IALS participates in the AIM25 project

AIM25 (Archives in London and the M25 area) is an RSLP-funded project to provide networked access to archival holdings in higher education institutions and a number of royal colleges and learned societies in London and the M25 area. The overall purposes of the project are to:

- encourage greater awareness and cross disciplinary use of archival collections. The diverse, multi-disciplinary nature of archival holdings (which often exist alongside specialist strengths) may mean that scholars are not always alerted to materials in their fields. Similarly, a major focus of the project will be institutional records, a hitherto neglected area rich in research potential;
- facilitate research planning and access for users of archives in the project area; and
- enhance understanding of the broad social, demographic and historical significance of higher education in the nation’s capital city and environs.

THE ROLE OF THE IALS

The IALS is participating in the AIM25 project by the production of detailed catalogues of its archival holdings. The catalogues will be listed on the AIM25 website, with points of entry to the website of the IALS, the institutional holdings in the archives, detailed lists of records in the archives and the indexes to those lists.

The IALS Library houses two major archive collections:

- the IALS Archives; and
- the Records of Legal Education Archives.

The IALS Archives comprises the administrative archive of the Institute. Its records include:

- historical files, 1934-1995;
- correspondence and papers of IALS Directors, 1946-1987;
- correspondence and papers of the IALS Secretary/Librarian, 1947-1985;
- photographs and portraits, with related correspondence, 1960s-1989; and
- printed and published papers produced by or concerning the Institute, 1989-1999.

The Records of Legal Education Archives was established at IALS to provide a home for the records of individuals and agencies prominent in the field of legal education where no alternative place of custody could be found. Its holdings include the following:

- Archive of the Association of Law Teachers, 1965-1996;
- Papers of the Committee of Inquiry into Equal Opportunities at the Inns of Court School of Law, chaired by Dame Jocelyn Barrow (Barrow Inquiry), 1990-1994;
- Archive of the Committee of Heads of University Law Schools, 1974-1999;
- Archive of the Council of Legal Education, 1845-1996;
- Archive of the Commonwealth Legal Education Association, 1972-1995;
- Archive of the Commonwealth Legal Records Project, 1987-1993;
- Archive of the International Law Association, 1873-1990;
- Manuscript material deposited by the IALS, 1890-1973;
- Papers of Dr S Marsh, law teacher, 1968-1995;
- Papers of Professor James S Read, law teacher, 1972-1983;
- Archive of the Records of Legal Education Project, 1993-1998;
- Papers of the Society for Advanced Legal Studies, 1997-1999;
- Archive of the Socio-Legal Studies Association, 1989-1996;
- Archive of the Society of Public Teachers of Law, 1908-1999;
- Papers of Professor William L Twining, law teacher, 1965-1994; and

For a detailed catalogue and index see the Guide to the Records of Legal Education Archives at IALS, available from the Library Enquiry desk or on http://ials.sas.ac.uk/archives/archives.htm

THE OTHER PARTNERS

The higher education partners comprise:

- British Library of Political & Economic Science, London School of Economics
- Courtauld Institute
- Imperial College
- Institute of Education
- King’s College London (lead institution)
- Royal Holloway College
- School of Advanced Study
  - Institute of Advanced Legal Studies
  - Institute of Commonwealth Studies
- School of Oriental & African Studies
- University College London
University of London Computing Centre (website hub management)  
University of London Library  
University of Westminster (principal support institution)  
External partners:  
Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists  
Royal College of Physicians  
Royal College of Surgeons of England  
Royal Geographical Society  
Royal Institution  
Royal Society  
Royal Statistical Society  
Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine

**IMPORTANCE OF THE COLLECTIONS**

The institutional records of the partner organisations, traditionally a neglected historical resource, have a local, metropolitan, national, colonial and international perspective. During the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, London’s educational institutions exported trained professionals overseas, and attracted students from all over the world. Regionally London was an early provider of commercial, technical and applied arts education through the polytechnics, many of which have since become new universities. Institutional records may be used for a vast array of different research topics, ranging from biography (e.g. the New Dictionary of National Biography) to studies of social mobility, professionalisation and gender as well as for the history of individual disciplines such as science and medicine. Unlocking these sources will make a significant contribution to the history of London’s intellectual life.

The deposited collections held by the schools and colleges of the University of London represent the premier groupings of archival material in the country relating to anthropology, politics, law, economics, social and cultural history, education (from primary to tertiary levels), languages and literature, religion, missionary studies, military history and the history of science and medicine.

External partners represent major concentrations of sources for:

- the development of medical science and education, ethnic, gender and cultural studies (the royal medical colleges and the Wellcome Institute);  
- history of science and technology (Royal Society and the Royal Institution);  
- the development of the British Empire; astronomical, meteorological and topographical observation (Royal Geographical Society); and  
- mathematical observation of social and economic trends (Royal Statistical Society).

**AIM25 OBJECTIVES**

AIM25 offers a dedicated website offering a single point of entry to 9,500 collection (fonds) level, subfonds and principal series descriptions of the holdings of archives and manuscript collections in the participating institutions outlined above. The website will be found at http://www.aim25.ac.uk

Descriptions will meet the international standard for archival description, ISAD(G). Additional access points will be provided to support place, person and thesaurus assisted subject searching. Data compiled in the different institutions will be brought together and made available from the hub managed by the University of London Computer Centre, and will be formatted and stored to the highest professional standards. It will form a major contribution towards the cross-sectoral UK-wide archival network envisioned by the National Council on Archives in its report Archives On-Line (1998).

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**IALS Events**

**International Financial Regulation Seminar**

**Global governance of financial systems: the institutional and legal framework**

**Monday, 12 March 2001**

**DR KERN ALEXANDER**

Butterworths Senior Research Fellow in International Financial Regulation, Institute of Advanced Legal Studies  

This seminar will be held from 12.30pm to 2pm at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies. Light refreshments will be available from 12 noon.

**ADMISSION FREE – ALL WELCOME**

Those wishing to attend, or requiring further details, should contact Belinda Crothers at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (tel: 020 7862 5841; email: bcrother@sas.ac.uk)
IALS Lecture
Thursday, 31 May 2001, 6pm
PROFESSOR TAKIS TRIDIMAS
Faculty of Law, University of Southampton
Free movement of companies and financial services in the case law of the ECJ.

Company Lawyer Lectures
Thursday, 15 March 2001
HER HONOUR JUDGE DIANA FABER
Company law reform for small businesses: past & future

Thursday, 29 March 2001
PROFESSOR PETER MUCHLINSKI
Draper’s Professor of Law, Queen Mary, University of London
Holding multinationals to account: recent developments in English litigation

Monday, 30 April 2001
STEPHEN COPP
Director, European Centre for Corporate Governance, Bournemouth University
Alternative dispute resolution and company law (title to be confirmed)

Monday, 14 May 2001
LISA LINKLATER
Barrister, Chancery House Chambers, Leeds
Market abuse (title to be confirmed)

W G Hart Legal Workshop 2001
This year’s W G Hart Legal Workshop is entitled ‘The changing work and organisation of lawyers and its education implications’, and will take place from 26-28 June 2001 at the IALS. The joint Academic Directors are Professor Avrom Sherr, Woolf Professor of Legal Education, IALS, and Professor David Sugar of the University of Lancaster. Paper titles for panels were requested by 20 December 2000, and abstracts are required by 20 March.

APPROACH OF THE WORKSHOP
The Law School curriculum is under attack. Client needs in industry and commerce seem to dictate the subject areas of commercial legal work. Regulation affects the form and substance of that work and litigation is active between regulation and commercial need. In social security and welfare law, both subject area and substance are formed by governmental regulation on the back of socio-political and economic theory. Globalisation might affect both and all advance at an increasingly fast rate.

The Law School curriculum is formed by slower processes. The organised legal professions often decide on a minimal ‘core’. History and tradition have some effects. The courses law teachers wish to teach arise from their own preoccupations. The rate of progress of change within the curriculum for the law degree does not seem to keep pace with change in the work of law. They diverge considerably. What is taught in undergraduate legal education is now so far divorced from the practice of most new lawyers, that the employing legal professionals begin to query the worth of the law degree.

Changing work has also involved changes in management of professional work. With specialised levels of work and subject categories, changing management and personnel has also led to changes in legal careers. Yet the paradigms of legal education still retain the old notions.

Does legal education keep pace with legal practice? Should it? If not, what should legal education do?

If you would like to attend the workshop, please register your interest now with Belinda Crothers at the IALS, 17 Russell Square, London WC1B 5DR (tel: 020 7862 5841; email: bcrother@sas.ac.uk). Places are limited, and being allocated on a ‘first come first served’ basis. Further information is available from the Academic Directors Avrom Sherr (email: a.sherr@sas.ac.uk) and David Sugarman (email: d'sugarman@lancaster.ac.uk).
SALS Events

Joint SALS, Law Commission and SPTL seminar and discussion session

Thursday 22 March 2001 17.30 - 19.30
CHAIRLED BY PROFESSOR HUGH BEAL
Law Commissioner and Professor of Law, University of Warwick
The illegality defence in tort

SALS Lectures

Thursday, 5 April 2001
VERA BAIRD QC
Tooks Court Chambers
Gender imbalances in defences to murder: battered women who kill their partners

Thursday 17 May 2001
MICHAEL TUGENDHAT QC
5 Raymond Buildings
Privacy and celebrity

6 June 2001
SALS AGM and Fourth Annual Lecture
SPEAKER TO BE CONFIRMED (OPEN TO ALL)

All events will take place at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, Charles Clore House, 17 Russell Square, London WC1B 5DR at 6pm unless otherwise stated, and will be followed by a reception. NPP and CPD points are available for these events. Attendance is free for SALS members, and £5 (payable at the door) for non-members. Please contact the Society for Advanced Legal Studies Office prior to attendance to confirm that the event is taking place and to register (tel: 020 7862 5865; fax: 020 7862 5855; email: sals@sas.ac.uk).

SALS News

Lord Bingham speaks at SALS annual dinner 2000

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Bingham of Cornhill, Senior Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, was the speaker at the Society for Advanced Legal Studies Annual Dinner, which was held at Middle Temple Hall on 27 November 2000 and attended by over 250 guests. Lord Bingham paid tribute to the work being done by the Institute’s Director, Professor Barry Rider, and everyone involved in the IALS’s research activities. He also praised the efforts of the Institute’s library staff.

Toasts were proposed by Toby Graham, partner, Taylor Joynson Garrett and Convenor of the SALS Working Group on the Proceeds of Corruption; Professor Avrom Sherr, Woolf Professor of Legal Education at the IALS and Deputy Chairman of the Executive Committee of SALS; Professor Barry Rider, Director of the IALS and Chairman of the Executive Committee of SALS.

Lord Bingham was introduced by Richard Southwell QC, Deputy Chairman of the Advisory Council to SALS. A vote of thanks was proposed by Philip Rutledge, Inns of Court Visiting Fellow at the IALS, Deputy Chief Counsel at the Pennsylvania Securities Commission and Adjunct Professor of Law at the Dickinson Law School.

The dinner was preceded by a reception hosted by CCH New Law.

Among those attending the dinner were: His Excellency Mr K Shimanouchi and Mrs Shimanouchi; Sir Alan Thomas; Dr C Nakajima Mr De Vic G Carey; Chief Justice Mifsud-Bonnici and Mrs Mifsud-Bonnici; The Rt. Hon. The Lord Cooke; Professor Terence Daintith; Sir Philip Bailhache; Mrs Celia Fox; The Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Walker; Vice-Chancellor Professor D Rhind and Mrs Rhind; Professor Graham Zellick; The Rt. Hon. The Lord Woolf and Lady Woolf; The Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Mummery; Ms Juliet Wheldon QC; The Rt. Hon. The Lord Justice Keene and Lady Keene; Howard Flight MP; Ms Wendy Beecham; The Rt. Hon. The Lord Scott; The Rt. Hon. Lady Justice Butler-Sloss; His Excellency Mr T Brautaset and Mrs Brautaset; Professor Sir Roy Goode QC; Mr R Southwell QC; Chief Justice Schofield.
From left to right: Kenneth Shimanouchi, Deputy Japanese Ambassador, and The Lord Chief Justice Lord Woolf.

From left to right: Dianne Stafford, Director, Legal & Constitutional Affairs Division, Commonwealth Secretariat; Richard Nzerem, Director of the Sir William Dale Centre for Legislative Studies at the IALS; and Philip Rutledge, Deputy Chief Counsel, Pennsylvania Securities Commission, who was visiting the IALS on an Inns of Court Fellowship.

From left to right: Judge Diana Faber and Chief Justice Mifsud-Bonnici, from Malta.

From left to right: Professor Terence Daintith, Dean of the School of Advanced Study, University of London, and Lord Cooke.

From left to right: Paul Davies, Cassell Professor of Commercial Law at the London School of Economics, and Lord Bingham.

From left to right: Lord Bingham, Lord Woolf and Professor Graham Zellick, Vice Chancellor of London University.

From left to right: The Rt Hon The Lord Bingham of Cornhill, Senior Lord of Appeal in Ordinary.