

Training Workshop Programme 2024

International Boundary Dispute Resolution

6 – 8 November 2024, Paris, France



Third party settlement should always be considered as an option in boundary disputes.

Learn to evaluate the pros and cons to ensure a successful outcome from the adjudication process.



INTRODUCTION

Although it is widely recognised that boundary disputes are best settled through negotiation, there are times when recourse to third party settlement also needs to be considered as an option. This workshop is designed to help governments and their legal advisors to evaluate the benefits and disadvantages of third party adjudication, and to equip them with information and skills to ensure a successful outcome from the process.

Led by highly experienced international lawyers and boundary practitioners, the workshop will offer practical instruction on topics such as: choice of forum; assembling and assessing evidence; building and managing a team; presenting your case and rebutting your opponent's case.

The workshop, organised in partnership with leading international law firm Foley Hoag, will be of value not only to countries currently involved in boundary litigation or arbitration but also to any country seeking to achieve a peaceful boundary settlement with its neighbours.

IBRU is delighted to be running this workshop in partnership with Foley Hoag, which has one of the world's foremost boundary dispute resolution practices.

Who should attend?

- Diplomats and Diplomatic support staff
- Ministers and Ambassadors
- Legal Advisors
- Technical Advisors
- Consultants and reserachers
- Commercial litigators

TUTORS

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What will it cost?

The cost of the workshop is **£2,250** per participant. Payment can only be accepted in GBP sterling, however, we are able to accept payment by most major credit and debit cards.

Full payment **MUST** be received prior to the workshop to guarantee the booking. If full payment is not received before the deadline date of 20 October 2024, any provisional places booked may be removed.

In addition to tuition and all course materials, the fees cover the following:

- Lunch and refreshment breaks on 6, 7, and 8 November

REDUCED WORKSHOP RATE FOR LDC LIST COUNTRIES

For countries on the United Nations Least Developed Countries (LDC) list, the cost of the workshop will be **£1,250** per participant.

NOTE: Places will be restricted to only 2 places per LDC country per workshop at this reduced rate. Any additional places will be available at the full cost price. Places will be available on a first come first served basis.

How to book

Places are limited and early booking is highly recommended:

1. Contact the IBRU Team and complete the online booking form at www.durham.ac.uk/ibru
2. Acknowledgement of the provisional booking will be sent by email with information on how to pay.
3. If payment is not received by the deadline specified, the reserved place will be cancelled and your booking removed to a waiting list. Your place will only be confirmed when payment is received and if a place is still available.

PROGRAMME

Wednesday 6 November	0900-0910	Welcome and introduction	(Smith/Pratt)
	0910-0945	International boundaries and boundary disputes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The purpose and value of international boundaries Boundary-making: the global state of play Types of dispute involving international boundaries 	(Pratt)
	0945-1030	Boundary dispute resolution under international law <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The UN charter and dispute resolution The principle of consent to adjudication or arbitration of boundary disputes Dispute resolution under UNCLOS 	(Foley Hoag)
	1030-1100	<i>Refreshments</i>	
	1100-1215	Mediation and conciliation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benefits and drawbacks of mediation and conciliation Compulsory conciliation under UNCLOS Case studies 	(Foley Hoag)
	1245-1315	<i>Lunch</i>	
	1315-1445	Binding adjudication and arbitration 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The International Court of Justice The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea Arbitration 	(Foley Hoag)
	1445-1515	<i>Refreshments</i>	
Thursday 7 November	1515-1645	'A View from the Bench	(Gautier)
	0900-1015	Binding adjudication and arbitration 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choosing a forum Initiating a case 	(Foley Hoag)
	1015-1045	<i>Refreshments</i>	
	1045-1215	Case management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choosing a forum Initiating a case Building and preparing a team Assembling and assessing evidence Developing legal arguments Filing the application 	(Foley Hoag)
	1215-1315	<i>Lunch</i>	
	1315-1455	Presenting your case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written pleadings Oral arguments 	(Foley Hoag)
	1445-1515	<i>Refreshments</i>	
	1515-1700	Practical exercise part 1: Negotiating and drafting a compromis / special agreement	(All tutors)
Friday 8 November	0900-1100	Practical exercise part 2: Preparing a memorial	(All tutors)
	1100-1130	<i>Refreshments</i>	
	1130-1215	Technical support in boundary negotiation and dispute settlement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The importance of geographical expertise Technical issues in boundary-making Bringing the landscape alive: the art of the cartographer 	(Pratt)
	1215-1245	After the judgement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementing the decision Post-judgment actions 	(Foley Hoag)
	1245-1300	<i>Closing discussion and wrap up</i>	(Pratt)

Cover image: Participants at the 2022 IBRU-Foley Hoag workshop in Paris

Our Partners

Foley Hoag has offices in Boston, Paris and Washington DC and since its creation in 1943 has become a high-performing firm with a long record of success across a wide range of industries.



Foley Hoag regularly represents Sovereign States in disputes over maritime and land boundaries. The firm has been counsel in more maritime boundary cases before international courts and arbitral tribunals than any other law firm in the world. Foley Hoag has helped clients achieve victories in maritime boundary cases before the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) in Hamburg and the International Court of Justice (ICJ) in The Hague.

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Additional information

The Venue

The Metafore Boétie - St Augustin
5 Rue La Boétie, 75008, Paris, France

<https://metafore.com/boetie-st-augustin>

The workshop will take place at this venue throughout the 3 days. You are expected to make your own way to the venue for the start of the workshop each day.



Accommodation

Accommodation is not included in the workshop fee and participants are required to book their own accommodation in Paris. We recommend you stay in a hotel in close proximity to the workshop venue. A list of hotels close to the venue can be provided.

Travel

You are expected to organise your own travel arrangements to Paris. Please be aware that you may require a visa to enter France and you will be required to apply for your own visa for entry in to the country. Please allow enough time for your visa to be processed before the start of the workshop. A letter on invitation can be provided to support your visa application.

Language

Teaching and workshop materials will be in English.

Cancellations

Cancellations must be received in writing not later than the 7 November and will be subject to a £300 cancellation fee, unless a substitute participant is offered. After this date the full registration fee will be charged for all cancellations.

Programme changes

IBRU reserves the right to modify the programme as necessary without notice to participants.

The J.R.V. Prescott Scholarship

Thanks to a generous donation from the estate of international boundaries scholar JRV Prescott, IBRU is pleased to offer the JRV Prescott Student Scholarship Programme, to support postgraduate attendance at IBRU training workshops.

Each year, IBRU will award one person a scholarship covering workshop registration, plus up to £500 towards expenses, to attend one of that year's regularly scheduled training workshops. To be eligible an individual must be enrolled in a current postgraduate course of study or have completed a postgraduate qualification in the last 5 years in any discipline.



This workshop is eligible for the Prescott Scholarship.

Contact Information

If you have any questions about the workshop please contact the IBRU Team.

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