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26–28 June 2011

**InterContinental London Park Lane Hotel
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Working programme
and list of participants

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Andrew Haynes *Associate General Counsel, Global Corporate BP p.l.c., London, United Kingdom; Vice-Chair, IEL International Practice Committee*

Paul Stockley *Bond Pearce LLP, London, United Kingdom; Membership Officer, IBA Oil and Gas Law Committee*

Sunday 26 June

1900

Opening reception

The Royal Courts Of Justice

All delegates and registered guests may attend.

Monday 27 June

All working sessions will take place in Ballroom 1

All coffee/tea breaks will take place in Ballroom 3

0800 – 1730 **Registration**

Ballroom Foyer

0900 – 0915 **Welcome, overview and introductions**

Stephen F. Gates *Special Counsel, Mayer Brown LLP, Houston, Texas; Chair, Institute for Energy Law*

Arent van Wassenae *Allen & Overy LLP, Amsterdam, The Netherlands; Chair, IBA Section on Energy, Environment, Natural Resources and Infrastructure Law*

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International regulatory update module

Module Chair

Paul Griffin *Allen & Overy LLP, London, United Kingdom; Senior Vice-Chair, IBA Oil and Gas Law Committee*

0915 – 0945 **Legal issues in decommissioning of oil & gas facilities**

Recent developments in relation to decommissioning and abandonment of facilities, the effect of decommissioning security, and arrangements for the release of liabilities.

Malcolm Webb *Chief Executive, Oil & Gas UK, London, United Kingdom*

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0945 – 1030 **Case study – developing gas regulation from a blank sheet in Israel**

Over the last decade, the State of Israel has become a producer of natural gas and an importer of natural gas from Egypt. It has also been the venue of world class discoveries of new accumulations of natural gas. All this against the background of legislation made over 50 years ago and without, until now, appropriate fiscal arrangements.

Dan Hacohen *Rosenberg Hacohen Goddard & Ephrat, Tel-Aviv, Israel*

Renelle Joffe *Meitar Liquornik Geva & Leshem Brandwein, Tel-Aviv, Israel*

Arnold J Johnson *Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Noble Energy Inc, Houston, Texas, USA; Co-Chair, IEL Annual Oil & Gas Law Conference*

1030 – 1050 **Coffee/tea break**

1050 – 1150 **Anti-Corruption session – UK Bribery Act – International implications**

Laws in the US and now in the UK have extra territorial effect and the intention of preventing corruption in the oil and gas sector. Will these laws achieve their intended effect?

Nick Benwell *Simmons & Simmons LLP, London, United Kingdom; Vice-Chair, IBA Anti-Corruption Committee*

Peter Crawley *Ethical Compliance Manager, BG Group plc, London, United Kingdom*

Warwick English *Associate Counsel, Shell International Ltd, London, United Kingdom*

Vivian Robinson QC *General Counsel, UK Serious Fraud Office, London, United Kingdom*

1150 – 1230 **Regulation of unconventional resources**

With the move in many jurisdictions towards the development of shale gas and other unconventional gas reserves by means of deviated drilling or fracturing, questions of concession conflict have arisen. This session will look at a case study of the recent case of *Bocardo SA v Star Energy*.

Julian Cridge *UK Head of Real Estate Litigation, SNR Denton, London, United Kingdom*

Neil Q Miller *Norton Rose LLP, London, United Kingdom*

1230 – 1400 **Hosted luncheon**

Ballroom 2

Keynote speaker

Dr Jonathan Stern *Director of Gas Research, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies, London, United Kingdom*

Developments in European & International gas markets

Merger & Aquisitions module

Module Chair

Geraint Hughes *Managing Partner, Clifford Chance, Singapore*

1400 – 1440 **NOC investment strategies**

What are the key drivers and techniques used by national oil companies and champions when investing overseas? We look at some recent examples, focusing on Chinese outbound deals and some key inbound issues, using Australia as an example.

Ian Cochrane *Clifford Chance, Perth, Western Australia, Australia*

Kathy Honeywood *Clifford Chance, London, United Kingdom*

Tim Wang *Clifford Chance, Beijing, China*

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1440 – 1515 **New partnerships with NOCs and national champions**

We discuss the trend of new partnerships with national oil companies and champions, using BP's approach with Reliance in the upstream and Shell's approach with Petrochina on Arrow.

Andrew Haynes *Associate General Counsel, Global Corporate BP p.l.c., London, United Kingdom; Vice-Chair, IEL International Practice Committee*

Stephen Rees *Associate General Counsel, Commercial, New Business & LNG, Shell International BV, London, United Kingdom*

1515 – 1535 **Coffee/tea break**

1535 – 1620 **Energy M&A in an era of change: after Macondo, North Africa, and ?**

This session will focus on how the world of M&A in the upstream is changing and may change as a result of dramatic recent events.

David Asmus *Head of Energy Transactions Practice, Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, Houston, Texas, USA; IEL Vice-Chair for Strategic Planning*

Andrew Derman *International Energy Practice Group Leader, Thompson + Knight LLP, Dallas, Texas, USA*

Alex Msimang *Vinson & Elkins LLP, London, United Kingdom*

Penelope Warne *Head of Energy, CMS Cameron McKenna LLP, London, United Kingdom*

1620 – 1705 **Energy M&A review**

An update on key developments globally in the law and practice of M&A in the oil and gas sector, and likely trends for 2011-2012.

Jim Morphy *Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, New York, New York, USA*

Stephen Murray *Herbert Smith LLP, London, United Kingdom*

1705 **Adjourn**

1930 **Conference reception and dinner**

Skinner's Hall

Ticket price: £95 Dress code: business

Entry to this dinner is by ticket only.

Delegates need to meet at 1845 by the IBA registration desk for transport to the dinner venue.

Keynote speaker

Rupert Bondy *Group General Counsel, BP p.l.c., London, United Kingdom*

Crisis management considerations for lawyers

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Luncheon and refreshment break sponsors



Exhibitors



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0830 – 1600 **Registration**
Ballroom Foyer

Regional update module

Module Chair

Marco Bollini *General Counsel Extra Europe Business, Midstream Oil and Reserves ENI UK Ltd, London, United Kingdom*

0900 – 0930 **Iraq update**

A year and a half after the signature of Iraqi Technical Services Agreements, could this contract be considered as a model for other countries? What legal challenges have arisen during its implementation so far?

Stephen Millar *CMS Cameron McKenna LLP, Aberdeen, United Kingdom*

0930 – 1000 **East Africa update**

East Africa as a new frontier for exploration and production of hydrocarbons: a comparative analysis of the legal frameworks and some recent cases in the region.

Nicholas Bonnefoy *Gide Loyrette Nouel LLP, London, United Kingdom*

1000 – 1030 **Arctic exploration update**

Another frontier for upstream activities: this session will address aspects of the legal regime in the Arctic and will propose a possible contractual framework for development of assets in the area.

Daniel Tyrer *Linklaters LLP, London, United Kingdom*

1030 – 1050 **Coffee/tea break**

1050 – 1120 **North Africa update**

An update of the legal issues affecting investments and operations in light of recent developments in North African countries, with particular focus on Libya.

David Asmus *Head of Energy Transactions Practice, Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, Houston, Texas, USA; IEL Vice-Chair for Strategic Planning*

1120 – 1200 **Brazil update**

Brazil is developing into one of the world's great oil and gas exploration and production areas with the discovery of the Pre-Salt fields in 2007. The recent legislative amendments creating new forms of statutory joint ventures with the national oil company Petrobras create new opportunities for IOCs and suppliers. Brazil is also the world leader in biofuels and ethanol. This session will provide an overview of current developments in the energy sector in Brazil.

José Virgílio Lopes Enei *Machado Meyer Sendacz e Opice Advogados, São Paulo, Brazil*

1200 – 1330 **Hosted luncheon**

Ballroom 2

Keynote speaker

Peter J Rees, QC *Legal Director, Royal Dutch Shell plc, London, United Kingdom*

Dispute resolution in oil & gas

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Dispute resolution module

Presented in cooperation with *The Institute for Transnational Arbitration*

Module Chair

Carole Malinvaud *Gide Loyrette Nouel LLP, Paris, France; Chair, IBA Conflicts of Interest Subcommittee, IBA Arbitration Committee Programs Co-Chair, ITA Advisory Board*

Hot topics and recent cases in oil & gas arbitration

1330 – 1400 **Overview of leading recent cases in oil & gas involving states and/or noCs**

This session will focus on selected recent cases such as the latest Yukos developments and other cases relating to stabilization clauses, and will derive the lessons which may be learned from these cases by practitioners involved in drafting contracts and/or negotiating with state entities.

Sophie Nappert *3 Verulam Buildings, London, United Kingdom*

1400 – 1430 **A practical discussion of claims, issues and interim measures facing parties in an energy dispute**

Even in the most amicable of relations between energy companies and States, disputes inevitably arise. If they reach the stage of no longer being amicably resolvable, what types of claims and issues are typically seen by arbitral tribunals? We will discuss several of the most common claims and counterclaims in such an energy dispute as well as some of the interim actions the parties or the tribunal can put into effect.

Michael Goldberg *Baker Botts LLP, Houston, Texas, USA*

1430 – 1500 **Third parties' participation in oil & gas arbitration: transparency and confidentiality in question**

Recent cases have admitted amici curiae in investment arbitration (ICSID, NAFTA, ECT, BIT, new model BIT, UNCITRAL Working Group on Transparency in Investment Arbitration, etc.). What is the rationale underlying this trend and should it apply in disputes relating to oil & gas? What are the procedural challenges and practical impact of third party participation, including cost – benefit analysis?

Brigitte Stern *Professor of International Law, University of Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris, France*

1500 – 1520 **Coffee/tea break**

Effective management of international arbitration

1520 – 1545 **Recent reforms in international arbitration**

In response to practitioners' criticism and to the need for procedural improvements, and as a result of acute competition among places of arbitration, and among arbitration institutions and organizations, the arbitration community is undergoing a number of reforms. This panel will give an overview of ongoing or recent major reforms or modernizations in international arbitration proceedings. What are the underlying goals? Are they being achieved?

Lucy Reed *Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer US LLP, New York, New York, USA; Chair, ITA Advisory Board*

1545 – 1630 **Dialogue amongst practitioners on the way forward**

A panel consisting of a corporate lawyer, an arbitrator and a private practice lawyer will address a series of practical questions from their own perspectives, such as: What are the final customer concerns, and are they being properly addressed by the recent trend of reforms?; How can we improve the system to achieve a cost and time efficient process leading to an accurate and well-reasoned award?

Andrew Clarke *General Counsel, Esso UK Limited, Surrey, United Kingdom; Chair, Corporate Counsel International Arbitration Group (CCIAG)*

Jean-Yves Garaud *Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton, Paris, France*

Teresa Giovannini *Lalive Partners, Geneva, Switzerland*

1630 **Adjourn**



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