

CIPL E-Bulletin – Vol. 2, No. 5, 16 November 2007

Dear CIPL Associates,

Welcome to the fifth E-bulletin of 2007.

In the sections below you will see news of past events, including the very successful 2007 Public law weekend and notice of future events.

We are delighted to let you know that CIPL's newsletter for 2007 is now available. As stated in previous E-Bulletins, the newsletter is available electronically in an attempt to cut down on printing costs. This edition covers the Centre's work and activities from August 2006 – September 2007. The newsletter can be downloaded from <<http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/newsletter.asp>>. If you would like us to send you a hard copy please contact Kavitha Robinson and she will happily do so.

After a very successful July inaugural CIPL workshop linking international and public lawyers (with work on the book from that meeting well underway) CIPL looks forward to the second of this series which will take place from 26 – 28 May 2008. The topic is *Incentives for Global Health: Patent Law and Access to Essential Medicines*. Information about the Workshop as well as the call for abstracts is available at <<http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/events.asp>>. I encourage anyone with an expertise or interest health and public and international law to have a look at the call for papers and submit an abstract by 21 December 2007.

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News

The Twelfth annual Public Law Weekend held from 9 – 10 November was from all accounts a great success. This year the conference asked the question, is Australian society facing the Death of the Rule of Law? This powerful phrase was used by Justice Dyson Heydon in his article 'Judicial activism and the death of the rule of law' (2003) 23 Australian Bar Review 110. The conference explored rule of law issues in the context of the Executive and Judicial branches, as well as in particular areas of public law. The conference attracted over 160 participants with a high level of speakers from across Australia and the United Kingdom, each of whom provided quality papers on a range of stimulating and thought-provoking issues and themes. Papers and handouts will be posted on our website as we receive them from presenters.

The Tenth Geoffrey Sawer Lecture was held in conjunction with the Public Law Weekend and was open to both conference participants and the public. Professor Michael Taggart from the University of Auckland examined the topical issue of Australian Exceptionalism in Judicial Review. It was one of the most successful Sawer lectures yet with discussion about the lecture continuing to the Conference dinner afterwards. The handout given out at the lecture as well as a copy of the paper itself is available on our website at <http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/events.asp>

In October, CIPL sponsored a visit from Professor Noah Novogrodsky, University of Toronto law school and Visiting Scholar at Georgetown University Law Centre. Professor Novogrodsky participated and contributed to an important session brainstorming a range of approaches to CIPL's interest in undertaking some public interest advocacy/litigation around the intersection of public and international law. Professor Novogrodsky's visit culminated in a stimulating public lecture "The Globalization of Hatred: Incitement to Genocide and the Migration of Transnational Legal Norms". Audio from the lecture is available on our website at <http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/events.asp>

Recent Past Events

- Twelfth Annual Public Law Weekend - Death of the Rule of Law?, 9-10 November 2007
- Tenth Geoffrey Sawer Lecture - Australian Exceptionalism in Judicial Review, 9 November 2007
- The Globalization of Hatred: Incitement to Genocide and the Migration of Transnational Legal Norms, 18 October 2007
- The Statutory Protection of Rights and Parliamentary Sovereignty – Guidance from the United Kingdom?, 16 October 2007
- Between Idealism and Pragmatism: an insider's reflections on models of International Justice, 8 October 2007
- Litigating Genocide in International Courts, 8 October 2007
- Child soldiers and international law, 27 September 2007

Audio recordings and handouts from some of these past events are available at <http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/events.asp>

Forthcoming Events

For more details about each of the forthcoming events, see:

<http://law.anu.edu.au/cipl/Events.asp>

Discussion Session: Reconciliation, Genocide, and Criminal Trials

Professor Larry May

Tuesday 11 December 2007, 1pm

Phillipa Weeks Staff Library (Level 1), ANU College of Law, The ANU

(In conjunction with Centre for Internal Governance & Justice, RegNet, The ANU)

2008 CIPL Workshop

Connecting the Public with the International: Law's potential

2008 Topic: Incentives for Global Health: Patent Law and Access to Essential Medicines

26 - 28 May 2008

Call for abstracts - due 21 December 2007

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Events of Interest

International Policing Conference on Monday 19 November 2007

Professor Kim Rubenstein will be speaking on the duty to protect in international law at this conference.

For more information see: <http://conference.afp.gov.au/speakers.htm>

Preparing for the future: Looking at the consequences of the external and internal drivers that will radically change the nature of humanitarian work and humanitarian agencies over the next decade.

Dr Peter Walker & Professor Antonio Donini, Feinstein International Center, Tufts University

Friday 23 November 2007, 5.30pm

Room 1.04, Coombs Extension Building (8), Fellows Rd, The ANU

For more information see:

http://cijg.anu.edu.au/cijg/centre_events/publiclectures/index.php

Humanitarian Action in a Troubled World: Principles, Power and Perceptions

Professor Antonio Donini, Feinstein International Center, Tufts University

Monday 26 November 2007, 12.30

Room 1.04 Coombs Extension Building (8), Fellows Rd, ANU

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Manning Clark House Weekend of Ideas

Saturday 29 - Sunday 30 March 2008

Professor Kim Rubenstein will be presenting the 2008 Dymphna Clark lecture