



Newsletter
First Quarter 2015 (January-March)

A – Call for Papers and Travel Grants

1. Annual Conference (Berlin, Wednesday 30 September-Thursday 1 October 2015)

The Call for Papers has now been issued for the Berlin Conference. Expressions of interest are invited for the delivery of papers within the overall conference theme, which has been determined as: “Banking and Financial Insolvencies”. The theme will develop a number of topics, including, *inter alia*, “Adapting Insolvency to Sectoral Needs”; “The Challenges of Managing Large-Scale Insolvencies”; “What does “Rescuing” a Financial Institution mean?”; and “Coordination of Group Insolvencies”. The intention for this conference is to have papers that challenge, stimulate and ask profound questions about the nature of the subject of insolvency with application to the banking and financial sector. Proposals are invited that do more than just outline a topic of interest, but seek to understand, analyse and critique the fundamentals of insolvency and take the subject forward. Expressions of interest in delivering papers within the conference theme should be communicated by **15 February 2015** to Paul Omar, IEAF Secretary, by e-mail at: <paul.omar@ntu.ac.uk>. Proposals for papers will then be selected and the organisers will communicate by the beginning of March 2015 those papers that have been selected for inclusion within the conference.

Would-be speakers who also fit the necessary criteria should also complete a form for a Travel Grant, available at the IEAF Homepage: <www.insol-europe.org/academic/>.

B –Upcoming Events

2. Joint Academic Conference with Academy of European Law (ERA) (Trier, Thursday 19-Friday 20 March 2015)

A second joint conference with the Academy of European Law has been organised for March 2015 to mark the completion of the reform project on the text of the European Insolvency Regulation, the new draft of which was adopted at the European Justice and Home Affairs meeting on 5 December 2014. The conference will also focus on other insolvency and insolvency-related initiatives, such as the 2014 Recommendation on a unified approach to insolvency procedures for SMEs. Further details have been published on the Academic Forum website, where a Draft Programme and Conference Registration Form are available.

3. Joint Academic Conference with Nottingham Law School (NLS) and Radboud University (RUN) (Nottingham, Thursday 25-Friday 26 June 2015)

The Academic Forum and the Nottingham Law School will be organising a second event in June 2015 to be co-hosted by the Radboud University (Nijmegen). The theme of the

conference will be on “Reimagining Rescue” and will focus on modern approaches towards the rescue imperative with views being forthcoming from the academic, judicial and practitioner communities. The launch of the conference together with further details on the programme, speakers and registration is expected to occur in February. Details will be published on the Academic Forum website when available.

C – Upcoming Events (Cognate Associations)

4. INSOL International Academics’ Group Conference (San Francisco, Saturday 21-Sunday 22 March 2015)

Details of the Provisional Programme and Conference Registration for the 17th meeting of the international group in San Francisco on Saturday 21-Sunday 22 March 2015 have also been published on the Academic Forum website. Further information is available from Professor Ian Fletcher, the Chair of the Group, by e-mail at: <i.f.fletcher@ucl.ac.uk>.

D - Book Projects/Conference Reports

The Technical Series of publications will shortly be joined by a new volume, to be released at the Trier conference. The text, titled: “International Insolvency Law: Future Perspectives” contains re-edited, revised and updated versions of the Edwin Coe Lectures delivered from 2008 to 2014. The book also commemorates the Tenth Anniversary of the founding of the Academic Forum in Prague 2004.

Other ongoing publication projects include the Leiden 2014 conference booklet, which will be edited by Professors Michael Veder and Paul Omar and is to be published by the Netherlands Association of Comparative and International Insolvency Law, and the Istanbul 2014 booklet, which Professor Rebecca Parry will be editing. Both publications will appear in the course of 2015.

Further information will be circulated on the availability of all publications in due course via the IEAF website, which may be found at: <<http://www.insol-europe.org/publications/technical-series-publications>>.

E – Newsletter Appeal for Information

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