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OUR GOALS

- Bringing together 600 700 delegates
- Offering specialist, multi-discipline training with a comprehensive academic program given by legal professionals and outside speakers
- Covering five days, the congress provides an international exchange platform to help you build an effective and friendly professional network
- More than 40 hours of professional training

WORKING METHODS

Numerous hot legal or practical topics covered:

- 10 working sessions, each 3 hours, for an indepth study with panels and/or mock-cases run by a mix of lawyers or legal professionals
- 6 workshops, each of 90 minutes to explore and debate specialist topics
- Voice of the Profession session focusing on the role and situation of young lawyers and corporate social responsibility
- Pre-congress seminar on Marine insurance: covering the vessel's life from cradle to grave
- Professional executive coach sessions

WORK COORDINATORS

Ferenc Ballegeer (Belgium) Henna Kinnunen (Finland) William Healing (UK)

WHO IS THE CONGRESS

DESIGNED FOR? Young lawyers and in-house counsel

'YOUNG LAWYERS'

From the professional starting his/her career to partner or general counsel under the age of 45. Average age 35.

WHAT IS AIJA?

Key data:

- 4.000 members
- Present in 85 countries
- Law firms of all sizes and cultures
- More than 50 collective members
- 18 scientific commissions
- More than 20 events every year



THE 20 AIJA SCIENTIFIC COMMISSIONS:

- Antitrust
- Banking, Finance and Capital Markets Law
- Commercial Fraud
- Corporate Acquisition & Joint Ventures
- Corporate Counsel
- Distribution Law
- Environmental and Energy Law
- European Law
- Insolvency Law
- Intellectual property, Technology, Media and Telecom
- International Arbitration
- International Business Law (IBLC) and its sub-commission Sports Law
- Labour Law and its sub-commission
 Immigration
- Litigation
- Private Clients

- Real Estate Law
- Skills, Career, Innovation, Leadership and Learning (SCILL)
- Tax Law (TLC)
- Transport Law

The age limit of 45 ensures the eternal youth of our association. Combine this with the 3-year maximum appointment policy for leaders of AIJA's commissions (in charge of the organization of the scientific work), committees (in charge of the management of the association), and national representatives, and you will find an association that remains dynamic and revitalized, and carves a path for lawyers and in-house counsel from around the world to make a career within a very successful international organization.





Keep Calm and... Register!

Dear Colleagues, Dear Friends,



"Why, Sir, you find no man, at all intellectual, who is willing to leave London. No, Sir, when a man is tired of London, he is tired of life; for there is in London all that life can afford."

With these wise words of Samuel Johnson, a famous English writer of the 18th century, I would like to welcome you to AIJA's major annual event, the 53rd AIJA Congress in London. The Congress will take place between the 1st and 5th September.

The AIJA Congress is the annual highlight of our young and dynamic international organisation. Hundreds of young lawyers from every corner of the globe gather to share and develop their academic knowledge, participate in excellent networking opportunities (e.g. the speed networking session) and enjoy the top social program, including the home hospitality, for which AIJA is so famous.

The enthusiastic members of the Organising Committee will make sure that this Congress will be unforgettable. They couldn't guarantee that I will jump out of a helicopter with Her Majesty during the opening ceremony, but I am sure the historic venues that are foreseen for both the opening ceremony and the gala dinner will be unique.

Our fantastic team of Work Coordinators, consisting of Henna Kinnunen, Ferenc Ballegeer and William Healing, are making sure that the good quality of the scientific program is maintained. Through a variety of working sessions and workshops every participant will find something to his liking. Traditionally there will again be an optional pre-Congress seminar, skills training and a free private session with a professional career development coach for every participant.

As the Congress venue will be in the middle of the City, just next to St Paul's Cathedral, it will also be easy to discover the city or to do some excellent shopping during your spare time.

Finally we count on YOU, members and first timers, to make this Congress a big success, and spread the word, because ... WE are AIJA!

See you in London ... and bring some young lawyer friends to share the unique AIJA spirit.

Dirk NUYTS AIJA President

Welcome address from the Organising Committee



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AIJA Congress London 1-5 September 2015

It is a pleasure to invite you to London for the 53rd annual AIJA Congress. A unique networking experience awaits you. The congress was last hosted in London in 1991 and it means so much to us to welcome AIJA back to our home city. London is of course a leading global city whether rated on its status as a centre of finance, the arts, entertainment, fashion, or legal and professional services. It is the world's most-visited city with four World Heritage sites and in 2012 became the first city to host the modern Summer Olympic Games for the third time.

2015 marks the 800th anniversary of the signing of the Magna Carta, the foundation stone for the modern rule of law as well as English constitutional law. This great charter, regarded as the cornerstone of liberty in the English-speaking world, has been adopted by numerous jurisdictions ever since.

AIJA will acknowledge this anniversary with its own unique combination of learning, interaction, fellowship and friendship. With the event priced to attract a large number of delegates, this will be a huge spectacle as we combine all of the best things that London and AIJA have to offer over five extraordinary days.

Our congress hotel, The Grange St Paul's is a top-class venue. With five-star services, swimming pool, spa and rooftop bar overlooking St Paul's Cathedral and the City, all that London has to offer will be on our doorstep. The opening ceremony will take place amidst the grandeur of the London's medieval Guildhall. The day out will take place at Kempton Park horse races and the gala dinner... well let's just say "we are expecting you".

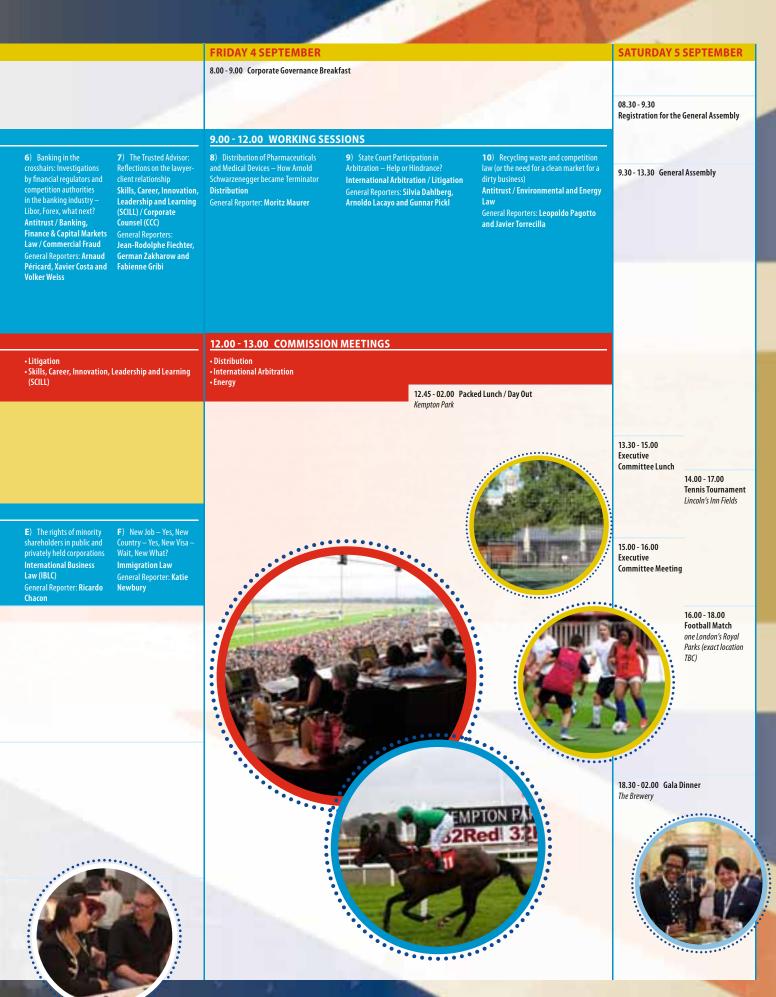
We look forward to welcoming you and providing an unforgettable London experience! On behalf of the Organising Committee.

Paola Fudakowska and Mark Beardsworth



Programme overview 2015

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AIJA for beginners

Joining an event for the first time is not always easy: but at AIJA, this is different! Informal and easy networking for everyone. While some names and elements of the congress schedule are self-explanatory, some other key functions and elements of the association deserve a bit of explanation.

Speed dating

Glossary

Professional introductions. The best way to get to know all Congress attendees at once.

First timers' lunch

Is this your first AIJA Congress? Don't miss the First Timers' lunch: a unique opportunity to understand how AIJA functions and get to meet your fellow newbies.

Opening ceremony

'THE' formal ceremony of the Congress. The function where the AIJA President and local VIPs officially kick off the event. Not to be missed!

Home hospitality

Definitely one of the highlights of any AIJA Congress. Local lawyers open the doors of their houses and kitchens to share with attendees a special dinner in a friendly atmosphere.

Human Rights Committee

The Human Rights committee is involved in several projects for the protection of the rule of law and the right of every lawyer to practise their profession freely. Join the Human Rights Committee meeting to find out more, or the run for human rights at the congress to make your personal contribution.

Voice of the Profession (VOP)

A high-level session organised by the Human Rights Committee, held just before the Opening Ceremony. This session is open to all attendees and deserves special attention!



What is behind so many meetings and acronyms?

All Congress participants are welcome to participate in the meetings of the various bodies described below.

Commissions

AIJA's scientific work (working sessions and workshops at Annual Congresses, May and November Conference seminars, standalone seminars, law courses, etc.) is organized through the Commissions of AIJA. Like practice groups and teams in a law firm, Commissions address a specific field of law.

Forum of the Commissions (FOC)

The Forum of the Commissions has the overall responsibility of coordinating the activities of the Commissions and, through them, the substantive work of AIJA.

Membership Forum

The Membership Forum is the management committee of AIJA responsible for membership retention and recruitment activities. The Membership Forum is the meeting place for AIJA local ambassadors: National and Regional Representatives as well as Contact Persons.

Law Course Committee (LCC)

The LCC is responsible for AIJA's events program. At its meetings, the upcoming seminars and other events are discussed and coordinated by the members involved in the events planning. These meetings are particularly helpful for AIJA members interested in organizing a future event.

General Assembly

The General Assembly is the legislative body of AIJA. All voting and non-voting members of AIJA are invited to join the ordinary meetings of the General Assembly which are held each year at the Annual Congress.

Executive Committee (EC)

The Executive Committee assists the Extended Bureau in the management of AIJA, in particular in promoting the objectives of AIJA and the Strategic Plan. The Executive Committee, formed by 48 individual AIJA members elected by the General Assembly, is also responsible for approving applications for membership in AIJA.

The **Executive Committee lunch** is open to all Congress attendees who want to network with AIJA members in key positions within the association.

Finance forum

The platform where all members are invited to share their views, brainstorm and discuss matters of financial interest for the Association.

Strategy forum

Where is AIJA going? What is the association's long-term vision? Members interested in answering these questions should definitely attend the Strategy Forum meeting!

Corporate governance forum

This forum discusses the mechanisms, processes and relations by which our Association is controlled. Let's share views on how to pursue the goals in the most fair and efficient way.

Pre-congress Seminar

1 September 201

Marine insurance: covering the vessel's life from cradle to grave

The Transport Law Commission is delighted to invite you to this year's precongress seminar in the magnificent city of London on Tuesday, 1 September 2015.

When London was chosen as the venue for the 53rd annual congress of AIJA on 2-5 September 2015, we could not find a better opportunity to organize a marine insurance seminar. As home to Lloyd's and the headquarters of many P&I insurers as well as prominent marine insurance brokers and others in the marine insurance industry, London is a centre for marine insurance like no other city on the planet.

Under the title "Marine insurance: covering the vessel's life from cradle to grave" we will explore key aspects and current developments within marine insurance from the very beginning of a marine insurance contract (duties of disclosure and terms of marine insurance), during its life (the potential for direct actions and dealing with major casualties) and to its ending (salvage, wreck removal and dismantling of vessels).

Programme

- 08.30 Registration
- 09.00 Opening speeches The President of AIJA: Dirk Nuyts, Fragomen, Zürich The President of AIJA's Transport Law Commission: Niels Jørn Friborg, Hafnia Law Firm, Copenhagen
- 09.15 Session 1 Key note speeches
 - Moderator: Niels Jørn Friborg, Hafnia Law Firm, Copenhagen 1 Former Law Commissioner David Hertzell, BLM, London: The English Insurance Act 2015.
 - 2 Managing Director John Lucas, CLP Insurance, London: Marine insurance broking in the London market.
- 10.15 Coffee break
- 10.30 Session 2 Beginnings I (duty of disclosure)
 - Moderator: Scott Pilkington, Holman Fenwick Willan, Singapore Joy Thattil, Callidus Legal, Mumbai: The concept of "uberrimae fidei" – An Indian overview.
 - 4 Sarah Allan, Bentleys, Stokes and Lowless, London: The new duty of disclosure and remedies under the Insurance Act 2015 – "Fair Presentation of the Risk".
 - 5 Dr Marco Remiorz, Dabelstein & Passehl, Hamburg: Duty of disclosure under German law.
- 11.30 Coffee break
- 11.45 Session 3 Beginnings II (terms of insurance)
 - Moderator: Ulla Von Weissenberg, Borenius, Helsinki 6 Kirsty MacHardy, Campbell Johnston Clark, London: International Hull Clauses.
 - 7 Dr Tobias Eckardt, Ahlers & Vogel, Leer: DTV-ADS 2009.
 - 8 Christian Bjørtuft Ellingsen, Simonsen VogtWiig, Oslo: Nordic Plan 2013.

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12.45 Lunch
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We are proud to present former Law Commissioner David Hertzell and a director of prominent marine insurance brokers as keynote speakers, who will open the seminar with insights into the new English Insurance Act and marine insurance broking in the London market, and to have an array of expert practitioners of marine insurance law from a great number of jurisdictions as speakers.

The seminar will be take place at Grange St. Paul's Hotel, which is also the venue of the annual congress, and will be followed by an enjoyable optional dinner in a spectacular maritime setting on the HMS Belfast.

By joining us for this seminar, you will not only enhance your knowledge and understanding of marine insurance and be able to obtain CLE credits in several jurisdictions, you will have the chance to meet and network with fellow practising or inhouse lawyers from around the globe.

The members of the organising committee look forward to welcoming you to London!

- 14.00 Session 4 Life I (direct actions)
 - Moderator: F. Javier Zabala, Meana Green Maura, Bilbao
 Claire Messer, Hill Dickinson, London: Direct actions under English law.
 - 10 Sébastien Lootgieter, SCP Villeneau Rohart Simon & Associés, Paris: Direct actions under French law.
 - 11 David Diez Ramos, Rogers & Co., Madrid: Direct actions under Spanish law.
- 15.00 Coffee break
- 15.15 Session 5 Life II (major casualties)

Moderator: Dr Giovanna Montanaro, Schellenberg Wittmer, Zürich

- 12 Jeremy A. Herschaft, Blank Rome, Houston: Marine insurance issues in the wake of a major casualty – General principles and observations.
- 13 Filippo Pellerano, Studio Legale Mordiglia, Genova: The handling of major maritime casualties – Challenges for the lawyer appointed by marine insurers.
- 14 Remy Francisco Carreira-Franceschi, Carreira Pitti, Panama City: General average: what are the rights and obligations of the marine insurer?
- 16.15 Coffee break
- 16.30 Session 6 Endings

Moderator: Johannes Grove Nielsen, Bech-Bruun, Copenhagen 15 Nick Barber, Stephenson Harwood, London: The interplay between H&M and P&I cover with regard to salvage and wreck removal after a major casualty.

- 16 Elias Frem Bestani, Marval, O'Farrell & Mairal, Buenos Aires: Marine insurance issues in respect of salvage and wreck removal in Argentina.
- 17 Jennifer Hoovers, Van Steenderen MainportLawyers, Rotterdam: "End of Life" – The Dutch perspective.
- 20.30 Dinner on HMS Belfast

Pre-congress Seminar

Marine insurance: covering the vessel's life from cradle to grave

ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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Welcome address work coordinators

Scientific programme

We are already well advanced...

... with the London Congress programme thanks to the very enthusiastic commission responses for London. Please see across the page.

The commissions want to bring you big themes, often with a London connection - for instance "Banking in the Cross-hairs", and "Art Law", "Forum Shopping in Insolvency" to name just a few.

Many commissions want to offer joint working sessions - so collaboration is a big trend. Lots of you are being interdisciplinary! We, as work coordinators, will do our best to ensure that your experience at the London Congress will be professionally as rewarding as possible. To do that we will work actively with the commissions, but also with the London Organising Committee.

We look forward to working with all our AIJA commissions, to bring you an exciting programme. We are confident that at the London Congress you will gain plenty of new ideas and know-how for your practice as well as get familiar with the latest trends in the industry. What could be a better place to do that, than in London?

We are your friendly co-ordinators, here to get a great programme ready for you on time.

See you in London for a great congress!

Ferenc Ballegeer - Henna Kinnunen - William Healing







Tuesday 1 September 2015

9.00 - 17.30 **PRE-CONGRESS SEMINAR**

> Marine insurance: covering the vessel's life from cradle to grave

For the full program, see page 9 and 10

COMMISSION: Transport

MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE: Niels Jørn Friborg, F. Javier Zabala, Scott Pilkington, Marco Lenti and Dr Marco Remioz

Wednesday 2 September 2015

8.00 - 18.30	REGISTRATION
8.00 - 9.00	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
9.00 - 12.00	WORKING SESSION 1 How to protect the employer's interests after the termination of employment contracts? Aspects of labour law in general and sports law in particular When signing employment contracts, employers and

employees usually do not think about the problems that may arise at the end of such cooperations. However, it is our task as their advising lawyers to protect our client's interests after the termination of such contracts. We will therefore analyze several means to protect these interests of employers in general, such as restrictive covenants and garden leave - before having a look into the world of sports to see how it deals with similar problems. Sports associations have the tendency to set their own rules (such as the transfer fee system), claiming that the regular laws are not suitable for employment relationships in sports. We will investigate whether the general principles of labour law can survive in this environment.

COMMISSIONS: Labour Law / Sports Law GENERAL REPORTERS: Stephan Dittl and Hans Georg Laimer

9.00 - 12.00 **WORKING SESSION 2**

Anti-bribery & corruption: the fight goes global

The investigation and enforcement of anti-bribery laws is no longer the preserve of a few countries. More and more countries across the globe are implementing aggressive – often extra territorial - criminal legislation and financial regulations and are actively investigating suspected offences by both individuals and companies. In addition, cross-border cooperation and mutual legal assistance between prosecutors and other authorities is now the norm. Via a panel discussion format involving lawyers and forensic accountants, this session will explore how the law

and practice in this area is evolving across various jurisdictions, and what practitioners need to know to stay ahead of the curve. Kindly sponsored by 2 Hare Court. COMMISSION: Commercial Fraud GENERAL REPORTERS: Aaron Stephens and Lina Mroueh



Scientific programme

9.00 - 12.00 WORKING SESSION 3

Income tax for professional athletes' – a cross border story

Frequently, athletes / artists' income is arranged in a certain manner for the purpose of tax efficiency. Such arrangements may involve performing the activity under the name of a company owned by the athlete / artist or performing the activity as an employee. The fees for athletes / artists' performances often consist of several components. Athletes regularly receive signing bonuses before any performance is completed, followed by rewards when performance has been completed and incentive bonuses following successful execution. Moreover, athletes /artists regularly have endorsement income in connection with sports or arts events. Finally, athletes and artists may also have income for their image rights. The WS 'Income tax for professional athletes and artists – a cross border story' aims to compare the tax treatment of the fees connected to international athletes / artists' performances in different jurisdictions.

COMMISSION: Tax Law

GENERAL REPORTERS: Pablo Pedrajas and Johan Myren

10.00 - 12.40 WORKING SESSION 4

The National Gallery Trafalgar Square, London WC2N 5DN The Art of Dealing with Art The Private Client Commission's focus this year will be

cultural property and the art market, which has grown at an extraordinarily fast pace in recent years. This growing market has led to a growing need for legal advice. The Private Client session will consider the issues which arise in connection with the ownership and acquisition of artworks (including cultural heritage schemes and the recovery of stolen art), as well as succession planning. The session will take place in a fantastic setting: the National Gallery in Trafalgar Square, which houses one of the greatest collections of paintings in the world. The session will feature experts with a diverse range of experience in the field of art and antiquities, and will offer unique and exciting opportunities for discussion.

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GENERAL REPORTERS: Annabel Spearman and Fabienne Gribi

12.00 - 13.00 COMMISSION MEETINGS

Labour Law with sub-commission Immigration Corporate Counsel Tax Law Commercial Fraud Transport Law

13.00 - 14.30 LUNCH FOR DELEGATES

13.00 - 14.30 FIRST TIMERS' LUNCH

If this is your first visit to the AIJA Congress, this makes you a first timer, even if you have participated in AIJA seminars or conferences previously. The purpose of the first timers' lunch is twofold: (i) to explain AIJA from the inside and provide some useful tips on how to best get progressively involved in the life of the association, and (ii) to give first timers the opportunity to take an interest in the activities of the scientific commissions by directly engaging with their leaders. First timers and new members are most welcome to attend commission meetings (in charge of the organization of the scientific work) and committee meetings (in charge of the management of the association), in addition to the working sessions and workshops which take place during the congress.

14.30 - 16.00 WORKSHOP A

Denying cover as a marine insurer: plain sailing or dead in the water?

Traditionally, marine insurance may cover a broad range of

perils, damage and losses related to ships and watercraft sailing on the high seas or inland waterways, and the cargoes they carry.

For vessel owners and charterers, marine insurance covers risks, which allows them to avoid losses and run their business with the certainty that their exposure to the risks insured is covered. However, marine insurance is not meant to cover all risks, and there are obligations the insured party must fulfil to be able to make a claim. Accordingly, express or implied warranties or other terms limit the scope of exposure for marine insurers, and a breach of these may allow the insurers to escape liability. The workshop will focus on H&M and P&I insurers' grounds for denying coverage in the event of a breach of an express or implied warranty in the policy or other objectionable conduct by the insured party.

COMMISSION: Transport Law

GENERAL REPORTERS: F. Javier Zabala, Scott Pilkington, Christian Bjørtuft Ellingsen and Niels Jørn Friborg

14.30 - 16.00 WORKSHOP B

Oh, the Places You'll Go! Forum Shopping in Insolvency Proceedings

This interactive workshop will examine the factors to be considered when determining whether and where a corporation should file insolvency proceedings, including a frank discussion on whether it is possible to indeed "forum shop" when it comes to insolvency. We will also examine the likelihood of being able to commence secondary insolvency proceedings in jurisdictions other than where the main insolvency was filed. Lastly, we will also discuss whether there can be any consequences, if a court determines that a debtor improperly filed insolvency proceedings in a particular location where it did not do business or have assets. In addition to a brief presentation by a well-known insolvency proceeding can and should be commenced.

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GENERAL REPORTERS: Stephanie Traband and Giuseppe Scotti

14.30 - 16.00 WORKSHOP C

Hotel and Real Estate Projects for the Next Generation

In general, new hotel projects nowadays profoundly change the daily life and the face of a city. Suddenly, the city as a whole is upgraded to a new stage of growth and status of prosperity, often combined with spectacular next generation urban architecture style. For the Annual Congress 2015 in London, the Real Estate Commission is planning to prepare a Workshop with the hot topic "Hotel Projects for the next generation: What are the key factors for foreign investors in order to ensure a successful hotel business?". Our aim is to compare and share views from different jurisdictions with regard to transactions types, market situation, legal and common hotel business structures and, last but not least, we would like to discuss the effects of the financial crisis in this context.

COMMISSION: Real Estate

GENERAL REPORTERS: Roberto Viscomi et Nils Döhler

14.30 - 16.00 ABA SIL SESSION

The Predominant Role of the U.S. Legal Culture in the European M&A and Commercial World. A Jolly Good Development?

Past surveys have shown that until a few years ago, cultural barriers were a priority concern for companies entering foreign markets. These concerns have decreased over the years in part due to globalization and the predominant role of U.S.-style agreements in European M&A transactions and commercial transactions. There has been some backlash, however, from various international bar associations. For example, the French and German Bar Associations are making a joint effort to convey the advan-



tages of European continental law in international commercial agreements. Simultaneously, the English language continues to play a predominant role in the international M&A and commercial world to the point where negotiations in a foreign language are often peppered with English concepts, often leading to misunderstandings. The panel will examine if – and if so, to what extent – foreign legal concepts can and should regain a dominant foothold in the cross-border M&A and commercial scene in Europe.

16.00 – 17.00 COMMISSION MEETINGS

Intellectual Property, Technology, Media and Telecom Insolvency Real Estate Private Clients International Business Law (with subcommission Sports Law)

17.30 – 18.30 VOICE OF THE PROFESSION SESSION Venue: Guildhall

The Human Rights Committee invites you to attend and participate in a session addressing free access to information and freedom of expression.

In order to participate in political transition processes or to sustainably address the basic economic and social issues faced by their countries, people need to have free access to information and freedom of expression. However those rights and freedoms are regularly at stake and often violated.

We will discuss what can be done and is done by lawyers to address the national legislative limits to freedoms of opinion, expression and press and the incompatibility of national and international standards, as well as the criminalization of misuse of the freedom of expression and the impunity of those who threaten and carry out attacks against human rights defenders and journalists.

Thursday 3 September 2015

- 8.00 18.30 REGISTRATION
- 8.00 RUNNING FOR HUMAN RIGHTS JOIN US FOR A MORNING JOG

8.00 – 9.00 STRATEGY FORUM BREAKFAST

9.00 – 12.00 WORKING SESSION 5

The Pursuit of the Company's Interests over the Life of a Company

The expectation of the owners, other stakeholders (employees, creditors, etc.) and the public change throughout a company's life cycle. As a consequence, the pursuit of the company's interests raises different issues and considerations at different points in time (e.g., taking on board equity investors at an early stage, "considering" employees in an IPO process, liaising with financing resources, responding to (defending against) tender offers once public).

COMMISSION: Corporate Acquisition & Joint Ventures GENERAL REPORTERS: Christian Leuenberger and Pablo Vinageras

9.00 – 12.00 WORKING SESSION 6

Banking in the crosshairs: Investigations by financial regulators and competition authorities in the banking industry – Libor, Forex, what next? Since 2012 the banking industry has been under unprec-

edented scrutiny by financial surveillance authorities, as well as competition authorities with regards to their business behavior. Numerous authorities around the world have investigated allegations in the context of Libor setting, Forex transactions, etc. in order to assess possible wrongdoing. The session will explore the current status of these investigations and follow-on civil actions, as well as the impact on the business of the banking industry. *Kindly sponsored by Berkeley Research Group.*

COMMISSIONS: Antitrust / Banking, Finance & Capital Markets Law / Commercial Fraud

GENERAL REPORTERS: Arnaud Péricard, Xavier Costa and Volker Weiss

9.00 - 12.00 WORKING SESSION 7 The Trusted Advisor: Reflections on the lawyer-

client relationship

Whether you are working as an attorney or in-house counsel, you want to be perceived by your clients and peers as a trusted advisor. You want to deliver excellent work, anticipate your client's real needs, succeed and build an authentic, long-lasting relationship. What are the most important ingredients? What do others do better than you to get there? In an interactive moderated programme directed at both experienced and young lawyers, we will explore the path to becoming a trusted advisor. With the contributions of exceptionally talented speakers from multiple jurisdictions, we will enhance our client-relationship building skills and explore strategies for how we can develop and manage domestic and international cases in an outstanding way while at the same time learning how to set and meet high standards of trustworthiness and integrity.

COMMISSIONS: Skills, Career, Innovation, Leadership and Learning (SCILL) / Corporate Counsel (CCC)

GENERAL REPORTERS: Jean-Rodolphe Fiechter, German Zakharow and Fabienne Gribi

12.00 – 13.00 COMMISSION MEETINGS

Corporate Acquisition & Joint Ventures Antitrust Banking, Finance & Capital Markets Law Litigation SCILL

13.00 - 14.30 LUNCH

13.00 – 14.00 MEMBERSHIP FORUM LUNCH

14.30 - 16.00 WORKSHOP D

Protection of individuals' personality rights and the media

Protection of individual personality rights in the media affects all of us not only as lawyers but also as individuals. In this workshop we will discuss the right to be informed, privacy rights, and the "hot" new right to be forgotten. Who is not curious to know more about the right to be forgotten which promises to be crucial in the internet media economy? What is the interplay between data protection rules and privacy rights? Which remedies are available and what law is applicable? We will not only focus on the European Court of Justice in Google Spain v. AEPD and Gonzalez, and its consequences both in market practice and in EU member states' case law, but also consider these rights in a global perspective.

COMMISSION: Intellectual Property, Technology, Media and Telecom GENERAL REPORTERS: Cristina Hernandez-Marti and Jérôme Debras

14.30 - 16.00 WORKSHOP E

The rights of minority shareholders in public and privately held corporations

Having a global perspective on rights of minority shareholders in public and privately held corporations is an essential tool for understanding the need for changes in rules and attitudes to allow greater powers for the aforementioned minority, in manners that increase their ability to defend themselves against expropriation – such as misuse of assets,



reallocation of profits, transfer pricing, etc. – in the wake of world corporate governance turbulence.

Real activism of minority shareholders aiming to have the opportunity to challenge the status quo seems to be one of the best vehicles to safeguard their rights. On the other hand, such activism should not have as a consequence going from one extreme to another, paradoxically converting minority protection into minority control, affecting investors and the market. The ideal would be the "harmonization of rights" of all shareholders.

COMMISSION: International Business Law (IBLC) GENERAL REPORTER: Ricardo Chacon

14.30 - 16.00 WORKSHOP F

New Job – Yes, New Country – Yes, New Visa – Wait, New What?

This year's Immigration Law sub-commission will focus on the immigration issues employers face dealing with an increasingly mobile and globalised workforce. We will consider the balance jurisdictions are trying to strike between seeking to attract the best international talent and addressing the concerns of their resident workforce about the threats, perceived or real, to local jobs. In striking this balance, Governments are subject to the pressure of their voters, of international organisations who wish to move their staff as freely as possible and to the needs of their economies. The Immigration law session will consider how employers in different jurisdictions can move staff around, remembering that as well as facilitating global business, relocation can be an incredibly stressful and difficult experience for the moving employees and, of course, their families. COMMISSION: Immigration Law

GENERAL REPORTER: Katie Newbury

16.00 – 18.00 JOINT SESSION OF THE LAW COURSE COMMITTEE AND THE FORUM OF THE COMMISSIONS

18.00 - 19.00 HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

18.00 - 19.00 FINANCE FORUM

Friday 4 September 2015

8.00 - 9.00 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE BREAKFAST

9.00 - 12.00 WORKING SESSION 8

Distribution of Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices – How Arnold Schwarzenegger became Terminator

Medical devices and pharmaceuticals are essential to both the individual's health and the legal world. For life sciences lawyers it is hard to keep track of the variety of applicable laws, regulations and industrial standards. In this context, "Distribution of Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices" will offer insight into the various legal issues related to the distribution of hip implants and pain killers, for a start... COMMISSION: Distribution

GENERAL REPORTER: Moritz Maurer

9.00 - 12.00 WORKING SESSION 9 State Court Participation in Arbitration - Help or Hindrance?

International commercial arbitration: Some would say it's the savvy litigant's escape from slow, traditional, antiquated, overlyformalistic and, in some instances, partial, or even corrupt, national court systems. State courts are best avoided in international trade and business; we don't need them anymore. As with most things, the truth is not that simple. Arbitral tribunals, irrespective of their seats and the arbitration institution standing behind them, lack the competence and power to preserve the full spectrum of a party's rights in commercial disputes. Procedural aspects of commercial disputes are as diverse as their subject matter and, as the case may be, may require the participation of state courts before or during arbitration. This Working Sesssion addresses a selection of highly interesting topics, where arbitral proceedings and state court proceedings – for better or for worse – co-exist and form part of the broader global dispute resolution system. This Working Sesssion which focuses on the pre-arbitral and arbitration phases, will help practitioners identify possible risks in international arbitrations and will also highlight certain tools and instruments in various jurisdictions that may help a party win its case.

Kindly sponsored by Fountain Court and Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan. COMMISSIONS: International Arbitration / Litigation GENERAL REPORTERS: Silvia Dahlberg, Arnoldo Lacayo and Gunnar Pickl

9.00 - 12.00 WORKING SESSION 10

Recycling waste and competition law (or the need for a clean market for a dirty business) The identification of the goals of the antitrust policy has

afflicted policy makers for more than one hundred years. Initially conceived to protect farmers against the abuse of the trusts in the United States, its goals evolved from time to time, from place to place. The rising concerns about environmental issues have led several governments, under pressure by public opinion, to take effective measures to fight deforestation, global warming, toxic waste and other hazards to the balance of the eco-systems. The Working Session will discuss how the recent cases in different jurisdictions reflect the concerns of the global civil society with environmental issues, with particular attention to antitrust issues in the waste management sector. COMMISSIONS: Antitrust / Environmental and Energy Law GENERAL REPORTERS: Leopoldo Pagotto and Javier Torrecilla

12.00 – 13.00 COMMISSION MEETINGS Distribution International Arbitration Energy

Saturday 5 September 2015

 8.30 - 9.30
 REGISTRATION FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY

 9.30 - 13.30
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

 13.30 - 15.00
 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE LUNCH

 15.00 - 16.00
 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING













Social programme

Tuesday 1 September 2015

18.30 - 19.30 SPEED DATING Venue: Grange St. Pauls Hotel



The "speed dating" event is an excellent opportunity for "first-timers" to make professional contacts at the very beginning of the Congress, as well as for regulars to learn new things about their old acquaintances and have a chance to make new AIJA friends. You will have 4 minutes (2 minutes each for you and your partner) to introduce yourself and your company to the person in front of you. After this time one of you will have to move to another table. A facilitator will keep an eye on the time and help you observe the rules.

» DRESS CODE: Smart casual.

19.30 - 21.30 WELCOME RECEPTION

Venue: Grange St. Pauls Hotel



Let us gather to a welcome reception in the amazing Grange St. Pauls Hotel. The perfect start of the Congress! DRESS CODE: Smart casual.

Wednesday 2 September 2015

17.30 – 18.30 VOICE OF THE PROFESSION SESSION Venue: The Guildhall



AIJA Congresses do not only feature an outstanding scientific and social program. The Voice of the Profession (VOP) Session, taking place right before the Opening Ceremony, will also this year attract many VIP's and interested young lawyers wanting to know more about the development of their profession in the 21st century. » DRESS CODE: Business suit.

19.30 - 20.30 OPENING CEREMONY

Venue: The Guildhall Join AIJA for the traditional Opening Ceremony. The most 'official' moment of AIJA Annual Congresses! Kindly sponsored by Millnet. » DRESS CODE: Business suit.

20.30 - 02.00 DRINKS AND CANAPES Venue: The Guildhall



The present Guildhall was built between 1411 and 1430, although evidence suggests that a civic hall has stood here since the late 13th century. Local government developed here and its pattern has served as a model for many cities and towns.

The crypt, porch and medieval walls have twice emerged unscathed from disastrous fires. In 1666 Guildhall was caught up in the Great Fire of London and in 1940 monuments, windows and galleries were damaged and the famous statues of Gog and Magog destroyed in a single night of the Blitz. Guildhall was restored in 1954.

» DRESS CODE: Business suit.



Thursday 3 September 2015

20.00

HOME HOSPITALITY DINNER



On Thursday evening, local lawyers will open their homes to AIJA delegates for the most charming aspect of any congress – the traditional home hospitality dinner. After dinner, the Organising committee will take care of those who wish to extend the night.

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- » DRESS CODE: Smart casual unless otherwise indicated by your local host.
- » NOTE: You will each individually receive the name of your host and the other guests, as well as instructions on how to get to the host's home. Should you not be able to attend please the organisers know as soon as possible! Please remember to bring a small gift to your host, which is often in the form of a souvenir from your country. Don't forget that most of the hosts are not AIJA members and have never attended AIJA events before.

Friday 4 September 2015

12.45 - 02.00 DAY OUT

Venue: Kempton Park



The first ever race held at Kempton Park took place on the 18th July 1878. The Park had been bought by Henry Hyde six years earlier, who went on to fulfil his ambition of building a racecourse on the site. The current grandstand was completed in 1997 after some redevelopment

work. The racecourse was closed in May 2005 for the construction of the allweather floodlit course which was completed eleven months later. The rest, as they say... is history...

Where could we hold the traditional day out if not at the races, the most traditional British venue for leisure time?

Let's have a tea together while betting with friends! we will also celebrate with the traditional English game of Quidditch (broomsticks will be provided) together with a summer fayre theme. The day out will be rounded off with guest passes to Europe's best nightclub – The Ministry of Sound". *Kindly sponsored by Transperfect.*

 DRESS CODE: Relaxed and comfortable. Sport shoes and light jacket for the evening.

Saturday 5 September 2015

14.00 - 17.00 TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Venue: Lincoln's Inn Fields

In a break with AIJA Annual Congress tradition and to add a flavour of Britishness to the afternoon, a friendly tennis tournament is being arranged. Tennis players of all levels are welcome. Non-tennis playing spectators are also most welcome to come along, cheer on the players and enjoy some refreshments.

Kindly sponso<mark>red by Stewarts Law.</mark>

16.00 - 18.00 FOOTBALL MATCH

Venue: one London's Royal Parks (exact location TBC)



The traditional AIJA Congress football match will be held on one of the open pitches in one of London's beautiful Royal Parks. Changing room facilities will be available and refreshments will be provided to keep players energised.

18.30 - 02.00 GALA DINNER

Venue: The Brewery



The Brewery is a truly historic, Grade II listed venue occupying the buildings of Whitbread's 18th Century beer-making empire in the City of London. The Brewery is the premier conference, event and exhibition venue in the City of London, with unique rooms ranging from great halls to intimate chambers. AIJA has chosen a historical location for an evening of fine dining and great fun! No doubt – you will love the special entertainment we have organised for you.

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Congress Information

Congress Venue

Grange St. Pauls Hotel 10 Godliman Street, London, EC4V 5AJ Tel: +44 (0) 20 7074 1000

The Grange St. Paul's is a luxury 5-Star hotel, nestled beside St. Paul's Cathedral in London's bustling business district.

Its contemporary glass interior houses 433 guest bedrooms, an array of bars and restaurants, a stunning Ajala Spa, and a private Health and Fitness Club with gym and 18m swimming pool.

The hotel also has two expansive floors of meeting and events space, and a dedicated Business Centre with PC workstations, print and fax facilities for business travellers.

Popular local attractions include St. Paul's Cathedral, Tate Modern, Shakespeare's Globe, and designer shopping destination One New Change.

Registration

To register for the congress: Register online at http://london.aija.org/

Congress Registration Fees (+VAT if applicable)

REGISTRATION CATEGORY	Before 16 June	Between 17 June and 14 July	After 15 July and on site
AIJA Member < 30	£990,00	£1.340,00	£1.690,00
AIJA Member <35	£990,00	£1.540,00	£1.890,00
AIJA Member >35	£990,00	£1.740,00	£2.090,00
In-house Counsel	£990,00	£1.340,00	£1.690,00
Non Member <30	£1.140,00	£1.490,00	£1.840,00
Non Member <35	£1.390,00	£1.740,00	£2.090,00
Non Member >35	£1.640,00	£1.990,00	£2.340,00
Accompanying Guest	£340,00	£390,00	£420,00
Scientific Pass	£520,00	£560,00	£620,00
Transferable Firm Pass	£1.750,00	£2.200,00	£2.500,00

» NOTE: Lawyers from Central and Eastern Europe can register under the category "AIJA Member <30".

Pre-Congress Seminar Registration Fees – Tuesday 1 September 2015 (+VAT if applicable)

Please note that attendance at the Seminar is NOT included in the general Congress registration fees but is included in the Scientific Pass and Transferable Firm Pass. You may register for the Seminar only without registering for the Congress.

REGISTRATION CATEGORY	Before 16 June	Between 17 June and 14 July	After 15 July and on site
lf registering and paying for the full congress	£210,00	£250,00	£290,00
Pre-Congress Seminar ONLY	£250,00	£290,00	£320,00

Registration Fees Include

Congress delegate

- All working sessions and workshops
- Web-access to all scientific materials
- Speed dating
- Welcome reception
- Voice of the Profession session
- Opening Ceremony and dinner
- Lunches and coffee breaks on Wednesday/Thursday/Friday
- Home hospitality dinner
- Congress day out

Gala dinner

Accompanying guest

an accompanying guest)

- Welcome reception
- Voice of the Profession session
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- Congress day out
- Gala dinner

Scientific Pass

- All working sessions
- Web access to all scientific materials.
- Pre-congress seminar
- Lunches and coffee breaks on Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

Transferable Firm Pass

(Only one member from the firm may attend the Congress at any one time)

- All working sessions and workshops
- Web access to all scientific materials
- Pre-congress seminar
- Speed dating
- Welcome reception Voice of the Profession session
- Opening Ceremony and dinner
- Lunches and coffee breaks on Wednesday/Thursday/Friday
- Home hospitality dinner
- Congress day out
- Gala dinner

Pre-Congress Seminar

- Attendance at the pre-congress seminar
- Congress speed dating and welcome reception on Tuesday evening

Cancellation/Substitution of Registration

Any cancellation must be sent in writing to the AIJA Brussels office (office@ aija.org) by 1 July in order for fees to be refunded. A 20% administration charge will be deducted from the registration fees paid. No fees can be refunded after this date. A delegate can be substituted in writing at any time without charge.

Important Dates

16 June	Final date for early bird registration fees
1 July	Final date for cancellation of registration (with 20% administra-
	tion charge)
14 July	Final date for regular registration fees
24 August	Final date to register

Badges

Your badge must be worn at all times during the congress and social functions.

Official Languages

Working sessions and workshops will be conducted in English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

General Conditions

The organisers reserve the right to modify or cancel any event or arrangement or modify the schedule without having to provide any notice or explanation, nor incurring any liability whatsoever for any loss, damage or inconvenience caused as a result thereof. Certain events are limited to a minimum or maximum number of participants. The organisers have the right to refuse registration to such an event in application of the "first come first served" rule, or to cancel the event.

(No legal professionals may be registered as

Accommodation



AIJA has reserved a limited block of rooms with special Congress rates for the nights of 1-5 September 30 2015 inclusive. **GRANGE ST. PAULS HOTEL******* (CONGRESS VENUE)

Location

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Rates

Rates: £ 165.83 + VAT, including breakfast and WiFi. Book a room at the Grange St. Pauls Hotel using the link available on the AIJA website: www.aija.org/London.

When making your reservation, please quote the congress code **GC13620**.

To make your reservation by email, please contact: stpauls.reservations@grangehotels.com.

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General Information

Travel arrangements and entry formalities

All delegates are responsible for making their own travel arrangements and checking visa entry requirements with their local Embassy or Consulate.

Transfer and transport between the Airport and the city centre

London has five major airports: London Heathrow, London Stansted, London Gatwick, London Luton and London City. All information you need about London's airport facilities, locations and connections can be found at http://www.visitlondon.com/traveller-information/travel-to-london/ airport.

Insurance

Delegates are responsible for providing their own personal insurance. The organizers cannot be held responsible for any damage or loss.

Credit Cards

Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels, stores and restaurants.

Electric Current

The electric current in the UK is 230/415 as nominal voltage. UK plugs, also used in Ireland, are large and have three, substantial, flat prongs. They are unlike plugs used anywhere else in Europe. If you use dual voltage appliances and devices, all you will need, throughout the UK, is a simple UK Adaptor Plug.

Weather in September

September is nice and warm in London. Average temperatures: 20°C during the day and 13°C at night. A light jacket is preferred during the night time hours in London.

Tipping

Tipping in taxis, restaurants and hotels is not mandatory, but tipping for good service is appreciated, currently 10%.

Shopping Hours

Shops are usually open from 9.00 to 20.00.

Sanitary Information

No special measures must be taken for travelling to London and to the main tourist destinations in the UK.

Safety

As in any large city, it is advisable to be cautious, particularly in crowded tourist destinations.



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