

European Society of International Law
Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals
Annual Report 2016-2017

Election of conveners of the IG 2016-2018

Following the election process held at the IG meeting in Riga, on 7 September 2017, and in the following weeks, H  l  ne Ruiz Fabri (Max Planck Institute for Procedural Law, Luxembourg), Holger Hestermeyer (King’s College, London) and Serena Forlati (University of Ferrara) were appointed as the co-conveners of the Interest Group for 2016-2018.

Membership

The Interest Group has attracted significant interest: at the time of writing (September 2017) it counts 717 members. Participation has raised since 2016 (with however some oscillations in the first months of 2017, probably in connection with the membership renewal).

New website

A new website for the interest group is now operating with the support of a member of the IG, Dr. Edouard Fromageau, and of the MPI Luxembourg. It can be accessed at this link: <https://igict.wordpress.com/>

Events

The IG meeting in Riga included a presentation of candidacies for new conveners, as well as for a broad discussion on the future of the Interest Group. Poster presentations by young scholars also took place.

A seminar on Dispute Settlement in Free Trade Agreements was organised at King’s College, London, in cooperation with our Interest Group, the ESIL Interest Group on International Economic Law as well as SIEL, on 26/27 May 2017. The programme is attached herewith.

The Interest Group participated in the call for proposals for the ESIL Naples Conference. The proposal for an Agora on *International Adjudication as a Global Public Good?* was selected for inclusion in the Conference’s programme. One of the panelists, Dr. Joshua Paine, was awarded with the ESIL Young Scholar Prize.

The Interest Group also held administrative meeting in Naples, on 6th September 2017. The event provided an opportunity for an informal exchange among members on their ongoing research projects and to discuss future work of the IG. It was agreed that a workshop on “Accessibility in International Adjudication” will be organised as a side event to the next ESIL annual conference in Manchester (and, within the workshop, a special session will deal with the use of language in International adjudication). A working group was set up in order to support the conveners in the organization of the Manchester workshop, composed of Dr Edouard Fromageau , Ms Letizia Logiacco , Professor Dr. Mehrdad Payandeh, and Dr Joshua Payne

Moreover, Dr. Edouard Fromageau has kindly accepted to take care of the IG website also next year.

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The Interest Group Co-Conveners

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