14 February

'I'm not the Villain I appear to be: Freedom of religion or belief in human rights law'

Prof Nazila Ghanea
University of Oxford

Lectures are held in the Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall at the Lauterpacht Centre, 5 Cranmer Road, Cambridge, CB3 9BL or you may register to attend online at: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/all>

Sandwich Lunch for attendees from 12.30 pm in the Old Library

Hersch Lauterpacht Memorial Lecture 2025

Three-part lecture series

Diversity and Self-Determination in International Law: Continuing conversations with Karen Knop

We will come together to celebrate the life and scholarship of our colleague and friend, Professor Karen Knop (1960-2022). Karen, until her untimely passing, was the Cecil A Wright Chair at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Law. A long-time friend of the Lauterpacht Centre, Karen was to have delivered the Centre's 2025 Hersch Lauterpacht Memorial Lectures.

The 2025 Lectures will take place on 13 and 14 March, over four special sessions, conversing with Karen's extraordinary body of work across the history and theory of international law, gender and feminism studies, and private and foreign relations law. Four former HLM Lecturers will deliver these lectures in conversation with three discussants, all outstanding scholars mentored by Karen.

Thursday 13 March 13 - 3:15pm - 6:15pm

Session I History and Theory

'Narrating International Society: Management of Pluralism according to Marcel Gauchet & Karen Knop'

Prof Martti Koskenniemi (Helsinki) in conversation with Dr Megan Donaldson (UCL)



Session II Gender and Feminism

'Self-determination for women through three encounters'

Prof Christine Chinkin (LSE) in conversation with Dr Mai Taha (LSE)



Friday 14 March 13 - 9:30am - 12:45pm

Session III Private and Foreign Relations

'Populism, Foreign Relations Law, and global order and justice'

Prof Anne Peters (MPI Heidelberg) in conversation with Dr Roxana Banu (Oxford)



Session IV Discussion and Q&A led by Prof Susan Marks (LSE)

(Followed by lunch in the Old Library)

Registration: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/03/hersch-lauterpacht-memorial-lectures-2025-diversity-and-self-determination-international-law>



The Hersch Lauterpacht Memorial Lecture is an annual three-part lecture series given in Cambridge to commemorate the unique contribution to the development of international law of Sir Hersch Lauterpacht. These lectures are given annually by a person of eminence in the field of international law.

Lunchtime Lecture:

'Astro-environmentalism: the polycentric governance of space debris'

Prof Jean-Frédéric Morin, Laval University



Thursday, 16 January 2025 - 1.00 pm - 2.00 pm

Location: Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall

Lecture summary: The pollution of Earth's orbits by artificial debris is an environmental issue as pressing as it is overlooked. Given that geopolitical factors hinder the adoption of a multilateral solution, several experts advocate for a polycentric governance system, inspired by Elinor Ostrom's work on common goods. This presentation assesses the feasibility of such a proposal by analyzing 1,831 arrangements - including treaties, MoUs, guidelines, etc.—that govern outer space. It offers conclusions relevant to the governance of other global commons, such as the climate and the oceans.

Jean-Frédéric Morin is a Full Professor of Global Governance at Université Laval in Québec City.

Chaired by: Prof Harro van Asselt

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/01/lunchtime-lecture-astro-environmentalism-polycentric-governance-space-debris-prof-jean-frederic>

Panel: '(Non-)Defining 'Gender' in the Crimes Against Humanity Draft: Possibilities, Alliances, and Strategies'

Monday 3 February 2025 - 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

Location: Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall

Speakers:
Professor Valerie Oosterveld
Dr Rosemary Grey
Alexandra Lily Kather
Akila Radhakrishnan

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Emergent Justice Collective
Atlantic Council



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Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/02/panel-queering-gender-crimes-against-humanity-draft-possibilities-alliances-and-strategies>

Evening Lecture: 'Textbooks: markers and makers of international law'

Dr Luíza Leão Soares Pereira, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul

Thursday 23 February 2025 - 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm (followed by a drinks reception)

Location: Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall

Lecture summary: You never forget your first... international law textbook. Most of us have an emotional, even if not loving, relationship to those tomes that initiated us into the discipline (Koskeniemi M, 'Book Review Brownlie's Principles of Public International Law' (2014) 83 BYIL 137, 137). Yet textbooks receive limited attention as scholarship. Cast as training tools that do not encapsulate original insights by virtue of their genre, we tend to miss how their comprehensiveness paints a broad and nuanced picture of international law and its place in world making. I propose in this lecture that we analyse textbooks as artefacts that help us better understand our discipline and profession...



Dr Luíza Leão Soares Pereira is a Brazilian international lawyer, trained at Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (Porto Alegre, Brazil) and the University of Cambridge.

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/01/evening-event-textbooks-markers-and-makers-international-law-dr-luiza-leao-soares-pereira>

1973 Professor Inaugural Lecture: 'On the Interface between Public and Private International Law'

Prof Campbell McLachlan, Professor of Law 1973

Thursday, 6 February 2025 - 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm

Location: Faculty of Law, Cambridge



Abstract: Our understanding of the operation of law beyond the nation State has been deeply shaped by two great disciplines: public and private international law. Yet surprisingly little systematic attention has been devoted to the relationship between the two. In his inaugural lecture as Professor of International Dispute Resolution in the University of Cambridge, McLachlan argues that the neglect of this interface is highly consequential for our understanding of law's capacity to control the State and the corporation, which are, respectively, the principal holders of public/political and private/economic power in the world.

Campbell McLachlan is elected as Professor of Law (1973) in the University of Cambridge and is a Fellow of Trinity Hall and the Lauterpacht Centre.

A recording of this lecture is available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f2QbxbvB6y2w>

Evening Lecture: 'The ICJ – Its Role and Limits in the Settlement of Disputes'

Prof Alain Pellet, University Paris-Nanterre

Monday 10 February 2025 - 5.00 pm - 6.15 pm

Location: Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall



At no time since the Second World War has the integrity of international law been so threatened, and at no time has there been so much recourse to it. The growing recourse to the ICJ, both in contentious and advisory matters, reflects this phenomenon. The Court, imperturbably - and sometimes courageously - states the law without having the means to ensure respect for it, even if its influence must be neither exaggerated nor neglected.

Alain Pellet is Professor Emeritus at the University Paris-Nanterre (Centre de Droit International (CEDIN)). Commentator: Sir Michael Wood KCMG KC, Honorary Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre.

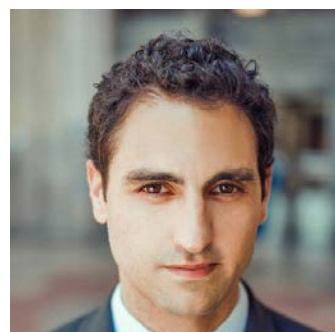
Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/02/evening-lecture-icj-its-role-and-limits-settlement-disputes-prof-alain-pellet-university-paris>

Evening Lecture: 'Security Council Decisions as a Source of Law'

Eran Sthoeger, Brooklyn Law School and Columbia University

Tuesday 11 February 2025 - 11.30 am

Location: Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall



Decisions of the UN Security Council are among the most frequently cited 'non-traditional' sources of international law — a term that may be taken to refer to sources not expressly mentioned in Article 38(1) of the ICJ Statute. The Council is said to be engaged in 'law making' for all States, and its enforcement action has normative effects that go beyond the specific issue it is dealing with. These normative rules are formulated in a body with limited participation and a particular status for its permanent members. The obligations contained therein are said to be an example of rules of international law that do not fit squarely within the 'traditional' sources listed in Article 38(1), but fall somewhere 'in between'. Furthermore, Security Council decisions are 'obligations under the Charter', which under Article 103 prevail over other international obligations of UN Member States, and are thus higher in the hierarchy of sources of law.

Thus, it is important for States and other subjects of international law to understand the nature of the Security Council and its decisions. How do we interpret the resolutions of the Security Council? How do we know when the Council has imposed binding obligations and on whom? Beyond clearly binding obligations, what is the legal significance of Security Council action or inaction, or views expressed by Security Council members?

Eran Sthoeger is a Litigator and Consultant in public international law, an Adjunct Professor of Law at Brooklyn Law School and Lecturer at Columbia University School of Professional Studies.

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/02/lcil-talk-security-council-decisions-source-law-eran-sthoeger-brooklyn-law-school-and-columbia>

Evening Lecture: 'Geopolitical Challenges, International Law and the Role of Armed Forces'

Ian Park is a Commodore in the UK Royal Navy, a barrister and Head of Navy Legal

Tuesday 25 February 2025 - 6.15 pm - 7.15 pm

Location: Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall



The world is facing profound geopolitical challenges. Across the globe wars rage, societies fracture and tensions rise. In our interconnected world few remain unaffected by the consequences of conflict. In this talk, Ian Park considers contemporary geopolitical challenges and areas of future tension and critically assesses key weaknesses of states and how armed forces and international law might address these weaknesses.

Ian has served in seven ships and deployed worldwide in support of the Royal Navy's contribution to defence. He has also deployed as a legal adviser on operations to Afghanistan and, on many occasions, to the Middle East. Ian is a graduate of St. John's College, Cambridge, has a doctorate in international law from Balliol College, Oxford and has lectured at Harvard Law School, Cambridge University, Oxford University, The Academy of Military Sciences, Beijing, Hanoi University, USSH Hanoi, and Freiburg University amongst other institutions. Ian has written or contributed to five books including the monograph 'The Right to Life in Armed Conflict' (OUP 2018) and presently teaches part-time at Yale Law School.

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/02/evening-event-geopolitical-challenges-international-law-and-role-armed-forces-ian-park-uk-royal-navy>

The Goodhart Lecture: 'Third World Approaches to International Law'

Prof Antony Anghie, National University of Singapore and the University of Utah

Friday 7 March 2025 - 5.30 pm

Location: Faculty of Law



Tony Anghie teaches international law at the National University of Singapore, and the University of Utah.

His research interests include the history and theory of international law, human rights, international economic law, and the law relating to the use of force. He is a member of the Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAIL) network of scholars. He is a co-editor in chief of the Asian Journal of International Law. He served as the Secretary General of the Asian Society of International Law from 2017-2023.

A drinks reception will be held in the Atrium from 6:30pm.

Attendance is free, but booking is required for space and catering:

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/03/goodhart-professor-lecture-third-world-approaches-international-law>

Evening Lecture: 'The Rule of Law under Challenge: The Enmeshment of National and International Trends'

Prof Gregory Shaffer, Georgetown Law



Wednesday 19 March 2025 - 5 pm - 6 pm

Location: Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall

The goal of the rule of law is to protect individuals from the arbitrary exercise of power. Democracy and human rights depend on the rule of law. But today the rule of law is under growing threat in the United States and around the world. Trends regarding rule-of-law protections are transnational in scope. They involve shifting norms, institutions, and practices at the local, national, and international levels. This talk will assess how challenges are taking place at the international and national levels, and how these challenges are linked. It examines the ways in which international law and institutions are important for rule-of-law ends, as well as their pathologies, since power also is exercised beyond the state in an interconnected world. The rule of law is the result of persistent, hard fought struggles over time. Sustaining the rule of law is a never-ending struggle, one that current challenges make particularly daunting.

Gregory Shaffer is Scott K. Ginsburg Professor of International Law at Georgetown University Law Center and is the immediate past President of the American Society of International Law.

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2025/03/evening-event-rule-law-under-challenge-enmeshment-national-and-international-trends-gregory-shaffer>

CUArb/LCIL Lecture series

Cambridge University Arbitration Society (CUArb) was established in 2019 as a Registered Society at the University of Cambridge. It aims at promoting the study of international arbitration among students, academics, alumni, and law practitioners in the field. This lecture is part of the CUArb/LCIL Lecture series.

5 pm, Wednesday 12 February 2025

'Costs of Arbitration and Third-Party Funding' – Sachin Trikha, Clifford Chance

5 pm, Wednesday 26 February 2025

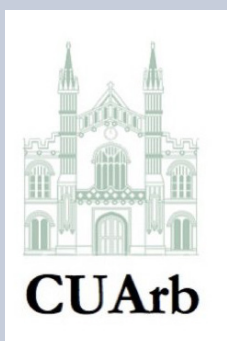
Speaker - Salim Moollan KC, Brick Court

5 pm, Wednesday 12 March 2025

'Investor-State Dispute Settlement' - Audley Sheppard KC

Location: Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Berkowitz/Finley Lecture Hall

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/events-lectures/cuarblcil-lecture-series>



The Eli Lauterpacht Lecture 2024:

'The Right to Self Determination: Chagos, the Caribbean and the Occupied Palestinian Territory (OPT)'



The Eli Lauterpacht Lecture was established after Sir Eli's death in 2017 to celebrate his life and work. This lecture takes place on a Friday at the Centre at the start of the Michaelmas Term in any academic year. On Friday 18 October 2024 the lecture was given by Judge Patrick Robinson.

To a packed lecture hall, and considerable number of online attendees, Judge Robinson's lecture was given in three parts:

Part 1 of the lecture focussed on the development of the right to self-determination as a rule of customary international law and its application to the Chagos Archipelago, Africa and the Commonwealth Caribbean. The adoption of Resolution 1514 by the General Assembly of the United Nations on December 14, 1960 was a decisive element in the development of the customary character of the right to self-determination. After that transformational development it was colonial peoples, not colonial powers, who determined their independence and its form e.g. whether based on a republican system or a UK parliamentary system. Thus, after that time the colonial powers were under an obligation to respect the right of colonial peoples to 'freely determine their political status', and any breach of that obligation would entail their international responsibility.

Part 11 addressed the status of the right to self-determination as a norm of jus cogens, and concluded that on the basis of the relevant evidentiary material, the right to self-determination is a peremptory norm of general international law.

Part 111 focussed on the right to self-determination in relation to the Occupied Palestinian Territory. Disappointment is expressed at the lack of clarity in the ICJ's treatment in its recent Advisory Opinion of the jus cogens character of the right to self-determination in cases of foreign occupation.

Judge Patrick Robinson graduated from the University College of the West Indies -London with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, Latin and Economics in 1964.

In 1968, he was called to the Bar at Middle Temple, in which year he also completed the LLB degree from London University. In 1972, he completed the LLM degree in International Law at Kings College, London University.

Judge Robinson was Jamaica's representative to the Sixth (Legal) Committee of the UN General Assembly from 1972 to 1998, and led treaty-making negotiations on behalf of Jamaica in several areas, including extradition, mutual legal assistance and investment promotion and protection.

From 1988 to 1995, he served as a member of the Inter American Commission on Human Rights, including as the President in 1991. From 1991 to 1996, he was a member of the International Law Commission; and from 1995 to 1996, a member of the Haiti Truth and Justice Commission.

In 1998 he was elected a Judge of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and served as the Tribunal's President from 2008 to 2011; he presided over the trial of Slobodan Milosevic.

In 2020 he was appointed Honorary President of the American Society of International Law (ASIL); in that capacity, in collaboration with ASIL and the University of the West Indies, he organized two International Symposia which led to the launch on 8 June 2023 of the historic Report on Reparations for Transatlantic Chattel Slavery (TCS) in the Americas and the Caribbean, which quantified for the first time the reparations due from the practice of TCS in the Caribbean, Central America, South America and North America.

Judge Robinson was elected a Judge of the International Court of Justice in 2014 and demitted office on 5 February 2024.

A recording of this lecture is available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4m9AezDnQk4>

Conference on International Dispute Settlement: Adjudicating International Crises

A Summary by Renatus Otto Franz Derler, PhD Candidate, University of Cambridge

On 25 October, the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law hosted the second Conference on International Dispute Settlement: Adjudicating International Crises. The conference addressed the growing trend of adjudicating international crises, particularly in light of the recent politicisation of issues such as climate change and allegations of international crimes in Ukraine, Gaza, Darfur, Syria, and Myanmar, among others. The event highlighted a notable shift from traditional bilateral disputes—such as those involving territorial or maritime delimitations or issues of immunity—towards the adjudication of broader, more complex international crises.

The conference opened with remarks by the convenor, Professor Jorge E. Viñuales (University of Cambridge), who introduced the first keynote speaker, Professor Campbell McLachlan KC (University of Cambridge). Professor McLachlan argued that litigation is integral to the contribution of international law to the peaceful settlement of crises. It provides a petri dish in which the competing claims of States can be tested according to law, and in turn shines a refracting mirror on the crisis itself. He highlighted three key sites of development in which the International Court of Justice (ICJ) has innovated in its response to crisis litigation: the increased use of provisional measures; the development of its *erga omnes* jurisdiction; and the revival of broadly-framed advisory opinion proceedings. Professor McLachlan concluded by asserting that litigation might also provide waymarks for the future: in providing authoritative determinations of legality that could contribute to the settlement of broader crises and in building coherence in the system as a whole.

The programme continued with three panels, beginning with a session chaired by Professor Viñuales on the context of adjudicating international crises. The first speaker, Sir Michael Wood (Twenty Essex), argued that negotiations are often preferable to litigation, which he described as a more bilaterally accommodating approach, and criticised the ease with which provisional measures can now be obtained, especially regarding the plausibility standard. Dr Tatyana Eatwell (Doughty Street Chambers) similarly advocated for diplomatic negotiation as an alternative remedy in human rights law cases where public international law is limited. Professor Michael Waibel (University of Vienna) discussed

the distinctive qualitative nature of climate change litigation compared to traditional international law disputes. Professor Margaretha Wewerinke-Singh (University of Amsterdam) concluded the first panel by observing that climate change law often emerges locally, with limited interaction between domestic courts transnationally.

The second panel, chaired by Professor Marc Weller (University of Cambridge), explored the resurgence of classical international law principles in responding to crises. Professor Kimberley Trapp (UCL) opened with an analysis of the West's innovative use of the “unwilling and unable” doctrine to justify the use of force. Dr Jamie Trinidad KC (University of Cambridge) followed by examining territorial integrity issues, comparing the Chagos Islands for Mauritius and Mayotte for the Comoros. Professor Pietro Pustorino (LUISS) then provided insights into the role of United Nations Security Council resolutions in crisis situations. Finally, Sean Aughey (Essex Court Chambers) concluded the panel with reflections on international adjudication in the South China Sea and prospective dispute resolutions in the Arctic, Antarctic, and Outer Space.

The third panel, chaired by Dr Federica Paddeu (University of Cambridge), focused on international crimes in crisis contexts. Émilie Pottle (Temple Garden Chambers) presented an overview of prosecuting international crimes in the United Kingdom under universal jurisdiction provisions. Professor Yvonne McDermott Rees (University of Swansea) then discussed the workload of the International Criminal Court (ICC) and its potential impacts on international criminal law. Dr. Hannah Woolaver (University of Cape Town) concluded the panel with an examination of ICC arrest warrants

and head-of-state immunity, using South Africa as a case study to explore whether it would have been obligated to comply with the ICC's arrest warrant against President Vladimir Putin.

The conference concluded with remarks from Professor Sandesh Sivakumaran (Director of the Lauterpacht Centre) who introduced the second

keynote speaker, Professor Philippe Sands KC (UCL). Professor Sands argued that crises are inherent to international law, which undergoes fundamental transformations only after major upheavals, such as the World Wars, while still building on pre-existing structures. He concluded by discussing the advantages and limitations of using advisory opinions to address international crises.



A Discussion on International Law and Palestine: Responsibility, Reparations & Reconciliation

The Lauterpacht Centre, in collaboration with the Cambridge Centre for Palestine Studies, organised a discussion on 'International Law and Palestine: Responsibility, Reparations & Reconciliation' on 6 December 2024.

The half-day event consisted of two panels, each chaired by a LCIL Fellow, Professor Henning Grosse Ruse-Khan and Dr Tor Krever. It enabled an in-depth, inter-disciplinary academic discussion and analysis on legal questions pertaining to Palestine under International Law - a very current, multifaceted and at times debated topic. Both panels presented a wide range of perspectives on the broader themes of legal responsibility, reparations and possibilities and avenues for reconciliation. Both were organised along the idea of presentations by non-lawyers (eg mathematicians, political scientists, economists or public health experts), followed by comments by legal academics and practitioners, and allowing input and discussion from the audience.



The first Panel on questions of legal responsibility focused on difficult questions pertaining to liability and accountability of private parties (especially multinational corporations in the big tech sector) and other actors involved in breaches of international law. Presentations for example covered the role of digital network technologies and mathematics in scaling and amplifying impact as well as potential harm, and the difficulties in attributing this to specific actors. Questions of corporate (social and legal) responsibility with regard to human rights abuses and the role of media, as well as social media, were also analysed.



The second Panel concerned questions related to reparations and reconciliation, covering again a broad range of topics and perspectives. From the economic situation in the Westbank to the destruction of health and educational facilities in Gaza, expert input enabled discussion and analysis of key legal questions, challenging the role of international law in the current conflict more generally. Further presentations provided insightful perspectives on, for example, the ongoing Northern Ireland Peace Process as well as the importance of facilitating processes of collective memorisation and healing.

The event attracted a significant audience from students as well as academics from Cambridge and elsewhere which contributed in important ways to the discussion and analysis.



Workshop on book proposals for PhD students

On Wednesday 22 November 2024 a workshop on book proposals for international law PhD students was held in the Old Library. The workshop was organized by Prof Sandesh Sivakumaran, Director of the Centre, and Dr Orfeas Chasapis Tassinis, Fellow of the Centre.

The session was structured around three stages of obtaining a book contract: approaching a publisher, writing a book proposal, and responding to reviewers' comments. Sandy and Orfeas went into a detailed, step-by-step discussion of each of those stages, sharing their experiences with publishers.



As part of the workshop, Sandy and Orfeas shared excerpts from their own past book proposals. Sharing parts of their own proposals, Orfeas and Sandy showcased how they approached in practice key topics such as describing their book's intended audience or its place within the existing literature to a non-expert editor. They also shared peer reviewers' comments to their proposals and openly discussed how they approached responding to such comments. Throughout the workshop, PhD students posed numerous questions leading to a productive and engaging session for those involved.

An International Workshop: Varieties of Climate Agency with a special focus on Climate Litigation

A two-day international workshop took place at the Centre on 4 and 5 November 2024. This workshop was organised as part of the research project funded by the DAAD Cambridge Hub, a partnership between the University of Hamburg and the University of Cambridge.

Against the background of existing scholarship on climate law and governance which has been attracting an international interdisciplinary research community (Climate Law and Governance Day at COP28), this workshop focussed on the global opportunity structure for climate change (Aykut, Wiener et al. 2021; Wiener et al. 2023) in order to identify under which conditions climate agents are enabled or constrained to act: what are regulatory and customary conditions of agency in a global context?

The workshop built on Prof Wiener's current research on climate litigation and social drivers of climate change which has been conducted at the Hamburg Excellence Cluster CLICCS (Wiener 2022) and on her work on norm contestation in international relations (Wiener 2018). The workshop also benefitted from the research done in the CCE on mapping a climate atlas of legal rules and litigation challenges and research on climate change in EU trade law (Gehring et al, 2023).

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2024/11/varieties-climate-agency-special-focus-climate-litigation-international-workshop>



'The Past, Present and Future of the Indus Waters Treaty: A View from Practice'

On Thursday 7 November 2024, former Cambridge PhD student, Cameron Miles, returned to the Centre to give an evening lecture on 'The Past, Present and Future of the Indus Waters Treaty: A View from Practice'.



Lecture summary: The Indus Waters Treaty is often hailed as one of the most ambitious and successful riparian agreements of the 20th century. No matter how fractious the relations between its Parties, the Islamic Republic of Pakistan and the Republic of India, the Treaty has ensured that water rights have never become a flashpoint for further conflict as between them. Over time, however, the Treaty has become controversial, as multiple and compounding hydropower disputes between Pakistan and India are coupled with domestic calls for reform on both sides of the Line of Control. In this talk, Cameron Miles – counsel for Pakistan in the ongoing Indus Waters Treaty Arbitration and Neutral Expert Proceedings – offers an introduction to the Treaty and to the proceedings under it, before addressing how his own practice has been shaped by its contours. The talk offers insights not only for international lawyers interested in relations between Pakistan and India, but for those who might want to enter into the practice of such disputes themselves.

Cameron Miles specialises in public international law and international commercial and investment treaty arbitration. His practice as a leading junior is split between domestic and international courts and tribunals. In England, he has developed a market-leading practice on state immunity and enforcement matters heard in the Commercial Court, that also takes him to the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court. He also advises on such proceedings in other common law jurisdictions, including Australia and New Zealand. Elsewhere, he has appeared in high-stakes proceedings before the Permanent Court of Arbitration, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, and the International Court of Justice. In the arbitral arena, Cameron has developed considerable expertise in investment treaty arbitration, appearing in 16 separate proceedings, whether during the initial arbitration, in relation to post-award remedies, or in relation to arbitration-related applications in the English courts.

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/press/events/2024/11/evening-lecture-past-present-and-future-indus-waters-treaty-view-practice-cameron-miles-3vb>



International Lawyers for Africa (ILFA) Secondment Programme

On 15 October 2024, the Centre was delighted to welcome participants on the Africa (ILFA) Flagship Secondment Programme. The Centre has been involved in this initiative for 11 years.

The annually-held international secondment programme allows lawyers practising in various African jurisdictions to be selected and sponsored for a three-month secondment (September to December) at highly reputed international law firms and corporations based in London, Paris, Lisbon and Dubai.

The programme provides an academic enrichment series that incorporates training modules on various topics relevant to the African legal sector. A wide variety of practice areas and sectors are covered as part of the training modules which take place in London in the first two weeks of the programme before the lawyers then go to the various host cities. Finally, the ILFA lawyers undergo seminars at Oxford and Cambridge Universities. The overall objective is to 'educate, equip and empower' African lawyers.

Centre Director, Prof Sandesh Sivakumaran, welcomed the visitors to the Lauterpacht Centre. This was followed by three talks by Centre Fellows:

Dr Brendan Plant on 'Territorial Disputes and Africa'; Prof Henning Grosse Ruse-Khan on 'Applying past laws to ongoing wrongs? Re-thinking temporality in cases of reparations for historic injustices' and Dr Liana Minkova on 'Making Ecocide an International Crime: Legal Challenges and Political Implications'.

International Lawyers for Africa (ILFA) was created in 2006 by partners from leading London law firms with an interest in Africa, who wanted to use their positions and contacts to assist in "top-down" African development. ILFA is an Africa-focused capacity building organisation whose mission is to build legal excellence in Africa by providing access to advanced legal training, networking opportunities and education for African lawyers and senior professionals engaged in the negotiation of complex transactions in Africa. ILFA's goal is to enhance the quality and delivery of legal services to clients across Africa and to strengthen the rule of law in Africa.



Top photo: Lawyers on the ILFA programme with Prof Henning Grosse Ruse-Khan (third from right) in the Old Library at the Lauterpacht Centre.

Bottom photo: Dr Liana Minkova delivers her lecture in the Centre's Berkowitz Finley Lecture Hall.



London Conference on International Law 2024

The Lauterpacht Centre was delighted to be an official academic sponsor of the London Conference on International Law 2024. Fellows, Linked Partners and PhD students from the Centre took part or attended the popular two day event.

Topics for discussion in the different panels and plenaries included: climate and the environment, investor-state dispute settlement, accounting for war, international settlement of disputes, the colonial legacy of international law, immunity of foreign officials: the state of play, international law and domestic courts: human rights and customary international law, activities of multinational corporations under international law, artificial intelligence, international migration and refugee law, international humanitarian law, sanctions: is it really 'the West versus the Rest?', current issues in law of the sea, taxation, space law, energy security and careers in international law.

Sally Langrish is Legal Adviser and Director General Legal, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office; Chair, London Conference on International Law Steering Committee and a Linked Partner Fellow at the Lauterpacht Centre. Sally gave the conference welcome address, chaired *Plenary 2: Women in International Law* and gave the closing remarks.



Sir Michael Wood KC, Barrister, Twenty Essex is an Honorary Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre. He chaired *Plenary 1: In Conversation with Members of the International Law Commission*.



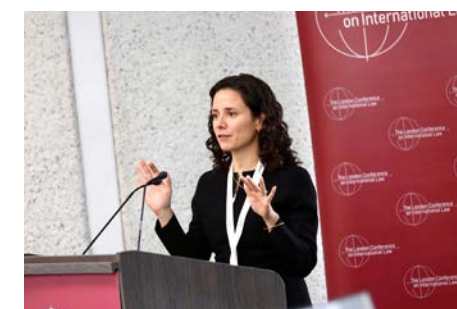
The Rt Hon Lord Lloyd-Jones, Justice of the Supreme Court, Advisory Board member of the Lauterpacht Centre took part in *Plenary 4: Public International Law in the UK Supreme Court* with The Rt Hon Lady Arden of Heswall DBE, former Justice of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom.



The closing panel, on the Future of International Law was chaired by Sir Daniel Bethlehem KCMG KC, Barrister and Arbitrator, Twenty Essex and Chair of the Advisory Board of the Lauterpacht Centre in conversation with three panellists including Professor Surabhi Ranganathan, Deputy Director of the Lauterpacht Centre and Professor of International Law at the University of Cambridge.



Dr Federica Paddeu, Associate Professor & Derek Bowett Fellow in Law, Queen's College, University of Cambridge and a Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre chaired *Panel 7: Sanctions: Is it really 'the West versus the Rest'?*



Prof Lorand Bartels MBE, Professor of International Law, University of Cambridge, Counsel, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP and Centre Fellow was a speaker in *Panel 10: Activities of Multinational Corporations under International Law*.



Further details on the conference and the different sessions - including recorded sessions and photos are available at <https://thelondonconference.org/2024-conference-videos/>

The London Conference on International Law 2026 will take place in autumn 2026. Exact dates to follow.



Treaty Implementation Advances on Climate Change, Biodiversity Degradation and Desertification, with USD 300 Billion as part of 1.3 Trillion Annual Climate Finance Goal under the Paris Agreement

By Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger, Centre Fellow and Chair in Sustainable Development Law and Policy, Lucy Cavendish College; with thanks to Dr Markus Gehring, Centre Fellow and Associate Professor of Law; Advocates Tejas Rao and Renatus Derler, doctoral candidates; and Dr Antoinette Nestor, Affiliated Lectured in Land Economy

Over the autumn of 2024, even as important concerns about rising impacts of climate change, biodiversity degradation, desertification and other global sustainability challenges were heard in international courts and tribunals, Parties to multilateral treaties gathered in Cali, Colombia for the 16th Conference of the Parties (COP16) of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD); in Baku, Azerbaijan for the 29th Conference of the Parties (COP29) to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia for the 16th Conference of the Parties (COP16) of the UN Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought (UNCCD).

COP29, in particular, marked an important milestone for efforts to implement the Paris Agreement. Legally, the New Collective Quantified Goal on Climate Finance (NCQG) provides a global financial target to address gaps in climate finance for developing countries, including Small Island Developing States (SIDS). The NCQG seeks to strengthen climate resilience, foster cooperation between developed and developing nations, catalyse private-sector investment in climate action, and ensure accountability and transparency in tracking financial flows to beneficiaries. A key outcome of COP29 was the increase in the NCQG from the previous commitment of \$100 billion in climate finance annually, agreed at COP21 in 2015, to \$300 billion per year by 2035 for developing countries, with developed nations leading the charge. Notably, only a few developed nations—such as the EU, Japan, and the US—have consistently contributed climate finance to developing countries. However, it is widely acknowledged that developing nations require trillions rather than billions to meet the challenges posed by climate change. The agreed NCQG includes a recognition of the need to mobilise over \$1.3 trillion annually from all sectors, across public and private sources, in developed and developing countries, by 2035. Moreover, the \$300 billion goal also includes voluntary contributions from developing countries, such as China, marking a new direction in global climate finance. While disappointing to many, given how much is necessary, the NCQG does send signals to governments, investors and markets and offers a foundation to build on. By adopting an overall financial goal that is closely linked to climate science, it is hoped that the Baku compromise sends signals to domestic and regional markets, and provide a more stable framework to redirect financial flows towards low-GHG climate-resilient development. SIDS and other climate



vulnerable countries helped forge this compromise. Indeed, during the final rounds of negotiations, developed nations proposed a \$250 billion target, but SIDS and other developing nations encouraged greater ambition, including through a staged walkout, to raise the bar. By focusing on science and documented financial need, on the basis of multiple studies and reports, they secured a scaled-up financial commitment that while disappointing to many, still lays a foundation to build on, for progressively increasing climate finance over time.

Further, in COP29 Parties finally secured agreement on carbon trading under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, bringing nearly a decade of negotiations to a close. The rules governing country-to-country trading under Article 6.2, as well as a new international carbon market under Article 6.4, are now essentially complete. The new Article 6.4 Sustainable Development Mechanism, as a 'Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism' (PACM) includes mandatory sustainable development, ecological and human rights safeguards, alongside requirements for downward adjustment of baselines and additionality checks. The first methodologies under this mechanism may

be approved in 2025. Additionally, COP29 made significant progress to operationalize the new Loss and Damage Response Fund, agreed at COP28. Hosted by the World Bank on an interim basis, the trustees and other guidance was adopted with developed countries, including the United States, European Union, United Kingdom, and Japan, announcing initial pledges totaling over \$700 million (though again, much more is needed).

The CBD COP16 in Cali was marked by both significant achievements and ongoing challenges in enhancing the protection of nature, and more sustainable use of biodiversity, worldwide. A landmark decision established the Cali Fund as part of a multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism for digital sequencing information (DSI) on genetic resources. This innovative mechanism requires large companies benefiting from DSI use to contribute 1% of profits or 0.1% of revenue to support biodiversity conservation and sustainable use. However, the meeting was suspended in its final hours during discussions on the need for dedicated global financing instrument for biodiversity under COP authority. This suspension left several critical decisions pending, including those on resource mobilization for the Global Biodiversity Framework, also the adopting of indicators for transparent monitoring frameworks. A resumed session which will be held in February 2025 in Rome, Italy.

The UNCCD COP16 in Riyadh also made progress on several treaty implementation fronts despite challenges in addressing drought. While intense discussions did not result in agreement on whether to negotiate a framework or legally binding protocol to respond to drought worldwide, the launch of the Riyadh Global Drought Resilience Partnership marked a significant milestone, securing over USD 12 billion in pledges. The COP also achieved important progress in civil society engagement, establishing new caucuses for Indigenous Peoples and local communities, ensuring future UNCCD discussions remain informed by ground-level expertise. These developments will carry forward to COP17 in Mongolia, where Parties will attempt to bridge the remaining gaps in drought-related negotiations.

During COP16 and COP29, Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger, Dr Markus Gehring, Prof Harro van Asselt and others, alongside leading Cambridge academics and doctoral candidates such as Prof Hugh Hunt, Prof Chris Sandbrook, Dr Antoinette Nestor and Adv Tejas Rao, engaged and advised current and future law and policy leaders from highly climate

vulnerable countries, supporting their access to new online briefings on implementing the UNFCCC Paris Agreement and the CBD Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) and advancing the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). In Baku, ministers from Bangladesh, Liberia, Pakistan, and Sierra Leone secured places for current and future law and policy leaders from their countries to benefit from 'key essentials' educational offerings through the Democratising Education for Global Sustainability and Justice programme in 2024 and 2025.

On 29 November in the Law Faculty, Centre Fellows and other colleagues from across the university provided, on request of law students, an initial discussion of legally relevant outcomes from the treaty meetings. A full house of PhD, LLM, MCL, tripos and other students joined the brief event, asking questions about the treaty regimes and next steps.

To follow up, on 6 February 2025, judges, scholars and practitioners further considered opportunities and challenges to implement key international treaties on sustainable development through a hybrid experts panel and legal roundtable. Sessions focussed on the legal outcomes of COP16 of the CBD, COP29 of the UNFCCC and COP16 of the UNCCD, and their relevance for national law and policy reform.

These special events, co-hosted by the DemEd Global programme, Cambridge Zero, the Bennett Institute for Public Policy and other partners from across Cambridge and internationally, will analyse the role of international law in crafting the National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) which respond to the new Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, the updated Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to the global response to climate change as mandated by the Paris Agreement, and the Regional and National Action Plans (NAPs) under the UNCCD, while also discussing the potential for a new UNCCD Protocol on Drought.

(Photo second right: Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger chairs panel at COP29)

Fellows' News

From September to October 2024, 'Key Essentials' briefings were hosted online from Cambridge on the SDGs and International Law, the Paris Agreement, Sustainable Development and the Law and the Global Biodiversity Framework. These were supported by **Prof Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger**, college-based Chair in Sustainable Development Law and Policy.

These online educational opportunities featured interventions from Centre Fellows **Dr Markus Gehring**, **Prof Henning Grosse Ruse-Khan**, **Prof Jorge Vinuales**, **Prof Harro van Asselt**, **Dr John Barker**, and Prof James Bacchus (LCIL Visiting Scholar in Michaelmas Term 2024), among others. Through this Democratising Education for Global Sustainability and Justice (degsg.org) programme, over 2,700 current and future law and policy leaders from more than 170 highly climate vulnerable countries and beyond learned about the international treaty regimes, exploring ways to implement these accords in their countries through legal and public policy reform.

On 26 October 2024 the Biodiversity Law and Governance Day 2024 legal symposium was held in Cali, Colombia and online during the 16th Conference of the Parties (COP16) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). Prof Cordonier Segger chaired the Day together with colleagues from Universidad Externado and Universidad Javeriana of Colombia, which focused on enhancing the integration of nature-based solutions and the management of natural resources within the framework of the Biodiversity Convention and related treaties.

On 15 November 2024, the Climate Law and Governance Day 2024 legal symposium was held in Baku, Azerbaijan and online during the 29th Conference of the Parties (COP29) of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. Prof Cordonier Segger chaired the Day together with colleagues from ADA University Faculty of Law. **Dr Markus Gehring** (photo right) hosted a session on climate change provisions in European and other trade and investment treaties, while **Prof Harro van Asselt** presented in another session on climate litigation.



On 27 November 2024, Prof Cordonier Segger chaired a roundtable discussion on "Foreign Interference in Elections – What Role for International and Public Law?" with a keynote presentation by Prof Hoi Kong and the Rt. Hon Beverley McLachlin, Professor at the University of British Columbia Allard School of Law in Vancouver. The event explored the intersection of international law, constitutional law, and electoral integrity in a globalised world.

The workshop included a discussion by **Dr Markus Gehring** who reflected on the international law dimension of foreign interference in elections. The speakers and participants reflected on the increasingly urgent issue of foreign interference in elections, examining the evolving role of international and public law in safeguarding democratic processes. Key topics included the legal frameworks governing foreign influence, accountability mechanisms, and potential reforms to protect national elections in national and international law. With the rise of cyber threats and other forms of external influence, the roundtable discussed the need for a modernised legal approach to address these challenges. The event provided valuable insights into how international and public law can help ensure electoral integrity and democratic sovereignty in the face of evolving global challenges and interconnectedness.

On 16 October 2024, **Prof Henning Grosse Ruse-Khan** filmed a special tutorial on how recent developments in international intellectual property, trade and investment law can contribute to advancing the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for the Democratising Education for Global Sustainability and Justice Programme (DemEd Global), sharing his expertise and insights promise to enrich the programme's online educational offerings.



In December 2024, three Centre Fellows were involved in the ICJ hearings in the advisory proceedings concerning the 'Obligations of States in respect of Climate Change.' Centre Fellows **Prof Jorge Vinuales** acted for the Republic of Vanuatu, **Dr Fernando Bordin** assisted El Salvador in the proceedings, and Dr Brendan Plant acted for Samoa (photo: **Dr Brendan Plant**, fourth from right).



Fellows' Publications

Harro van Asselt

Blog: Corporate climate (un)accountability? Landmark Shell ruling overturned on appeal (Nov 2024)

Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger

Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger and Christina Voigt, *Routledge Handbook of Climate Law and Governance: Courage, Contributions and Compliance* (Routledge 2024)

Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger and others, 'Defending the Defenders: State Responsibility to Respect climate Justice, Rule of Law and Rights of Counsel in Climate Litigation Worldwide' in Ezio Costa Cordella and Pilgar Moraga Sariago (eds), *State Responsibilities in the Climate Crisis: Legal Standards and Global Litigation* (Tirant Lo Blanch 2024)

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Markus Gehring

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Markus Gehring and others, 'Legal and Governance Challenges for the Implementation of NDCs in Morocco, Tunisia and Jordan' in Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger and Christina Voigt (eds), *Routledge Handbook of Climate Law and Governance: Courage, Contributions and Compliance* (Routledge 2024)

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Henning Grosse Ruse-Khan and Ashrutha Rai, 'Intertemporality and Public Policy - Rethinking Temporal Conflict of Laws in Addressing Historic Injustices' (2024) University of Cambridge Faculty of Law Research Paper No 34/2024

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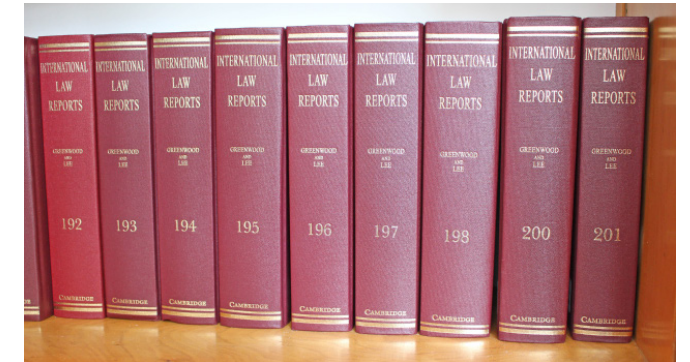
International Law Reports (ILR)

The ILR reports are edited by Sir Christopher Greenwood GBE CMG KC and Karen Lee, Centre Fellow and Fellow and former Vice-Mistress of Girton College, Cambridge.

The International Law Reports (ILR) have been reporting the decisions of national and international courts and tribunals on issues of public international law for over ninety years. The series captures the full range of judgments and awards on issues of international law from the increasing number of international courts and tribunals while expanding coverage of national judgments.

The series is also available online via Cambridge Core as well as Justis. Volumes 205, 206 and 207 are now available.

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/publications/international-law-reports>



International Convention on the Settlement of Investment Disputes Reports (ICSID)

The ICSID reports provide an authoritative published collection of investor-State arbitral awards and decisions rendered under the auspices of the World Bank's International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), pursuant to other bilateral or multilateral investment treaties such as the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the Energy Charter Treaty (ECT) or involving investment contracts entered by States. These decisions, which are fully indexed, make an important contribution to the growing body of jurisprudence on international investment law.

The editors of the ICSID Reports are Professors Jorge Viñuales, University of Cambridge and Centre Fellow, and Michael Waibel, University of Vienna and the assistant editor is Dr Oliver Hailes, London School of Economics.

The ICSID Reports are an invaluable tool for practitioners, scholars and government lawyers working in the field of public international law, investment treaty arbitration, and international commercial arbitration, whether advising foreign investors or States.

The upcoming Volume 21 focuses on Damages in Investment Arbitration, including an opening piece by Lucinda Low and an overview of the international law on damages in investment disputes by Professor Michael Waibel. As in previous volumes, this volume includes summaries, digests and excerpts of decisions rendered in the last decade in cases involving States from around the world. Case summaries and digests are written upon the invitation of the Editors by arbitration practitioners and international law researchers.

More information on the series can be found at Cambridge University Press. It is also available online at Cambridge Core.

Update on the Cambridge International Lawyers' Archive (CILA)

By Lesley Dingle, former Foreign & International Law Librarian at the Squire Law Library and Honorary Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre

For the last two years, the large amount of historical legal material deposited in Bahrain House has been collated and an inventory of its contents compiled (see Newsletter Issue 38 Nov 2024). The material has been re-boxed and re-housed. This collection will form the core of the future Cambridge International Lawyers' Archive (CILA).

During the course of this work many notable items of interest have been unearthed that relate to illustrious former international lawyers. The Director, Professor Sivakumaran, proposed that these should be put on display to highlight the Centre's heritage. Consequently, a large display cabinet was acquired in which to house some of these items. This now sits in the foyer adjacent to the kitchen and the library.

It was decided that the cabinet should, at least initially, display items that were related to the legacy that the Lauterpacht family bequeathed to Cambridge University and the LCIL in Cranmer Road. Appropriately, the Centre sits opposite the property where members of the family lived from the late 1930s to 80s.

Thus, each of the five shelves in the display cabinet is devoted to a theme that marks an important historical aspect in the establishment of international law at Cambridge and ultimately the creation of the Centre over 40 years ago.

In this regard, the original basis for the establishment of the Centre was borne in mind. It was founded by Sir Elihu Lauterpacht and his mother Rachel as a way of honouring Eli's father, Sir Hersch Lauterpacht, who died in 1960 and who had been previously at LSE, then Whewell Professor of International Law at Cambridge, and finally a judge on the International Court of Justice.

The Top shelf displays items relating to Lord Arnold McNair. McNair was Hersch Lauterpacht's mentor when the latter was newly-arrived from Vienna in 1923 at the LSE, and he also encouraged Hersch to apply for the Whewell Chair when he (McNair) moved to Liverpool as Vice Chancellor in 1937. A focal item is Lord McNair's attaché case (donated by Lady Catherine Lauterpacht), and a 1950 photograph of the two families in the garden of 6 Cranmer Road (which McNair owned while living in Cambridge). By

then, McNair was a judge at the ICJ. Also of interest is a signed text book owned by McNair who was a student at Gonville & Caius (1906 – 1909): Wheaton's Elements of International Law 1863.



The Second shelf shows items relating to Sir Hersch's role in the International Military Tribunal in 1945-46 at Nuremberg. This established Hersch's position as a foremost proponent of the concept of "crimes against humanity", which he first proposed to Robert Jackson, US Chief Prosecutor at Nuremberg when he visited Hersch at Cranmer Road in July 1945. These were included, along with war crimes and crimes against peace, in Article 6 of the Charter of the International Military Tribunal. A particularly interesting object on this shelf is Hersch's personal copy of the folder given to legal counsel at Nuremberg with a signed list of all the British, US, French, and Soviet judges at the trial.

The Third shelf shows personal possessions of Hersch's relating to the war, and immediate post-war years. These include his wallet, Dutch AA membership card, ration books, and letters. Also in



Hersch Lauterpacht at the Nuremberg Trials 1945

the cabinet signed booklet entitled "The Complaint of Hyderabad Against the Dominion of India Under Article 35(2) of the Charter of the United Nations" dated 1948. This set out the case in which Sir Hersch was involved on behalf of the Nizam of Hyderabad. It devolved on the issue of the sovereignty of the State of Hyderabad (to which Hersch offered legal advice), vis à vis the newly-independent state of India in 1947.

The Fourth shelf highlights Sir Eli's role as an international lawyer. The example taken is his involvement in the arbitration tribunal that dealt with the Chile and Argentina dispute over the Beagle Channel and the sovereignty of three islands at the eastern entrance to the Channel: Picton,

Lennox, and Nueva. Sir Eli described some amusing aspects of his "fieldwork" while representing Chile, when he gave an audio interview for the Eminent Scholars Archive in 2008. Argentina did not accept the tribunal's findings (in 1977), and the issue was only settled by further mediation involving the Pope.

The Fifth, and bottom shelf shows two books relating to Eli Lauterpacht. One is a photographic album of his life compiled by his daughter (Gabriel Cox), which has many personal photographs of the Lauterpacht family, including his father Hersch and mother Rachel. The second is a biography that Eli published based on his father's correspondence.



Sir Hersch Lauterpacht



Display Cabinet at the Centre

The Centre is always delighted to hear from its former Visiting Scholars. Please do send us your news to communications@lcil.cam.ac.uk. We look forward to hearing from you!

Hon Charles N Brower I was a Visiting Fellow of the Centre throughout the Michaelmas Term in 2001 (and simultaneously a Visiting Fellow at Jesus College) and at the Centre again during two later summers. I remain since 1983 a Judge of the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal and in 2014-2022 sat in three cases as Judge ad hoc of the International Court of Justice and therefore and the most-appointed American ever as ICJ Judge ad hoc. Earlier I also sat once as Judge ad hoc of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. In addition to nine previous Lifetime Achievement Awards or their equivalent the American Branch of the International Law Association bestowed on me on October 22, 2024 its "2024 ABILA Outstanding Achievement Award".



Maria Stefania Cataleta I was a visiting researcher at the Lauterpacht Centre from 8 July 2024 to 11 September 2024. I would like to inform you of my recent publication: *La gioventù africana e la piaga del reclutamento: il caso emblematico dei Mayi Mayi*, in *Rivista di Filosofia dei diritti umani*, 2024. Furthermore, also thanks to my research at the Lauterpacht Centre, I have recently received the research award 2024 from the Law department of LUMSA University in Rome.



Sarah El Amouri It is incredible that one year has already passed since my visiting research stay at the Centre (Lent Term 2024), of which I keep beautiful memories. In the meantime, I have the pleasure to announce that on 25 October 2024, I successfully defended my PhD in international law at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (on which I also mainly worked during my stay in Cambridge).



My PhD is entitled "Halting aid in the shade: a plea for mandatory home state regulation of private business activities in or pertaining to illegally occupied territories in light of the duty of non-assistance" and was written under the supervision of Prof dr Stefaan Smis (promotor) and Prof dr Anne Lagerwall and Prof dr Cédric Ryngaert (members of the supervisory committee).

Oktawian Kuc is an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Warsaw and was a Visiting Scholar in May 2024. Whilst at the Centre Oktawian shared his research to other Visiting Scholars. He has recently authored two chapters: 'Prosecuting International Crimes in Ukraine: The Role of Ukrainian Domestic Courts' [in] *The Russian-Ukrainian Conflict and War Crimes: Challenges for Documentation and International Prosecution*, eds. Patrycja Grzebyk, Dominika Uczkiewicz (Routledge 2024) and 'Reception of ICJ Jurisprudence by Domestic Courts in the Field of International Law of The Sea' [in] *40 Years of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea: Assessment and Prospects*, eds. Tomasz Kamiński, Karol Karski (Routledge 2025).



Andreas Kulick has been a frequent visitor to the Centre since 2010. In October 2024 he was appointed Professor and Chair of Public International Law and Public Law at Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz. Andreas will be visiting the Centre from the end of January to April 2025. His research area covers Global Corporations, Sources, International Subjectivity and Global Governance.



The Centre was delighted to learn that former Visiting Scholar, **Jennifer Maass (July - December 2022)** successfully defended her dissertation in January this year. Jennifer presented her work: 'The Influence of the UN Sustainable Development Goals on Standardisation in Transnational Law - A Legal Analysis of Steering Effects in the Extractive Industries' to the examination committee at University of Social Sciences and Humanities (SWPS) which gave its unanimous approval. Congratulations Jennifer!



Photo - left to right: Prof Dr hab. Olga Maria Piaskowska, SWPS; Prof Dr hab. Katarzyna Chałubińska-Jentkiewicz, University of Warsaw; Dr Joanna Gomula, LCIL; Prof Dr Winfried Huck, Ostfalia University for Applied Sciences, Fellow at C-EENRG, Dr hab. Andrzej Szlęzak, SWPS; Prof Dr hab. Teresa Gardocka, Director of the doctoral institute, SWPS; Jennifer Maass, SWPS, Ostfalia.

Felix Pollmann On my return to Münster, after spending the summer in 2024 at the Centre doing research and working on my doctoral thesis, I was admitted to and started the "Programme in European Private Law for Postgraduates (PEPP)". PEPP is a one-year taught programme, targeted at doctorate students who work in the field of private law (in a broad sense) in the European context. The aim of PEPP is to allow the participants to experience other legal cultures first-hand, build up a European network of peers and to enhance the quality of the academic work of each participant. The class of 2024/2025 consists of, in total, 24 doctoral students from the Universities of Cambridge, Oxford, Leuven, Genoa, Valencia, Krakow, Katowice, Maribor, Zagreb, Hamburg and Münster.



The first of four PEPP-weeks was held at my alma mater in Münster in October, but also included a visit to the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law in Hamburg. The lectures covered a broad range of topics from the foundations of European private law to be found in Roman law, to the implications of private international law for the fight against fast fashion, from the (perceived) differences between common law and civil law systems, to the role of autonomous agents in private law. The remaining PEPP-weeks will be held at Katowice and Krakow, Leuven, and Genoa in 2025.

At the end of the programme, a book will be published which will include essays of some of the lecturers and participants. And my essay will surely feature some of what I found out at the Centre. Additionally, I am confident that I will be able to finish my doctoral thesis by the end of 2025, and hopefully publish that one, too, in 2026. Attached, I share with you a few impressions from Münster and Hamburg during the PEPP week. (Photo: Felix - back row, 2nd from left).

Magdalena Sepúlveda (2023) I have been appointed by the Secretary General of the United Nations as the new Director of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD). I began the position on 1 November 2024.



Ms. Sepúlveda is currently Executive Director of the Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and Senior Research Associate at UNRISD. Her 22-year career has focused on the intersection of poverty, development and human rights and has bridged research and policy formulation. She worked as a researcher at the Netherlands Institute for Human Rights, a staff attorney at the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, as the Co-Director of the Department of International Law and Human Rights of the United Nations-mandated University for Peace in Costa Rica (2002-2004) and as a Research Director at the International Council on Human Rights Policy, in Geneva (2006-2012).

Magdalena was United Nations Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights, United Nations Human Rights Council (2008-2014), Member of the High-Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition of the United Nations Committee on World Food Security (2013-2017) and Member of the United Nations High Level Panel on International Financial Accountability, Transparency and Integrity for Achieving the 2030 Agenda.

She holds a PhD in International Law from Utrecht University in the Netherlands, an LLM in human rights law from the University of Essex, UK and a post graduate diploma on comparative constitutional law from the Universidad Católica de Chile. Magdalena was a Visiting Scholar to the Centre in the summer of 2003.

Antje Wiener holds the Chair of Political Science, especially Global Governance at the University of Hamburg where she is a member of the Faculty of Business and Social Sciences as well as the Law Faculty. Prof Wiener is a frequent research visitor to the Centre. In January 2025 Antje published a journal article: *The many paths of change in international law*, International Affairs, Volume 101, Issue 1, Pages 346–347.

During her research stay at the Centre in November and December last year, Antje gave a talk at the University of St Andrews: 'The Contested Use of Staatsraison/Raison d'Etat Against the Backdrop of the Gaza Conflict' and delivered a Friday lunchtime lecture: 'Global Re/Ordering Through Norms - A Methodological Stocktake'.

Antje also completed two manuscripts during November and December last year whilst a Visiting Academic at the Centre: *The Oxford Handbook of Grounded and Engaged Normative Theory*, edited by Brooke Ackery, Luis Cabrera, Monique Deveau, Fonna Forman, Genevieve Fuji Johnson, Gina Starblanket and Antje Wiener (OUP) November 2024; and *The Oxford Handbook of Norms in International Relations*, edited by Sassan Gholiagh, Phil Orchard and Antje Wiener (OUP) December 2024.



Investment Law and Arbitration

A five-day advanced training in international investment law and arbitration.

Monday 24 - Friday 28 March 2025

Programme Summary

International investment law has become a major area of international dispute settlement. The law on international investments and arbitration has attracted much attention recently, and saw a number of important developments that will leave their mark in the years to come.

Investment arbitration raises challenges distinct from those raised in other forms of international dispute settlement, including complex questions of how to value assets and how to develop and position an arbitration practice in a highly competitive arbitration market. At the end of the five days, participants will be equipped with a unique background in the substantive, procedural and strategic aspects of bringing or defending an investment arbitration.

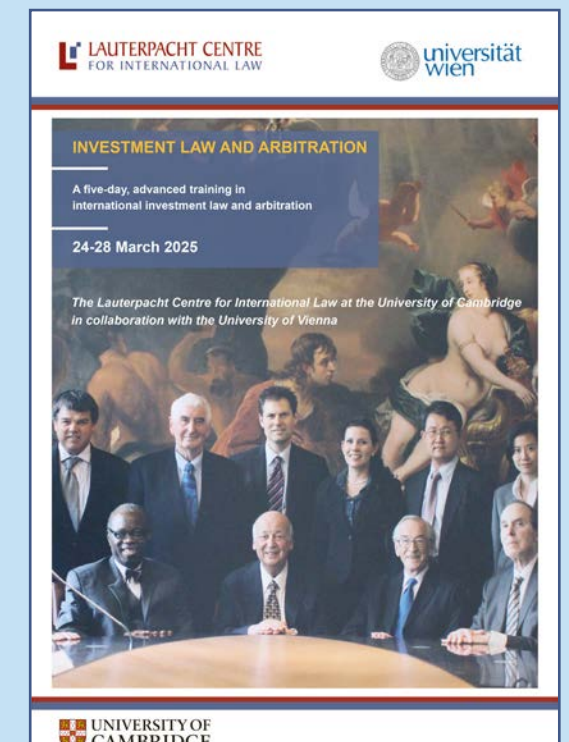
This five-day programme provides an advanced introduction to international investment law in the context of public international law and practice focusing on recent developments. It offers the opportunity to learn from Cambridge law and business school academics, as well as leading practitioners drawn from major law firms and barristers' chambers. It is designed both for junior practitioners who are developing a practice in international investment law and for more senior lawyers who wish to re-orient themselves to investment arbitration. Participants will receive a certificate of participation on successful completion of the course.

Instructors are expected to include:

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For further details and/or to apply, please send a CV and a one-page statement of interest to Andrijana Mišović: andrijana.misovic@univie.ac.at.

Further information: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/investment-law-and-arbitration>



Visiting the Centre as a Scholar

The Lauterpacht Centre welcomes academic visitors and Postgraduate students from around the world bringing a mutual research benefit to the individual and the Centre. Visitors are a key aspect of the Centre's activity and stay for periods varying from eight weeks to a year.

Visitors have the opportunity to pursue their own research in a tranquil and congenial atmosphere where they can also meet with other visiting scholars and Centre Fellows. Whilst at the Centre, visitors are encouraged to participate in the Centre's activities. There are usually around 20 - 24 visitors at any one time.

Visiting scholars are invited to attend the Centre's regular term time Friday Lunchtime Lectures given by visiting speakers and followed by discussion.

The Centre also arranges other occasional meetings and conferences, most notably the annual Hersch Lauterpacht Memorial Lecture and the Eli Lauterpacht Lecture.

During their stay visitors take turns to share their ideas and research with fellow visitors through weekly round table sessions. They are also welcome to attend open lectures and talks on international law and related subjects within the University.

Visit: [How to Apply to be a Visiting Scholar](#)



"The Lauterpacht Centre for International Law offered the ideal forum for in depth research and fruitful discussions with colleagues. Many thanks to the very welcoming and supportive staff which contributes to the Centre's special atmosphere every day."

"The scholarly exchange with my fellow visitors as well as the Fellows and Researchers of the Centre contributed significantly to the progress of my research. Especially the opportunity to present parts of my research to experts in the field was very valuable to me. But also the kind support of the Centre's staff was crucial for my time in Cambridge becoming the positive experience it definitely was."

"I want to thank you very much for this amazing research opportunity which surely will influence and benefit my work in the future, too. I do hope to return to the Centre in the future and meet many of you again."



"I am glad that I have been a visiting fellow at the Lauterpacht Centre for International. I had access to material useful for my research, I met Fellows of the Centre and fellow researchers and attended interesting events. I would also like to thank the administrative staff for creating a friendly atmosphere."



"Visiting the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law has undoubtedly been a cornerstone in my PhD journey. The time at the LCIL was marked by inspiring conversations with fellow visitors, enriching lunchtime lectures, and insightful interactions with the Centre's fellows. Each of these experiences made my time at the LCIL invaluable. The memories and insights I gained continue to enhance my research and broaden my perspective. The staff at the Centre deserves a special mention for their exceptional support and organization. Their dedication contributed to the unique environment at the Centre, which strikes a perfect balance between fostering productivity and calmness, clearing the mind for new thoughts and ideas. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to spend time at the Lauterpacht Centre and hope to return one day."



"My time at the Lauterpacht Centre was nothing short of exceptional. The center's access to an extensive research database was incredibly beneficial. It provided me with the necessary tools and resources to delve deep into my subjects of interest, enhancing my research quality significantly. The opportunity to meet and engage with Cambridge professors and scholars from various backgrounds enriched my learning and expanded my network. Participating in the wide array of conferences and forums offered by the center was a highlight, providing me with invaluable insights and exposure to global legal perspectives."



"The administrative support at the center were not only efficient and professional but also genuinely warm-hearted. Their willingness to assist at every turn made a huge difference in my daily life at the center, creating a nurturing and encouraging environment."

Visiting Fellows & Scholars

The Lauterpacht Centre is delighted to welcome the following visiting fellows and scholars and those who are continuing their research visit for the Lent Term 2025.

Name	Institution	Research Title
Dr Humoud Alfadhli (continuing visitor)	Kuwait University	International Criminal Law: From Nuremberg to the Hague: Rediscovering “Taking a Consent Part” Criminal Mode of Liability to fit best in the Rome Statute
Ms Ruchira Kaur Bali	LUISS University, Rome, Italy	Sustaining the scope for environmental protection, promotion, and respect in International Investment Law: Seeing through the eye of public international law, and escapades of environmental law trade, and human rights framework
Mr Robin Beglinger (continuing visitor)	University of Zurich, Switzerland	One Country, One Vote? Alternative Systems of Voting Rights Distribution in International Organizations
Dr Jeehyun Choi (continuing until February 2025)	Jeju National University	Maritime Peace Building through a Peace Treaty
Dr Mariela de Amstalden	University of Exeter	Public International Law, Technology Law, Legal History
Mr Stephen Donnelly	Essex Court Chambers	The rationale for the binding nature of unilateral acts of State and their relationship to other sources of international law
Mr Nathan Ehrenfreund (continuing visitor)	University of Lausanne	Normative Hybridity in the Regulation of Global Issues: from Coexistence to Coordination
Prof Gregory Fox	Wayne State University Law School	Third Parties in Armed Conflict
Mr Yunus Gul (continuing visitor)	University of Bonn	The Concept of Cyber Attack in International Law
Jan-Henrik Hinselmann	Georg-August-Universität Göttingen/University Hamburg	Theory of international law (subject area); international criminal/trade/investment law (areas of reference): An Interpretation-Construction-Distinction in Public International Law and Legal Thought (working title)
Prof Aya Kakinuma Iino (continuing until March 2025)	Nihon University, Tokyo, Japan	Reforming International Trade Rules in a Changing International Economic Order
Prof Andreas Kulick (returning visitor)	Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz	Corporate Influence on International Law
Dr Xinyue Li (returning visitor)	East China University of Political Science and Law	Multidisciplinary theories of international law, quantum theories, international economic law, economic-security: International Economic Law and Quantum Theory: Quantising Geoeconomics
Mr Michael Marcondes Smith	University of Antwerp	Righting socio-economic inequality: legal interpretation and the limits of the equality norm in international law
Mr Stefan McClean (continuing visitor)	Bocconi University	The Function of Obligations erga omnes in International Law
Dr Zvenyslava Opeida (continuing visitor)	National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine	Research interests include international trade law, WTO, trade remedies and regulation of the state intervention in the market (such as public subsidies).
Prof Yejoon Rim (continuing visitor)	Korea University	State Failure and its Implications for International Law
Dr Siva Thambisetty	London School of Economics and Political Science	Text, Trust and Theatre: An Autoethnography of the Making of the Oceans Treaty
Dr Anil Yilmaz Vastardis	University of Essex	The relationship between international investment law, climate action and just transition

Brandon Research Fellowship in International Law 2025-2026

The Lauterpacht Centre for International Law is pleased to invite applications for the 2025-2026 Brandon Research Fellowship, funded by generous gifts by Mr Michael Brandon MA, LLB, LLM (Cantab), MA (Yale) (1923–2012) and by Mr Christopher Brandon.

The successful scholar will become a *Brandon Scholar* and as such will be one of the community of visiting scholars at the Lauterpacht Centre. The Brandon Fellowship is a postdoctoral research fellowship and has a maximum value of £5,200. The award is intended to cover fees and costs associated with a stay of a minimum of one acceptance period at the Lauterpacht Centre (approximately 11-13 weeks).

Requirements

The Brandon Scholar will:

- Undertake a project, specified on application, on some aspect of public or private international law or international arbitration while based at the Lauterpacht Centre.
- Produce a report of their work in English at the end of their stay and deposit with the Centre any publication resulting from the work undertaken. The support received from the Brandon Research Fellowship at LCIL should be acknowledged in the publication.
- Candidates must be fluent in English and at least one other language of French, German or Spanish.

Preference will be given to candidates who are nationals of members of the European Union; members of the Commonwealth; Argentina; Brazil; Chile; China; Japan; Panama; Serbia; Switzerland; and the United States of America.

How to apply

Applications should consist of the following documents (saved in pdf format):

- a completed application form (including an outline of the proposed research);
- the candidate’s CV (curriculum vitae) (maximum 4 pages);
- two letters of reference (sent as a pdf and not password protected)

Application guidance notes and an application form can be downloaded from:

<https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/brandon-research-fellowship-2025-2026>

The deadline for applications is **Friday 4 April 2025**.



The Lauterpacht Centre for International Law offers a number of scholarships each year to help fund academic research visits. Please check the website regularly for further details and application deadlines.

<https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/about-centre/scholarships>

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The Centre welcomed many visitors during the Michaelmas Term 2024. We hope our visitors enjoyed their time with us, and we look forward to welcoming them all back when their schedules allow.



Christmas Jumper Day 2024 on 12 December. Much fun was had over coffee, cake and mulled wine whilst taking part in a Christmas quiz. Over £100 was raised through donations for the Save the Children Charity. Thank you for organising this fun event, Karen Fachechi!



Christmas meal 2024 at Sidney Sussex College



A shared December birthday!



A Farewell coffee for Michaelmas visitors



A Welcome coffee for 2025 visitors!





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