
NEWS AND EVENTS

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Completion of IALS Transformation Project

The second and final phase of works on the lower floors of Charles Clore House was completed in May. This second phase consisted of new lighting on the book storage floor, the transformation of the toilets on the three lower floors, the upgrading of the Institute's Archive Storage facility, and the re-carpeting of the ground and lower ground floor lobbies. In recognition of the generous financial contribution made to the project by the Clore Duffield Foundation, the Archive Room will be named after Dame Vivien Duffield.

Artworks Installed at IALS

As part of the Transformation Project, IALS has loaned modern artworks from the university of London Collection. Ten large modern artworks have been installed in Charles Clore House to fit with the style of the Denys Lasdun designed building which was opened in 1976. Sean Scully, Claude Rogers, Jack Simcock, John Edwards and Andrew Yates are among the artists represented: see [website](#) for further details. .

Veeder-Roebuck Conference Room and the History of Arbitration Project

The IALS Conference Room is to be renamed the Veeder-Roebuck Conference Room in honour of contributions to the Institute by the late Professor Derek Roebuck and Mr Johnny Veeder QC.

Professor Derek Roebuck's association at IALS stretched back fifty years. A Senior Associate Research Fellow at IALS, his landmark twenty-year investigation into the history of arbitration was associated with and subsequently hosted at the Institute. Johnny Veeder QC, a long-time and staunch supporter of Derek Roebuck's work and one of the most eminent and influential members of the arbitral community, was instrumental in fundraising for the completion of the 18th-century volume, *English Arbitration and Mediation in the Long Eighteenth Century*, co-authored by Dr Francis Calvert Boorman and Dr Rhiannon Markless. Both Derek Roebuck and Johnny Veeder died in 2020 and the history of arbitration project continues in their memory. The University of London Development Office embarked upon a highly

successful fundraising campaign to continue the project with a volume dedicated to the 19th century, and Dr Francis Boorman has started work on it. The generous response thus far from the legal community is a tribute to the high regard in which Mr Veeder and Professor Roebuck are held. The project, and the naming of the conference room, will provide a fitting and lasting tribute to them.

Georg Schwarzenberger Prize

The Georg Schwarzenberger Prize was created as a memorial to the former Emeritus Professor of International Law at the university following donations from friends and family. It is awarded annually by the Director of IALS to a student in the university considered to be outstanding in the field of public international law. Each of the university's law schools nominates a candidate and both undergraduates and postgraduates are eligible.

The 2021 prize was awarded to Rebecca Hacker. Rebecca completed an LLM at the LSE specializing in public international law in 2020 and achieved distinctions in all of her courses. In her dissertation, Rebecca examined whether—and on what basis—nationality deprivation should be recognized as a form of persecution for the purpose of the 1951 Refugee Convention. During her LLM, Rebecca also wrote a

major research essay on the case for indigenous self-determination for the stateless Bidoon of Kuwait.

IALS Library

The summer opening hours are Monday to Thursday 9am to 8pm, Fridays 9am to 5pm and Saturdays 10am to 4pm.

IALS Library Roadshows

Each year the IALS Librarians take to the road to meet MPhil and PhD students and academic staff at law schools across the UK. Whilst it is currently not possible to visit in person, IALS Library is continuing the tradition with a series of virtual roadshows instead. To organize a virtual IALS Library Roadshow at your law school, contact Alice Tyson, IALS Library's Access Librarian: at alice.tyson@sas.ac.uk.

Selected Upcoming IALS Events

2021 Online Advanced Course on Post-Legislative Scrutiny

2–30 July 2021

IALS and the [Westminster Foundation for Democracy](#) are happy to announce the launch of the [Advanced Certified Course on Post-Legislative Scrutiny](#). The course explores in depth the theory and practice of post-legislative scrutiny as an oversight tool. It adopts a holistic outlook that

places post-legislative scrutiny in the legislative cycle. The course will apply post-legislative scrutiny as a scrutiny tool for gender issues and legislation in key sectors like the environment/climate change or corruption.

IALS Legislative Drafting and Language Workshop

7 July 2021, 6pm

At this [Legislative Drafting and Language Workshop](#), scholars and experts in the field of law, legislative drafting and linguistics will explore the research space around law and language, focusing on the gender-neutral strategies adopted by drafters in various jurisdictions. The ambition is to envisage ‘a way forward’ in legislative drafting and to generate ideas that might challenge prevailing practices and beliefs, to cross the traditional boundaries of disciplines such as law and linguistics, and eventually to interact successfully with scholars from different fields.

Financial Technology— Challenges for the Law: Online Seminar and Book Launch

3 September 2021, 11:30am

This seminar addresses recent developments of financial technology and the related legal and regulatory challenges combined with a book launch introducing the *Routledge Handbook of Financial Technology and Law* edited by Iris H-Y Chiu and Gudula Deipenbrock. The Handbook discusses the innovative

technology-driven transformation of services, products and markets in the financial sector from the legal perspective. Topics of the Handbook include policy issues, high-level principles and perspectives as well as legal challenges of Fintech in the realms of credit, payments, investment, insurance, cryptocurrencies and assets, markets and trading as well as Regtech and Suptech. See [website](#) for details.

Podcasts

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