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SEMINAR

THE UNIDROIT PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CONTRACTS

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Commentator: The Hon Justice Paul Finn, Federal Court of Australia

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THE SEMINAR

In this seminar Professor Bonell will speak about the UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts, a code developed by representatives of various legal systems which may be adopted as the governing law of a particular contract. UNIDROIT is an independent, intergovernmental organisation based in Rome that seeks to harmonise and coordinate the private law of different states. The code has been used by arbitrators and judges in many jurisdictions as an influential statement of internationally recognised principles governing international commercial contracts.

THE SPEAKER

Professor Joachim Bonell is Professor of Comparative Law at the University of Rome 'La Sapienza' and is an internationally recognised authority on comparative commercial law. He has been a consultant to UNIDROIT since 1978 and has chaired the Working Group for the preparation of the first, second and third editions of the UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts. Professor Bonell is visiting Australia to promote UNIDROIT's work on international commercial contracts and to increase awareness of the code among the judiciary, commercial lawyers and policymakers.

THE COMMENTATOR

The Hon Justice Paul Finn will comment upon the role of the UNIDROIT Principles in Australian law. Justice Finn has been a member of the working group for the second and third editions of the UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts.

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