



## Annual Conference of the Irish Association of Law Teachers, 2019

*Limerick Strand Hotel, 22-24 November 2019*

*'Beyond Borders: Collegiality and Collaboration in Law'*

Following a very successful Spring Discourse held at King's Inns in April 2019, the Irish Association of Law Teachers is delighted to announce that its annual conference will take place at the Limerick Strand Hotel from Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th of November 2018. This year's conference will mark the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the foundation of the Association.

### Conference Theme

The theme of the conference is *Beyond Borders: Collegiality and Collaboration in Law*. The Plenary session on Saturday 23 November will be a moderated panel discussion with on the theme of the conference followed by a roundtable discussion on the futures of legal collaboration on the Island of Ireland. Confirmed speakers for the plenary session include Aoife O Donoghue (Durham University), Tobias Lock (Maynooth University) and Catherine O Rourke (Ulster University).

### Conference Format

The IALT conference is famous for its friendly and supportive atmosphere. Many speakers use the opportunity to present work in progress.

The conference will begin on Friday afternoon with a buffet dinner. On Saturday morning there will be parallel sessions, with the plenary lecture and roundtable in the afternoon. In line with IALT tradition, there will be a cultural outing after the plenary session. The AGM of the Association will be held at 6pm on Saturday, at which the Council for the 2019-2020 year will be elected. The AGM will be followed by a drinks reception and Gala Dinner. The Kevin Boyle Book Prize will be awarded at the

Conference Dinner. There will be more parallel sessions on Sunday, and the conference will conclude with Sunday lunch.

### Call for Papers

The Council of the Irish Association of Law Teachers welcomes papers on all areas of substantive law and on any issue relating to legal education. Presentations are not restricted to the theme of the conference, although abstracts engaging with the theme are of course also welcome. Participants are also encouraged to propose panels addressing specific themes any area of legal research or law teaching.

Abstracts (300 words maximum) should be submitted to [conference@ialt.ie](mailto:conference@ialt.ie) by **Friday 13 September 2019**.

### Venue and Accommodation

The Limerick Strand Hotel is located on the Ennis Road in Limerick City Centre and overlooks the River Shannon. It is 1.2 Km from Limerick train and bus station. Underground car parking is available with an overnight rate of €8.50

For further details see <https://www.strandhotellimerick.ie>

The hotel is offering a special conference rate of €129 per night, Bed and Breakfast based on single occupancy. **To avail of this special bed and breakfast rate, attendees must book their rooms directly with the hotel before 22 October 2019**

For double occupancy, the special rate is €72pp sharing per night, which also includes breakfast and is subject to the same time limit for booking as above.

### Conference Fees

Conference fees include attendance at the conference and all coffee breaks, lunches, dinners, receptions and a social outing but exclude accommodation.

Conference fees may be paid by Paypal at <http://www.ialt.ie/payment/> or by cheque addressed to the Irish Association of Law Teachers.

There are five categories of conference fee:

*(a) Conference fee for IALT members: €160 / £140*

This fee is for existing members of the IALT (who have a standing order for IALT membership or have recently purchased membership through Paypal).

*(b) Conference fee including membership of the IALT: €180 / £160*

This fee is for those wishing to attend the conference but who are not already IALT members. It includes membership for the 2019/2020 year.

*(c) Conference Day Rate for IALT Members: €90/£80*

This rate is available to members who wish to attend either the Saturday or Sunday of the conference, including lunches. Please note that attendance at the annual dinner will incur an additional charge for those paying the day rate.

Delegates who are not members and who wish to avail of this rate should purchase membership either by standing order or by Paypal (€20/£18 per annum).

*(d) Conference Saturday Day Rate including Dinner for IALT Members: €135*

This rate is available to members who wish to attend the Saturday conference, including lunch and the annual dinner.

Delegates who are not members and who wish to avail of this rate should purchase membership either by standing order or by Paypal (€20/£18 per annum).

*(e) Discounted Student rate: €90/£80 (for Postgraduate Members)*

'Postgraduate member' for this purpose means a postgraduate research student who is a member of the IALT who is pursuing a research degree, excluding staff who are employed full-time in a teaching/research role.

This reduced fee entitles Postgraduate Members to attend all the events and meals of the conference from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon.

Postgraduates who are not members must pay the membership fee of €20/£18 in addition to the discounted student rate of €90/£80.

### Payment Methods

Payment for the conference may be made:

- online at <http://www.ialt.ie/payment/>
- by cheque made payable to the Irish Association of Law Teachers, to be posted to Dr Stephen Coutts, Treasurer, IALT, School of Law, University College Cork, Cork.

- if your home institution has agreed to pay directly, please contact Dr Coutts to have an invoice issued to your home institution

### Matheson Postgraduate Scholarships

Three scholarships are available to postgraduate students wishing to present a paper at the 2019 IALT Annual Conference. These scholarships will cover the cost of accommodation, reasonable travel costs within Ireland, and the conference fee of the successful applicants.

Scholarship applications will be judged on the basis of the coherence, originality, and topicality of the submitted abstract. While previous winners of the scholarships are eligible to apply and their abstracts will be considered, although preference will be given to new applicants.

Those interested in applying for this scholarship should email an abstract to [conference@ialt.ie](mailto:conference@ialt.ie) by **Friday 13 September 2019**. Applicants should set out the title of their proposed paper, their institutional affiliation and an abstract of no more than 500 words. 'Matheson Postgraduate Scholarship Application' should be specified as the subject of the email.

### Booking

Delegates intending to attend the conference are asked to email [conference@ialt.ie](mailto:conference@ialt.ie) to confirm their attendance, specifying if they are coming for the entire conference or as a day delegate. Please also include any special dietary requirements in this email.