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The British Institute of International and Comparative Law in conjunction with the Law Society of Northern Ireland is pleased to announce an event commemorating the 30th anniversary of the opening for signature of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea ("UNCLOS").

UNCLOS, often referred to as "the Constitution of the Sea", now has over 160 States parties and is still attracting new ones. It sets the legal framework for all matters concerning the world's oceans, including navigation, piracy, maritime jurisdictional boundaries, continental shelf, living and mineral resources and protection of the marine environment.

This one and a half day conference will analyse the development of UNCLOS in its first 30 years and look ahead to the challenges of the future.

It will take place in the historic maritime city of Belfast in Northern Ireland and will bring together prominent UK and international experts in the field.

Speakers include:

David H Anderson CMG, Former Judge, International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Professor Richard Barnes, University of Hull

Jill Barrett, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Professor Alan Boyle, University of Edinburgh and Essex Court Chambers

Professor Robin Churchill, University of Dundee

Professor Malcolm D Evans OBE, University of Bristol

Stephen Fietta, Volterra Fietta

Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice, Queen Mary, University of London

Professor David Freestone, Sargasso Sea Alliance and George Washington University, USA

Professor Maria Gavouneli, University of Athens, Greece

Professor Shotaro Hamamoto, University of Kyoto, Japan

Dr Brian Jack, Queen's University Belfast

Dr Marie Jacobsson, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden,

UN International Law Commission and University of Lund

Dr Ronán Long, National University of Ireland Galway

Professor David M Ong, Nottingham Trent University

Professor Nilufer Oral, Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey

Dr Lindsay Parson, Maritime Zone Solutions Ltd, UK

Professor Catherine Redgwell, University College London

The Honourable Mr Justice Weatherup, High Court of Northern Ireland

Chris Whomersley, Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Sir Michael Wood KCMG, 20 Essex Street Chambers and UN International Law Commission

Samuel Wordsworth, Essex Court Chambers

Professor Keyuan Zou, University of Central Lancashire

SUMMARY PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 22

- 12.30 – 13.30 *Registration with sandwich lunch*
- 13.30 – 14.00 *Welcome*
Introductory remarks on the 30th anniversary of UNCLOS
- 14.00 – 15.30 *Panel 1*
Recent developments and new challenges to UNCLOS
- 16.00 – 17.30 *Panel 2*
The outer continental shelf (beyond 200 nautical miles)
- 19.00 *Reception at the Titanic Belfast*
All speakers and delegates invited

FRIDAY 23

- 9.00 – 10.30 *Panel 3*
Jurisdiction and governance in international waters
- 11.00 – 12.30 *Panel 4*
Protecting the marine environment
- 13.30 – 15.00 *Panel 5*
Settlement of disputes under UNCLOS
- 15.00 – 15.30 *Concluding remarks*
Looking to the future

Please note the timings and format of individual panels may change.

The start and finish time of the conference will not change.

A full programme will be available online, via www.biicl.org/events

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