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Is International cooperation dead?

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Join the Young Barristers' Committee and its international partners, including the Royal Commonwealth Society for discussion on international cooperation - resolving disputes & more...

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International law and order must continue to thrive in an evolutionary age. Since the Second World War, global governance has developed through a rules-based international order centred on Treaties and International Organisations, with dispute resolution conducted by International Courts and Arbitral Tribunals. Recently, however, this approach has been the focus of closer scrutiny and challenge.

How legitimate and accountable are these structures? Are they fit for purpose in the 21st Century?

On 13 March 2018, the Young Barristers' Committee, in partnership with the Royal Commonwealth Society, will be hosting a seminar that looks at these issues and more, focusing on:

- the functioning of and interplay between International Institutions;
- Investment Treaty Arbitration;
- Human Rights; and
- Public Policy.

Join the Foreign Office Legal Adviser Iain McLeod and a panel of other expert speakers.

The session will be followed by a drinks reception, which will be the perfect opportunity to meet other internationally-minded professionals.

To register your place, please [click here](#).

Speaker profiles

Sir Iain Macleod KCMG, Legal Adviser
Foreign and Commonwealth Office



Iain Macleod was admitted as a solicitor in 1987 and since then has held positions in many government departments.

At the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, he worked at the UK Representation to the EC and at the UK Mission to the UN, and was seconded to the Attorney General's Office.

Subsequently, he was Deputy Legal Adviser at the Home Office and then Legal Adviser, Central Advisory Division, Treasury Solicitor's Department, before taking up his present post in 2011.

In 2017 he was appointed Knight Commander of the Order of St Michael and St George.

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Katherine del Mar, 4 New Square

Katherine has a broad commercial and civil law practice, and is regularly instructed on public international law matters.

She holds a PhD in International Law (mention très bien avec félicitations de jury) from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland.

She regularly appears before the International Court of Justice, pleading in both English and French. Recent cases

include Maritime Delimitation in the Caribbean Sea and the Pacific Ocean (Costa Rica v. Nicaragua), and Land Boundary in the Northern Part of Isla Portillos (Costa Rica v. Nicaragua).

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Alex Haines, Bretton Woods Law
The Bar Council International Committee



Alex has been a member of the Bar Council International Committee since February 2015 where he sits on the Latin America and China interest groups, and is also on Transparency International's Suspension and Debarment Taskforce.

Alex worked for the Office of the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court (ICC) in The Hague on the *Katanga* case before undertaking pupillage in London. Following successful completion of pupillage and after securing tenancy, Alex initially practised as a barrister (both for the defence and prosecution) in London. He has appeared as a junior alone before the High Court in Judicial Review proceedings (reported), the Court of Appeal in a successful appeal against conviction, and as trial counsel in the Central Criminal Court.

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Katie Johnston, University of Oxford

Katie is currently a graduate research student at the University of Oxford. Her research is in the field of Public International Law and focuses on the *jus ad bellum*, its evolution, and its implications for the sources of international law.

She completed her LL.M. in International Legal Studies at Georgetown Law in Washington, D.C., where she was a UK-US Fulbright Scholar.

Katie previously worked as a Legal Advisor at the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris, and as a human rights advocate in the UK and Cambodia.

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Lucas Bastin, Essex Court Chambers

Lucas specialises in investment treaty arbitration, public international law and international commercial arbitration.

Lucas has a decade of experience practising in these areas, having previously practised for several years in the International Arbitration and Public International Law Groups of Latham & Watkins, and carried across to the Bar a strong full-time practice in these areas.



Lucas is often engaged not only to advise on complex issues of public international law and international arbitration – including investment protection, State responsibility, State and head of State immunity, treaty interpretation, enforcement of decisions, extradition, WTO law, ECHR law, and EU and UN sanctions – but also to have full-time carriage and management of contentious matters in these areas.

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