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4th Biennial Global Immigration Law Conference

19–20 November 2009
Renaissance Chancery Court
London, England

Topics include:

- The state of the nations at a time of economic crisis
- Business visitors – the do's and the don'ts
- Skilled workers – the highly skilled and the global transfers
- Entrepreneurs and investors
- The European immigration scene
- The new US immigration law landscape following the inauguration of Barack Obama
- Hot tips for the future

This conference is recognised as the leading global immigration conference for immigration professionals and HR personnel.

Who should attend?

Immigration lawyers, policy-makers, in-house counsel, human resource managers and other parties interested in immigration matters.

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Conference Co-Chairs

Graeme Kirk *Gross & Co, Bury St Edmunds; IBA Public and Professional Interest Division Council Member*

Julia Onslow-Cole *PwC Legal LLP, London; Chair, IBA Charitable Trust*

Thursday 19 November

0800 – 1745 **Registration**

0800 – 0900 **Welcome coffee/tea**

0900 – 0910 **Opening remarks by Conference Co-Chairs**

0910 – 1030 **Plenary session**

The state of the nations at a time of economic crisis

Immigration remains a political hot potato throughout the world, and attitudes have changed dramatically as a result of the world economic recession. What is the future for global immigration, and are the barriers going to go up for the next few years? This session will discuss these and many other key issues.

Moderator

Julia Onslow-Cole

Keynote Speaker

Rt Hon Phil Woolas MP *Minister of State for Borders and Immigration, Home Office, London (invited)*

Speakers

Gareth Davies *UKI Lead for People Mobility Management, Relocation Management Solutions, Accenture, London*

Prof David Metcalf *Migration Advisory Committee, London School of Economics, London*

David Wilden *Minister for Immigration, Regional Director Europe, Australian High Commission, London*

Bernard Wolfsdorf *President of AILA, Wolfsdorf Immigration Law Group, Santa Monica*

1030 – 1100 **Coffee/tea break**

1100 – 1230 **Plenary session**

The state of the nations at a time of economic crisis (continued)

Keynote Speaker

Damian Green MP *Shadow Minister for Immigration, Ashford, Kent*

Speakers

Anne Arnott *Director General, Canadian High Commission, London*

Keith Best *Immigration Advisory Service, London*

Carole Crossley *Vice-President, HR International Mobility, BP, Sunbury-on-Thames*

Raul Trujillo Herrera *Legal Officer, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Coordination of Social Security Schemes, Free Movement of Workers, European Commission, Brussels*

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break sponsor**



1230 – 1330 **Lunch**

1330 – 1500

Business visitors – the do's and the don'ts

Advising your business clients on how they can undertake business visits is becoming increasingly complicated – an expert panel will discuss these difficult issues.

Moderator

Laura Devine *Laura Devine Solicitors, London*

Speakers

Bernard Caris *Liedekerke Wolters Waelbroeck & Kirkpatrick, Brussels*

Nichola Carter *Penningtons Solicitors LLP, London*

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Secretary and Newsletter Editor, IBA Immigration and Nationality Law Committee

Katie Malyon *Katie Malyon & Associates, Sydney*

Caterina Nägeli *Bürgi Nägeli Rechtsanwälte, Zurich*

1500 – 1530 **Coffee/tea break**

1530 – 1745

Skilled workers – the highly skilled and the global transfers

With the current world economic recession, many countries are raising the barriers for skilled and highly skilled workers as well as global transfers. An expert panel will discuss these issues with appropriate case studies.

Moderator

Sergio Karas *Karas & Associates, Toronto*

Speakers

Enrique Arellano *Enrique Arellano Rincon Abogados SC, Mexico City;*

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1930 **Cocktail reception and conference dinner**

The Old Hall

Lincoln's Inn

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Friday 20 November

0800 – 1745 **Registration**

0800 – 0830 **Welcome coffee/tea**

0830 – 1030

Entrepreneurs and investors

This session will provide an overview of key business and investor categories in a number of major jurisdictions.

Moderator

Graeme Kirk

Speakers

Shalini Agarwal *ALMT Legal, Mumbai; Corporate Counsel Forum*

Liaison Officer, IBA Immigration and Nationality Law Committee

Timur Beslangurov *VISTA Foreign Business Support, Moscow*

Gabrielle Buckley *Vedder Price PC, Chicago*

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Ben Sheldrick *Magrath LLP Solicitors, London*

Robert Walsh *Fragomen Global, Sydney*

1030 – 1100 **Coffee/tea break**

1100 – 1300

The current European immigration scene

This session will provide an overview of the current European immigration scene both from a European and a national context.

Moderator

Prof Elspeth Guild *Kingsley Napley, London*

Speakers

Ted L Badoux *Everaert Advocaten, Amsterdam*

Marla Bojorge *Attorneys in Spain, Valencia*

Stephane Coulaux *CMG Legal, Paris*

Roland Dahlman *Dahlman Advokatbyra, Stockholm*

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Marco Mazzeschi *Mazzeschi SRL, Milan*

Mariann Norrbom *Norrbom Vinding, Copenhagen*

Bettina Offer *Offer & Mastmann, Frankfurt am Main*

1300 – 1400 **Lunch**

1400 – 1530

The current US immigration law landscape following the inauguration of Barack Obama

This session will review recent key developments in US immigration law and policy:

- New US immigration laws – what happened in Congress in 2009?
- New trends in workplace enforcement against employers
- Changes affecting work visas and the labour certification system for permanent sponsorship
- Future changes in US immigration law and policy – what lies ahead?

Moderator

Scott Borene *Borene Law Firm, Minneapolis*

Speakers

Mary E Pivec *Keller & Heckman LLP, Washington DC*

Liam Schwartz *Liam Schwartz & Associates, Israel*

Kathleen Walker *Past President of AILA, Brown McCarroll LLP, El Paso*

Bernard Wolfsdorf

1530 – 1600 **Coffee/tea break**

1600 – 1730

Hot tips for the future

The conference will end with a panel of national experts who will discuss current hot topics and likely changes to immigration law in their jurisdictions in the near future.

Moderator

Howard D Greenberg *Greenberg Turner, Toronto*

Speakers

David L Bitel *Parish Patience Immigration Lawyers, Sydney*

Poorvi Chothani *LawQuest, Mumbai*

Edward Lehman *Lehman Lee & Xu, Beijing*

Martin Muhleder *PwC Legal LLP, London*

Karen Sturtivant *Sturtivant & Co, London*

Jim Trueick *O'Donnell Sweeney Eversheds, Dublin*

1730 – 1745 **Closing remarks by the IBA Immigration and Nationality Law Committee Chair**

Gary Eisenberg

1745 – 1930 **Cocktail reception**

The Lounge

Renaissance Chancery Court

Exhibitors



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Information

Date

19–20 November 2009

Venue

Renaissance Chancery Court
252 High Holborn
London WC1V 7EN
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Language

All working sessions and conference materials will be in English.

How to register

Register online by **12 November** at www.int-bar.org/conferences/conf283 and make payment by credit card, to avail of the ten per cent online registration discount or complete the attached registration form and return it to Angela Chapman at the IBA together with your payment. You should receive e-mailed confirmation of your registration within five days; if you do not then please contact Angela Chapman at angela.chapman@int-bar.org.

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	on or before 16 October	until 12 November
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Young lawyers (under 30 years)	£450	£825
Academics/judges (full time)	£450	£825
Corporate counsel	£540	£825
Guest	£35	£35

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Hard copy registration forms and fees received:

	on or before 16 October	after 16 October
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Cocktail reception and conference dinner	£75	£75

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- (2) Receipt of *IBA E-news* and access to online versions of *International Bar News*.
- (3) Pay the member rate for any subsequent conference registrations for this calendar year.
- (4) Take advantage of IBA Special Offers.

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The IBA offers senior lawyers a discounted registration fee. Please contact the IBA office for further information.

Full payment must be received in order to process your registration.

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- * Conference materials, including any available speakers' papers submitted to the IBA before 6 November
- * Access to the above conference working materials from the IBA website (www.ibanet.org) approximately seven days prior to the conference
- * Lunch on 19 and 20 November
- * Tea and coffee during breaks
- * Invitation to cocktail reception on 20 November

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List of participants

In order for your name to appear in the list of participants, which will be distributed at the conference, your registration form must be received by **12 November** at the latest.

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All documentation regarding your attendance at the conference can now be obtained from the IBA website. Upon receipt of your payment for the conference a confirmation e-mail will be sent containing instructions on how to download the documents. Registration confirmation will not be distributed by post.

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Deluxe single:
£260 (breakfast is included, service charge and VAT is excluded)

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£270 (breakfast is included, service charge and VAT is excluded)

Subject to availability, the rates quoted apply if booked by **16 November** via the official accommodation agent, Judy Lane Consulting (JLC). This is a limited block of rooms so please book early as rates and availability cannot be guaranteed. To make a reservation complete the 'Accommodation form' and return to JLC as soon as possible to benefit from the special IBA rate:

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All reservations will be acknowledged, by e-mail, within 48 hours of receipt. Bookings cannot be made without a credit card number. Any subsequent amendment to your reservation must be made in writing to JLC. If you do not receive e-mail confirmation of your reservation or amendment/cancellation, please contact JLC by telephone. Subject to availability, JLC can accept reservations up until **16 November**. Thereafter, all reservations should be made direct with the hotel, quoting 'IBA Conference' as the reference.

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Please apply for your visa in good time.

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Social programme

Thursday 19 November

1930
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The Old Hall
Lincoln's Inn
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Friday 20 November

1745 – 1930
Cocktail reception
The Lounge
Renaissance Chancery Court

Registration form

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19–20 November 2009, Renaissance Chancery Court, London, England

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Social functions

Thursday 19 November

Cocktail reception and conference dinner

The Old Hall, Lincolns Inn

Number of tickets x _____ @ £75 £

Friday 20 November

Cocktail reception

The Lounge, Renaissance Chancery Court

Number of tickets x _____ @ Free Free

Please note that social function tickets are only available to delegates and their registered guests.

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Smoking

Non smoking

Special requirements _____

(We will do our best to accommodate these requests but cannot make any guarantees.)

Accommodation guarantee

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Type of card _____ Expiry date _____

Name on card _____

Card number _____

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Immigration and Nationality Law Committee overview

The **Immigration and Nationality Law Committee** is concerned with all aspects of immigration and nationality law on a worldwide basis, including business-related immigration, family reunion policies, refugees and compassionate cases.

The Committee aims to provide a forum for the discussion of comparative data on immigration and nationality policies of countries worldwide.

The mission and focus of the Committee is to provide updates on immigration law for lawyers in their own country. The Committee also allows lawyers to provide input themselves and provides insight on procedures on immigration law in other jurisdictions. We achieve this by holding annual conferences and presentation of papers, newsletters and providing other online resources to enhance the knowledge of members in multiple jurisdictions.

European Regional Forum overview

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The goals of the forum include addressing current and long-term needs of the professional organisations and individual members within the geographical reach of the forum, as well as increasing membership and participation in the IBA and integrating them within the organisation. The forum will also facilitate cross-border activity between lawyers and bars in different European countries. The forum has particular focus on cross-disciplinary activities.

Contact information:

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