

CIPL E-Bulletin – Vol. 4, No.1, April 2009

Dear CIPL Associates,

Welcome to this edition of the CIPL e-Bulletin which provides you with an opportunity to be brought up to date with some recent Centre activities and forthcoming events.

Professor Kim Rubenstein, the CIPL Director, is currently taking some well deserved study leave in the first half of 2009 and during that time Professor Donald R. Rothwell is Acting Director of the Centre. During the first 3 months of 2009 CIPL activities have been ongoing. In early February the Centre and the College of Law played host to 15 competing teams from across Australia as part of the annual Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition which culminated in the Final on Saturday, 7 February in the High Court with Chief Justice French presiding. The University of Melbourne were declared winners of the Australian final, and along with the University of Western Australia have recently been in Washington at the International Finals. On 19 March the Centre also hosted the Second Annual Kirby Lecture on International Law delivered by Professor Hilary Charlesworth (RegNET ANU), and a former CIPL Director. Professor Charlesworth's lecture titled "Swimming to Cambodia: Justice and Ritual in human rights after conflict" tracked the role that Michael Kirby played in the promotion of human rights as the Special Representative for Human Rights of the UN Secretary-General between 1993-1996, before then assessing the impact of human rights upon Cambodia in the past decade. Professor Charlesworth's lecture, including an insightful intervention from the floor by Michael Kirby, is available at:
<http://law.anu.edu.au/CIPL/index.asp>

As from 3 April, the Centre will be commencing a series of regular fortnightly Friday lunch time seminars on topical matters of interest to public and international lawyers. It is hoped that these CIPL seminars may become a regular feature of the calendar for all Canberra-based CIPL Associates and for those interstate Associates visiting on Fridays. With the exception of a mid-winter recess, the seminars will be held on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Friday of each month. Look out for more details on forthcoming seminars at: <http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/events.asp>.

Finally, CIPL will be co-hosting with the Parliamentary Studies Centre (ANU) a seminar on "Parliaments and Bills of Rights: How can parliaments adapt their forms and practices to the new era of Bills of Rights?" to be held at Parliament House, Canberra, on Friday, 24 April. Speakers will include Professors Hilary Charlesworth (ANU), Brian Galligan (Melbourne), George Williams (UNSW), and Senator George Brandis (Lib, Qld). Look out for more details via the CIPL Homepage: <http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl>

Until the next CIPL event....

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News

Hitoshi Nasu and Professor Donald Rothwell were recent special guest columnists with Jurist Legal News & Research, University of Pittsburg, School of Law, providing commentary at a recent Forum on <http://jurist.law.pitt.edu/forumy/2009/03/law-at-sea-challenges-facing-japans.php>

Matthew Rimmer, "Submission to the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties on the Agreement Between Australia and the European Community on Trade in Wine 2009", March 2009, <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/jsct/3february2009/subs/sub7.pdf>

Hitoshi Nasu Book Release: "International Law on Peacekeeping: A Study of Article 40 of the UN Charter" <http://www.brill.nl/default.aspx?partid=210&pid=31631>

The *Australian Year Book of International Law* Volume 27 (edited by Donald R Rothwell and Kim Rubenstein) is now available http://law.anu.edu.au/CIPL/Publications/AYBIL_Yearbook/AYBIL%2027%20order%20form.pdf

Minister for Immigration and Citizenship announces receipt of the report of the Australian Citizenship Test Review Committee *Moving Forward... Improving Pathways to Citizenship*, of which Professor Kim Rubenstein was a member. The Minister has also issued the government's response to the report. See: <http://www.citizenshiptestreview.gov.au/>

Publication: Kim Rubenstein and Niamh Lenagh-Maguire, "Citizenship" in Freckleton and Selby (eds) *Appealing to the Future: Michael Kirby and his Legacy* (2009, Thomson Reuters)

CIPL series *Connecting International law with Public law* will be published by Cambridge University Press – see <http://www.cambridge.org/series/sSeries.asp?code=ILPL> and the first book will be available by the end of this year:

Forthcoming CIPL Events

For more details about each of the forthcoming events see: <http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/Events.asp>

CIPL Seminar Series

Friday 3 April

Phillipa Weeks Staff Library, ANU College of Law

[Ocean Acidification: An Acid Test for International Law](#)

Dr Tim Stephens, Senior Lecturer, The University of Sydney

CIPL Seminar Series

Friday 17 April

Phillipa Weeks Staff Library, ANU College of Law

[State Responsibility & Financial Crises](#)

Dr Sarah Heathcote

CIPL Seminar Series

Friday 1 May

Phillipa Weeks Staff Library, ANU College of Law

[Operationalising the 'Responsibility to Protect' and Conflict Prevention: Dilemmas of Civilian Protection in Armed Conflict](#)

Hitoshi Nasu

2009 ANZSIL Conference

2-4 July 2009, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand

CIPL/ACEL 2009 Workshop

[Environmental discourses in international & public law](#)

Proposed dates: 13-15 August 2009

2009 Public Law Weekend & Annual Geoffrey Sawer Lecture

Thursday 12th and Friday 13th November

http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/Conferences&SawerLecture/2009/PLW_Notice.pdf

Recent Past Events

Audio recordings for many of the seminars and lectures mentioned below are available at: <http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/events.asp>

Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

February

50th Anniversary of the Philip C Jessup Competition. The Competition was attended by 15 Law Schools from around Australia and was well supported by the Attorney-General's Department, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and related government agencies. The Final, held at the High Court of Australia and presided over by Chief Justice French, was between the University of Melbourne and University of Western Australia with Melbourne being successful on the day. Justice Michael Kirby, was acknowledged for his support of the Jessup Moot and was awarded the Friend of the Jessup.

Conference: Judicial Reasoning: Art or Science?

7 & 8 February

Conference hosted by the National Judicial College of Australia, ANU College of Law & Australian Academy of Forensic Science

http://law.anu.edu.au/nissl/JudReas_09.htm

Book Launch:

Tuesday 10 March

"The Human Rights Enterprise in Australia and Internationally" by Peter Bailey and

"The First Women Lawyers: A Comparative Study of Gender, Law & the Legal Professions" by Mary Jane Mossman

Launched by The Hon Michael Kirby AC CMG

<http://law.anu.edu.au/coast/bailey.pdf>

Second Annual Kirby lecture in International Law:

Thursday 19 March

Professor Hilary Charlesworth, with Justice Kirby in attendance.

Title: Swimming to Cambodia: Justice and Ritual in human rights after conflict

<http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/Lectures&Seminars/2009/Charlesworth.pdf>

Events and Information of Interest

International Conference: 8-9 April

National Europe Centre Research School of Humanities

Crossing Borders: Promoting Regional Law Enforcement Cooperations – European, Australian and Asia-Pacific Perspectives

http://www.anu.edu.au/NEC/conferences_workshops/2009_CrossingBorders/CrossingBorders.php

Discussion: 1 May

'Disability and Social Justice: Past, Present and Future

Professor Peter Blanck, Chairman, Burton Blatt Institute, Syracuse University

Room 1.13 Coombs Extension Building

http://cigj.anu.edu.au/cigj/centre_events/conferences/index.php

Conference: 14-16 April 2009

Testimony, Trauma and Social Suffering: New Contexts/New Framings

Research School of Humanities

Conveners: Dr Rosanne Kennedy & Professor Gillian Whiltlock

Venue: Research School of Humanities, Old Canberra House, ANU

<http://rsh.anu.edu.au/events/2009/tts/index.php>