



## UK Bilateral Law Associations

### Society of British and Argentine Lawyers (SOBAL)

This organisation was set up in 1998 and was re-launched in 2008 following the International Bar Association conference in Buenos Aires. Application for memberships is open to those who wish to apply as full or associate members. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.sobal.co.uk/>

### Anglo-Australasian Lawyers Society

The Anglo-Australasian Lawyers Society UK Chapter is a non profit organisation for Australian and New Zealand lawyers in the UK and for UK lawyers with an interest in the region. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.aals.net.au/>

### Lex Anglo-Brasil

This organisation was launched in March 2013 with the support of the Law Society and Bar Council of England and Wales. Lex Anglo-Brazil is a bilateral association for lawyers with an interest in strengthening ties between Brazil and the UK. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.lexanglobrasil.com/>

### British Chinese Law Association (BCLA)

British Chinese Law Association (the BCLA) is a bilateral law association for UK and Chinese lawyers. The BCLA aims to encourage business relationships between its members, promote mutual understanding between the legal professions of the two countries and foster best legal practice. For further information, please visit their website at: [http://www.bclalaw.org.uk/British\\_Chinese\\_Law\\_Association/](http://www.bclalaw.org.uk/British_Chinese_Law_Association/)

### British Colombian Lawyer Association (BRICOL)

BRICOL was launched in May 2011 with to promote, improve and generate long-lasting relations between law professionals in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Colombia in order to strengthen bilateral relations. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://bricol.co.uk/>

### The Franco-British Lawyers Society Limited

The society is open to UK and French lawyers and law students in the UK and France. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.franco-british-law.org/>

#### British-German Jurists Association (BGJA)

The BGJA is a group of several hundred lawyers and other professionals interested in British-German legal practice. It aims to promote the study and knowledge of German Law and the German legal system in the UK and to encourage and facilitate the education of British and German Lawyers in the study and practice of German and British Law. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bgja.org.uk/>

#### British Israel Law Association (BISLA)

BISLA is a bilateral law association supported by the Law Society of England and Wales. The purpose of BISLA, as with other bilateral associations, is to develop cultural, legal and social relations between lawyers in different countries. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bisla.com/>

#### British Italian Law Association (BILA)

BILA is open to English solicitors and barristers (and some judges) and Italian avvocati with an interest in the laws and culture of both Italy and England. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bila.biz/>

#### British Japanese Law Association (BJLA)

BJLA is open to UK lawyers, Japanese lawyers residing in the UK and to employees of Japanese companies situated in the UK who are involved in the procurement of legal services. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bjla.org.uk/>

#### British-Kazakh Law Association (BrKLA)

BrKLA was re-launched in December 2010 with the support of the Bar Council and Law Society of England and Wales. BrKLA aims to encourage the development of stronger links between lawyers in the UK and Kazakhstan, to facilitate the exchange of legal and best practice experiences, and to further mutual understanding of the function of the rule of law and of the corporate social responsibility of lawyers in independent practice and in the service of industry in all its branches in the United Kingdom and Kazakhstan. For further information, please email Rupert D'Cruz: [rdc@littletonchambers.co.uk](mailto:rdc@littletonchambers.co.uk).

#### British Korean Law Association (BKLA)

The BKLA was formed in 2005 as an international organisation to promote the fellowship and relations between the legal professions in the UK and the Republic of South Korea. The BKLA is based in London and is open to UK and South Korean lawyers (including law professors and researchers) and to the employees of Korean companies or organisations in the UK who are involved in the procurement of legal services. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bkla.org.uk/>

#### British Maritime Law Association

The main purpose of the British Maritime Law Association is to promote the study and advancement of British maritime and mercantile law; to promote and consider with foreign and other maritime law associations proposals for the unification of maritime and mercantile law in the practice of different nations: to afford opportunities for members to

discuss matters of national and international maritime law. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bmla.org.uk/>

#### British-Nordic Lawyers' Association (BNLA)

The BNLA was formed in 1991 as a legal and business forum for lawyers from the United Kingdom and the Nordic countries (i.e. Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Iceland). It is open to UK lawyers and lawyers from the Nordic countries. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bnla.org/>

#### British Nigerian Law Forum (BNLF)

The BNLF aims at improving the relationship between the legal professions in the United Kingdom and Nigeria. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.britishnigerianlawforum.org/>

#### British Pakistani Lawyers Association (BPLA)

The BPLA was launched in October 2011 to promote and strengthen ties between the legal profession in the United Kingdom and in Pakistan. It aims to provide a forum for the discussion of issues of mutual interest and concern, and for the development of professional and personal relations between members of the profession in both countries. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.britishpakistanilawyers.org/>

#### British Russian Law Association (BRLA)

This association was set up to promote legal understanding between the two countries through seminars and exchanges. Membership is open to all lawyers. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.thebrla.com/>

#### Anglo-Russian Law Association (ARLA)

Membership of the Association is open to individuals and corporate entities interested in legal theory and practice both in Britain and in the countries of the CIS. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.arlaw.org.uk/>

#### British-South African Law Association

The British-South African Law Association aims to promote good understanding and improve the relations between the legal profession in South Africa and the UK. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bsala.org.uk/>

#### British Spanish Law Association (BSLA)

The BSLA aims to promote good relations between legal professionals in Spain and the UK. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.bsla.org.uk/>

#### British Turkish Lawyer Association (BTLA)

The BTLA aims to develop and strengthen legal, business and cultural ties between lawyers in the UK and in the Republic of Turkey. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.btla.org.uk/>

#### Society of English and American Lawyers (SEAL)

SEAL is a London-based organisation which exists as a forum for English and American lawyers to meet and exchange views on professional, business, academic and cultural matters of interest and concern to them. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.seal-london.org/seallondon/>

Omani British Lawyer Association (OBLA)

OBLA was established in 2011 with the objectives to promote fellowship and good understanding between the legal professions in the UK and the Sultanate of Oman, to develop and strengthen legal, business and cultural links between lawyers and to support the role of lawyers and the rule of law. For further information, please visit their website at: <http://www.omanbritishla.com/>

To register your interest for the inaugural event on 6 March 2013, please email [lucy.hicks@lawsociety.org.uk](mailto:lucy.hicks@lawsociety.org.uk).