

This course is part of an on-going programme devised by the IBA's Section on Public and Professional Interest (SPPI) to assist young lawyers and junior members of the profession with their understanding of the fundamentals of international legal practice.

The Fundamentals of International Legal Business Practice

Organised by the IBA Young Lawyers' Committee

Saturday 7 October 2017

University of Technology Sydney Moot Court (CB05B.01.002) UTS Faculty of Law, Building 5, Block B, Ground Level 1-59 Quay St, Haymarket, NSW, 2000

A set of course materials will be made available to delegates. The course will be conducted in English.

Registration fee of £30 (excluding GST)/ £33 (including GST) includes lunch for all participants.

Programme

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0900 – 1700	Registration

- 0930 0935 Welcome remarks (Training day Co-Chairs)
- 0935 0945 Introduction to the IBA and Young Lawyers' Committee (YLC Co-Chair)

0945 – 1115 **SESSION ONE**

International joint ventures and M&A transactions

This session will address relevant matter in connection to international joint ventures and M&A transactions, including:

- introduction to cross-border joint ventures and mergers and acquisitions
- deal structuring;
- due diligence;
- documentation (term sheet/MOU, share purchase agreement, shareholders' agreement, joint venture agreements, etc); and
- anti-corruption/anti-bribery obligations (FCPA, UK Bribery Act, etc).

1115 – 1130 Coffee/tea break

1130 – 1300 SESSION TWO

Panel discussion: freedom of speech - you should try it sometime

This session will be styled as a debate between whether the legislature should or should not prescribe limits to the freedom of speech and expression. The issues to be explored include:

- what this mean in the digital age and global reach;
- national security interests;
- Trump campaign and the issues raised around the investigations into connection with Russia, Clinton's admin etc;
- fake news; and
- protection of minors.

1300 – 1400 **Lunch**

MOBILE TELEPHONES

Delegates are requested to ensure that mobile telephones and any other portable devices are switched off during the working sessions.

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1400 – 1530 **SESSION THREE**

International commercial arbitrations and dispute resolution

The session will analyse general topics such as arbitration agreements, types of arbitration (ad-hoc and institutional), key arbitration institutions and their rules, seat and venue of arbitration, choice of arbitrator, governing law, and other dispute resolution mechanism (mediation, conciliation, court litigation).

1530 – 1545 Coffee/tea break

1545 – 1715 **SESSION FOUR**

Panel discussion: career development in international legal practice The session will debate:

- what it takes to become an international lawyer;
- understanding cultural considerations;
- multilinguistic skills; and
- what to learn from the experience of successful international lawyers.

1715 – 1730 Closing remarks (Training Day Co-Chairs)

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International Bar Association

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The **International Bar Association** (IBA), established in 1947, is the world's leading organisation of international legal practitioners, bar associations and law societies. The IBA influences the development of international law reform and shapes the future of the legal profession throughout the world. It has a membership of more than 80,000 individual lawyers and more than 190 bar associations and law societies spanning over 160 countries and has considerable expertise in providing assistance to the global legal community.

Grouped into two divisions – the **Legal Practice Division** and the **Public and Professional Interest Division** – the IBA covers all practice areas and professional interests, providing members with access to leading experts and up-to-date information. Through the various committees of the divisions, the IBA enables an interchange of information and views among its members as to laws, practices and professional responsibilities relating to the practice of law around the globe. Additionally, the IBA's world-class conferences provide unrivalled professional development and network-building opportunities for international legal practitioners, senior business professionals, regulators and government officials.

European Regional Forum overview

The European Regional Forum has been developing and strengthening the existence of the IBA within the whole of Europe by promoting the goals of the IBA to members, non-members and others, disseminating professional knowhow, and assisting the committees and other constituencies of the IBA to increase their presence in the different subregions of Europe, including parts of North Africa and the Middle East.

The goals of the forum include addressing current and long-term needs of professional organisations and individual members within the geographical reach of the Forum, as well as increasing membership and participation in the IBA and integrating them within the organisation. The Forum will also facilitate cross-border activity between lawyers and bars in different European countries. The Forum has a particular focus on cross-disciplinary activities. It seeks to facilitate relevant networking and information/experience sharing opportunities and encompasses the social and collegial interests of both members and potential members with other regional fora, the Corporate Counsel Forum and the Young Lawyers' Committee and all LPD committees in general. The Forum has 7,700 members and its membership continue to increase as it becomes one of the most integrated and dynamic fora in the IBA.

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