



Dear All,

Thank you to all who made my first weeks as Acting Director of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law (LCIL) so very warm and welcoming. I have much enjoyed getting to know the Fellows, Visiting Fellows, and other visitors who gather for coffee each morning. The coffee tradition is a wonderful reminder that Cambridge is indeed a centre for study and research in international law and that the Lauterpacht Centre is a place where international law scholars and researchers gather and visitors are welcome to drop by to meet colleagues and friends.

With the start of the Michaelmas Term:

- ▶ The Centre's **Management Committee** met on 6 October and reviewed the LCIL Annual Report for the academic year 2005-6. The **Annual Report** is available for download from **LCIL's homepage**. The Management Committee also approved the preparation of a report by the Acting Director on possible future directions for the Centre. Alumni and others interested in contributing to this are encouraged to contact **Charlotte Ku** before the end of 2006.
- ▶ The **Friday talks programme** is fully underway. Full programme details are available in the **Term Lectures section** of the **LCIL website**. To date the following talks have taken place:
 - **Mr Samuel Wordsworth** on the legally uncertain world of investor protection;
 - **Dr Charlotte Ku** on a multilayered system of global governance;
 - **Dr Jeremy Watkins** and **John Tasioulas** on the philosophy of state responsibility; and
 - **Dr David Berry** on dispute settlement in CARICOM.
- ▶ LCIL was pleased to host part of the induction program for 20 new **PhD students** from the Law Faculty.
- ▶ The **Visiting Fellows Roundtable** featured presentations by **Emily Crawford**, University of New South Wales, Australia on international humanitarian law and **Roland Portmann**, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland on theories of subjectivity in international law – an historical analysis and synthesis. Visiting Fellow **Martin Schaub** of Zurich University serves as the Michaelmas convenor for the Visiting Fellow Roundtable.
- ▶ **Publications News** The hardcopy for volume 129 of the *International Law Reports* is due to be handed to Cambridge University Press shortly. The planned contents include the Advisory Opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legal Consequences of the Construction of a Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory* together with the decisions of the Israeli Supreme Court in the *Beit Sourik* and *Mara'abe* cases, decisions of the ICSID arbitration tribunal in *SGS v. Pakistan* (and the related decisions of the Supreme Court of Pakistan) and *SGS v. Philippines*, as well as Australian and German decisions on aliens.
- ▶ **Computing update** LCIL IT administrator Sarah Kitching's Monday morning visits are among the most anticipated of the Centre's working week. She reports steady progress on the server replacement.
- ▶ **Website update** Work on the conversion of the LCIL website onto the faculty's content management system (cms) began on 23 October and should be completed by mid-November. The new cms system will allow for the provision of more dynamic content to users and enable information to be shared more easily amongst the university's other law centres. Some pages, including the homepage, will change, however, the overall look and feel of the site should not be markedly different.



*LCIL Visiting Fellows –
Michaelmas 2006*

*Clockwise from top left:
Tomoyuki Yuyama, David Berry,
Roland Portmann, Martin Schaub,
Takeo Horiguchi, Giulio Bartolini,
Niaz Shah, Judith Welling (Snyder Scholar),
Annemarieke Vermeer-Künzli,
Charlotte Ku (LCIL Acting Director),
Emily Crawford, Carmen Gonzalez and
Anita Rutherford (LCIL Administrator)*

► **New people at the Centre** The Centre's visitors remain an active and integral part of Centre life. In October, we said farewell to Gil Limon, Emily Crawford and Niaz Shah. We also welcomed:

- **Giulio Bartolini** is assistant professor of international law at the University of "Roma Tre," Italy and lectures in International Human Rights Law and International Humanitarian Law at the University of Siena. Whilst at LCIL, he will be writing on reparation for human rights violations and its relations to general international law.
- **Takeo Horiguchi** is associate professor of law the Hokkaido University Graduate School of Law, Japan who specializes in international environmental law. Whilst at the Centre, he will be researching functions of the precautionary principle and the precautionary approach in international law to the field of sustainable development.
- **Annemarieke Vermeer-Künzli** is a PhD fellow at Leiden University, The Netherlands. Whilst at LCIL, Annemarieke will be researching the relationship between the invocation of responsibility under diplomatic protection and invocation under the articles of state responsibility. Her PhD is being supervised by former LCIL Director, Professor John Dugard.
- **Roland Portmann** is a PhD candidate at the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland and is working on the topic of subjectivity in international law.
- **Tomoyuki Yuyama** is associate professor of law at Kagawa University, Japan. He is researching the application of the ILC's draft articles on state responsibility in practice and jurisprudence whilst at the Centre.

► **Alumni News** LCIL is keen to maintain links with past staff and visiting fellows and over the next few months will be looking into how best to achieve this. In the meantime, I can report as follows:

- Former Visiting Fellow **James Bergeron** was deployed from August to September 2006 with the U.S. European Command's Joint Task Force Lebanon as Political Advisor (and LEGAD) on board the USS Whitney off the coast of Lebanon just after the cessation of hostilities between Hezbollah and the Israeli Defence Forces.
- Congratulations to former Visiting Fellow **John Martin Gilroy**, Lehigh University, United States, on the publication of "Adjudication Norms, Dispute Settlement Regimes and International Tribunals: The Status of 'Environmental Sustainability' in International Jurisprudence, 42 *Stanford Journal of International Law* (2006).
- Congratulations to recent Visiting Fellow **Niaz Shah** on his appointment to a lectureship in the School of Law at the University of Hull where he will be teaching international human rights law.

Charlotte Ku
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If you have any Centre-related news you would like others to hear about, do let us have it via admin@rcil.cam.ac.uk.