**Biographies**

**Panel 1:**

**John Linarelli** is Professor of Law and Legal Theory and Head of School at Swansea University School of Law in Wales, United Kingdom. He has served in academic posts on both sides of the Atlantic, as a tenured professor in the United States and now holding a personal chair at Swansea. Professor Linarelli’s research is in two connected areas. First, he has longstanding interests in law and globalization, in particular on how law transcends normative orders tied to states and political borders. Second, he works in philosophy of law. An example of his recent research combining both of these areas is his article “Analytical Jurisprudence and the Concept of Commercial Law,” in the Penn State Law Review. Professor Linarelli is Chair of the American Society of International Law International Legal Theory Interest Group (ILTIG). Among his more recent works is his co-editing of Chios Carmody, Frank Garcia, & John Linarelli eds., Global Justice and International Economic Law: Opportunities and Prospects (Cambridge University Press, 2012), a collection of papers from a symposia he co-chaired under the auspices of the ILTIG.

**Sagi Peari** is a SJD Candidate at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law whose doctoral dissertation deals with various theoretical dimensions of private international law. Peari is a holder of the prestigious Joseph-Armand Bombardier CGS doctoral fellowship. He received his LL.B from Tel Aviv University and his LL.M also from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law. He has published one of his articles in the Canadian Journal of Law and Jurisprudence and has also presented his works at conferences at Osgoode Hall Law School, McMaster University, King’s College London, and Yale Law School.

**Robert Wai** has been a professor at Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, since 1998 and has served as associate dean of the school and as director of its Centre for Public Law and Public Policy. He previously worked as a law clerk to Justice Gerard La Forest at the Supreme Court of Canada, and as a lawyer at law firms in Vancouver and New York. He completed his B.Com. in economics at McGill University, an L.L.B. degree at UBC, an M.Phil. in international relations as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University and his S.J.D in international law at Harvard Law School. His research focuses on transnational economic governance through plural systems of public and private law.

**Trey Childress** joined Pepperdine University School of Law faculty in 2008, and is a Visiting Associate Professor of Law at Washington and Lee. Prior to becoming a professor at Pepperdine, he was associated with the international law firm Jones Day in Washington, D.C., as a member of their Issues and Appeals practice, where he focused on Supreme Court litigation, general appellate litigation, and significant motions practice in trial litigation. While in private practice, his appellate representations included preparation of writs of certiorari, merits briefs, and amicus briefs in the U.S. Supreme Court. Professor Childress has briefed and argued appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and has briefed matters in numerous other trial and appellate courts in the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Seventh, and D.C. Circuits, as well as in various state courts. He has significant private practice experience in complex civil procedure, conflict of laws, constitutional law, immigration law, international dispute resolution, federal Indian law, and national security law, including cases related to the war on terror. He maintains an active pro bono practice. During his time in Washington, D.C., Childress co-taught a Supreme Court Litigation course at the Georgetown University Law Center and served as a “Justice” in the Georgetown University Law Center Supreme Court Institute.
Panel 2:

Louise Ellen Teitz is First Secretary at The Hague Conference on Private International Law in The Hague, The Netherlands, with primary responsibility for family law areas, including the 1980 Child Abduction Convention, the 1996 Child Protection Convention, and related projects including surrogacy, civil protective orders, and cross-border recognition of mediated agreements. She is also Professor of Law at Roger Williams University School of Law in Bristol, Rhode Island, USA.

Professor Teitz’s academic areas of expertise include private international law, international family law, civil procedure, international litigation and dispute resolution, comparative law, and professional responsibility. She is a graduate of Yale College and Southern Methodist University School of Law. After law school, she clerked for Judge John R. Brown of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and practiced law for several years with law firms in Dallas, Texas, and Washington, D.C. In addition to prior teaching experience at several prestigious U.S. law schools (University of Illinois College of Law, Washington & Lee University School of Law, Rutgers University School of Law- Camden), she has been on the faculties of the University of Konstanz in Germany and the University of Bern in Switzerland. She currently is working on a West Casebook entitled Comparative Law with Peter Winship and a Second Edition of Transnational Litigation, her earlier treatise. Professor Teitz is active in the ABA, has chaired several committees and divisions, and is on the Council of the ABA Section of International Law. She is a member of the American Law Institute, the International Association of Procedural Law, The International Academy of Comparative Law, is a U.S. representative to the International Law Association’s International Commercial Arbitration Committee and International Consumer Protection Committee, on the Executive Committee of the American Branch of the International Law Association, and a member of ASADIP.

Dr. Alex Mills lectures at the Faculty of Laws, University College London. He joined UCL in 2011, after 5 years teaching at the University of Cambridge, where he previously completed his PhD and Masters degrees in law. He also has degrees in Philosophy and Law from the University of Sydney, Australia, as well as three years’ experience as a practising lawyer. In 2009 he published a book, based on his PhD thesis, entitled ‘The Confluence of Public and Private International Law – Justice, Pluralism and Subsidiarity in the International Constitutional Ordering of Private Law’. His research interests continue to cover both public and private international law, including particularly areas at their intersection, like jurisdiction, state immunity or international investment law. In 2010, he was awarded the American Society of International Law’s inaugural Private International Law Prize.

Stephanie Francq is a full time Professor in the University of Louvain Belgium where she teaches European Law and Conflict of Laws. She is Chair of European Law. Her research interests have always focused on the relationship between PIL and European law. Before returning to her “home” University as a Professor, she studied in the US (Berkeley), researched in Germany (MPI Hamburg) and in France (Paris II and Paris X) where she has also been teaching PIL.

Christopher Whytock is Professor of Law and Political Science at the University of California, Irvine, and a faculty affiliate of the UCI Center in Law, Society and Culture and the John & Marilyn Long U.S.-China Institute for Business and Law. He has taught courses on international law, international relations, foreign relations law, civil procedure, and business associations. His research focuses on transnational litigation, conflict of laws, international law, and the role of domestic law and domestic courts in global governance. His scholarship has appeared in law journals including Columbia Law Review, Cornell Law Review and New York University Law Review, and peer-reviewed social science journals including International Security.
Whytock previously taught at the University of Utah College of Law and practiced law as an associate at O’Melveny & Myers LLP and Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP. He received his Ph.D. in political science from Duke University; his J.D. and M.S. in Foreign Service from Georgetown University, where he was a Ford Foundation Fellow in Public International Law; and his B.A. in political science from UCLA.

**Panel 3:**

**Jacco Bomhoff** is currently a professor at London School of Economics Department of Law. His research interests lie mainly in the fields of conflict of laws, comparative constitutional law and 20th century history of legal thought. He is currently particularly interested in two projects that lie at intersections of these areas: (1) a comparative study of local understandings and implications of legal formality in different societal and legal domains, and (2) the role of fundamental rights in cases that transcend the boundaries of individual political communities.

Bomhoff studied law at Leiden University in the Netherlands, and at the University of Oxford, on a Dutch National Science Foundation Talent Scholarship. He also completed a program in political science at the Institut d’Études Politiques (SciencesPo) in Paris, France. Before coming to the LSE in 2008, he taught at Leiden University's Faculty of Law. In 2005 he received an Allen & Overy research scholarship for a study on European conflicts of jurisdiction law. In 2006 he spent a semester as a visiting assistant professor at the University of California – Hastings College of the Law.

**Charles Kotuby** counsels both private clients and sovereign governments in complex global disputes. His U.S.-based practice is focused on government regulation and federal appeals. He has authored briefs in more than a dozen cases before the U.S. Supreme Court and has argued cases concerning federal statutory and constitutional issues before the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Third, Sixth, and Ninth Circuits. His global practice is focused on international litigation and investment arbitration. He has counseled clients in both common and civil law systems, and frequently deals with novel issues of public and private international law. He has appeared as counsel in international matters both before the U.S. Supreme Court and the Court of Justice of the European Union, and has particular experience with investment treaty arbitrations before ICSID and ad hoc UNCITRAL bodies. In the past year, he has acted for a U.S. company to take domestic discovery in aid of litigation in the U.K., and on behalf of a foreign state and state officials sued in U.S. court.

Kotuby is an Adjunct Professor of Law at Washington & Lee University, where he teaches international litigation and arbitration. He has authored many scholarly works on matters of international law, and is currently the U.S. editor for Conflict of Laws.net (www.conflitoflaws.net), an online publication in cooperation with the Journal of Private International Law.

**Mark Fathi Massoud** is Assistant Professor in the Department of Politics and Legal Studies Program at the University of California, Santa Cruz. His research focuses on law and development in conflict settings and authoritarian regimes. His forthcoming book, Law's Fragile State: Colonial, Authoritarian, and Humanitarian Legacies in Sudan (Cambridge University Press, 2013), traces how colonial administrators, post-colonial governments, and international aid agencies have used legal tools and resources to promote stability in Sudan amidst political crisis or civil war. Previously, Massoud was a law professor at McGill University and a postdoctoral fellow at the Stanford University Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law. He holds JD and PhD degrees from the University of California, Berkeley.

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Julie Maupin is a lecturer in International Law and a Fellow at the Center for International and Comparative Law at Duke University School of Law. Ms. Maupin joined the Duke Law faculty in 2011. Her research focuses on international economic law and the ways in which it interacts with and impacts upon public and private rights at the transnational level. Her principle areas of expertise include international investment law, international trade law, international commercial arbitration, and international financial transactions. Much of her research investigates the interrelationship between these specialized bodies of law and the broader international law topics of human rights, sustainable development, and governance. Ms. Maupin regularly serves as an independent consultant on matters of international economic law and policy, including for the World Bank. She currently serves as a member of the UNCTAD ad hoc expert group on international investment law. Ms. Maupin received her JD and an MA in economics from Yale University. She expects to receive her PhD in International Law from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva, Switzerland in 2013.

Panel 4:

Cristián Gimenez Corte is a national from Argentina. He obtained his law degree (abogado) from the Universidad Nacional del Litoral (UNL), Santa Fe, Argentina, in December 1993. From 1994 to 2004 he worked as a trial lawyer and legal counsel and as a professor of General Theory of Law, and Private International Law at the UNL and the Universidad National de Rosario (UNR).

In 2004 he joined the United Nations. Since then he has served at the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB), the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the UN Office on Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA), all located in Vienna, Austria; and in the Office of Legal Affairs, New York, USA, where he currently serves as a legal officer.

In 2007 he obtained his PhD degree (Doctor en Derecho) from the UNR, with a dissertation on “Commercial Usages, Customary Law, and Lex Mercatoria in Latin America”, which was published by Editorial Abaco, Buenos Aires, 2010. He has published articles on private international law, public international law, international institutional law, international commercial law, and international drug law.

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Ralf Michaels is an expert in comparative law and conflict of laws, and a professor at Duke University School of Law. He has been a visiting professor at the Universities of Panthéon/Assas (Paris II), Princeton, Pennsylvania, Toronto, and the London School of Economics. Michaels has also held senior research fellowships at Harvard and Princeton, as well as the American Academy in Berlin and the Max Planck Institute for Private Law in Hamburg. In 2015, he will give a number of lectures on private international law at the Hague Academy for International Law.

Michaels’ current research focuses mainly on three issues: the role of domestic courts in globalization, the role of conflict of laws as a theory of global legal fragmentation, and the status and relevance of law beyond the state. He is the editor or co-editor of two special volumes of the American Journal of Comparative Law: "Beyond the State? Rethinking Private Law", 2008 (also published as a book) and "Legal Origins", 2009, as well as a book and a journal issue on conflict of laws: Conflict of Laws in a Globalized World (2007); Transdisciplinary Conflicts, Law and Contemporary Problems, 2008. In addition, he has authored numerous articles on all three topics. Michaels studied law at the Universities of Passau and Cambridge, UK.