News from our Society

1. Election of a President-Elect

In accordance with our by-laws we are to elect a President-Elect of our Society. The election is to be held during our forthcoming Executive Committee meeting in Seville, on 21st September 2011. I have written to all of our member associations, to invite them to submit nominations no later than 21st June, 2011.

The President-Elect will take up as President of our Society at the closing ceremony of our XX World Congress, in Santiago de Chile, September 2012. His term will end in 2015, at the closing ceremony of the XXI World Congress (venue and dates to be decided in Seville).

2. Tenth European Regional Congress, Seville, 2011


The webpage of our forthcoming Tenth European Congress of Labour and Social Security Law, Seville, 21-23 September 2011, is online (URL above). Registration and hotel reservations can be made through the webpage.

Registration fees have been fixed as following:

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I strongly recommend you that you register as early as possible because the Auditorium of the Faculty of Law, where the Congress is to meet, can accommodate up to 400 delegates only. I’m urging the organizers to consider a bigger Meeting Hall if, as it is very likely there will be more than 400 delegates attending the Congress, but I can’t guarantee they will be able to meet my request.

Below is the Congress’ program:

**Wednesday, September 21**

10 am  ISL&SSL Executive Comitee meeting

**Opening Ceremony**

- Jesús Cruz Villalón, Vice-president of the Spanish Association for Labour and Social Security Law, AEDTySS
- Michal Seweryński, President, International Society for Labour and Social Security Law, ISL&SSL

5.30 pm  Theme I : Labour Law and Industrial Relations in the Light of the Economic and Social Changes

- General Reporter: Miguel Rodríguez-Piñero y Bravo-Ferrer (Spain)
- Chair: Jean-Michel Servais (Belgium)

8 pm  Welcome cocktail

**Thursday, September 22**

9.30 am  Theme II

Collective Bargaining Rights in a Globalized Economy

- General Reporter: Fausta Guarriello (Italy)
- Chair: Antoine Lyon-Caen (France)

10.30 am  Individual submissions on Theme II

11.15 pm  Wrap-up by the Chair

12 pm  Coffee Break

12.30 pm  Round Table: Public and private employment services as intermediaries in the hiring of workers

- Moderator: Remedios Roqueta Buj (Spain)
- Panelists:
  - Philippe Auvergnon (France)
  - Catherine Barnard (United Kingdom)
  - Jens Kristiansen (Denmark)
  - Arkadiusz Sobczyk (Poland)

5 pm  Round Table: Groups of people who risk labour and social protection

- Moderator: Steve Adler (Israel)
- Panelists:
  - Manfred Weiss (Germany)
  - Daria Chernyaeva (Russian Federation)
  - Julio Vieira Gomes (Portugal)
--- Teun Jaspers (Netherlands)

**Friday, September 23**

**9.30 am**
Theme III: Social Protection of the Unemployed
- General Reporter: Joszef Hajdu (Hungary)
- Chair: Ludwik Florek (Poland)

**10.30 am**
Individual submissions on Theme III

**11.15 pm**
Wrap-up by the Chair

**12 pm**
Coffee Break

**12.30 pm**
Workshop 1: The role of the judiciary vis a vis the changes in labour law
- Chair: Jean-Marc Béraud (France)
Workshop 2: Interruptions and suspensions of the employment relationship
- Chair: Ronnie Eklund (Sweden)

**2 pm**
Wrap-up of the Congress by Arturo Bronstein, Secretary General of ISL&SSL

**2.45 pm**
Closing ceremony
Fernando Valdés dal Ré, President of AEDTySS

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**3. XX World Congress of ISL&SSL, Santiago de Chile, 2012**


The Congress webpage is already online (see above), so far in Spanish only. English and French versions are forthcoming.

The Congress will be held from 25 to 28 September 2012.

The venue will be Hotel “W”. Isidora Goyenechea 3000, Las Condes, Santiago, Tel: (56) (2) 770 0000

Registration rates have been fixed as following:

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The following agenda has been agreed upon between the Organizing Committee and the officers of ISL&SSL

**Theme I:** The effectiveness of Labour Law and the role of the Labour Inspection. General Reporter, Giuseppe Casale (Italy/ILO)

**Theme II:** Mobbying and sexual harassment at the workplace. General co-reporters: José Luis Ugarte and Sergio Gamonal (Chile)

**Theme III:** Strike as a fundamental right and its possible collision with other fundamental rights of the citizens. General reporter: Bernd Waas (Germany)

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Round Tables:

- Labour Law: Its presente and future
- Litigation on labour law issues: present and future.

I have sent the questionnaires to our national associations, and asked them to appoint their national reporters by 31st March 2011. I warmly thank our associations from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Ireland and the US for having very rapidly appointed their reporters and urge all the other associations to do the same as early as possible, so that our general reporters can rely on worldwide information. Replies are expected to reach the general reporters no later than December 2011.

4. Meeting of the Executive Committee, Seville, 21st September 2011

This meeting will be held in the morning of 21st September, with continuation in the afternoon if needed. Subject to the approval of the officers, the following points will be included on the agenda:

(a) Admission of national associations as Members of ISL&SSL with full voting rights (this will need to be dealt with as a first item pursuant to the reform of our by-laws in Sydney, 2009);

(b) Admission of new members (applications received from Malaysia, India and Ireland);

(c) Election of a President Elect for 2012-2015;


(e) Format of our congresses and web page: (Report Servais)


The Institut d’Etudes du Travail de Lyon, IETL is organizing an International Seminar of Labour Law and Industrial Relations from 17 June 2011 to 8 July 2011, under the direction of Professor Marie-Ange Moreau. The theme of the Seminar will be: “The transformations of the collective representation of the workers: the role of the Law” and it will unfold in the continuity of the International Seminar of Bordeaux which was organized from 1999 to 2009 by Professor Philippe Auvergnon and the Comptrasec. Please, click here to download the programme. The European Commission will be co-financing the Seminar. Our Society can offer several fellowships to help young scholars and researchers to attend the Seminar. For more information and to apply, please e-mail to semil@univ-lyon2.fr

6. News from our members

Australia

I’m very pleased to announce that Professor Ron McCallum, former Chair of the Australian Labour Law Association has been named the 2011 Senior Australian of the Year.
Professor McCallum was recognized for his fervent pursuit of equal rights for people all over the world, having been the first totally blind person to be granted a full professorship at an Australian university. I warmly congratulate him for this well deserved award.

**Colombia**

New Executive Board of the Colegio de Abogados Especializados en Derecho del Trabajo, our Colombian national association:

Governor (Chair): Fabian Hernández Henriquez

Vice: Diana Maria Gomez Hoyos

Members

Ana María Muños Segura
Maria Lia Jaramillo Gómez
Juan Manuel Charria Segura
Carlos Javier Cadavid Morales
Andrés Fernando DaCosta Herrera
Ramiro Vargas Osorno
Alvaro Diego Roman Bustamante
Fernando Afanador Núñez
Néstor Medina González
Luis Eduardo Rojas Alfonso

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Ever Castro Rodríguez

Treasurer

Maria Alejandra Valdivieso Rojas

Secretary General

Edelberto Gómez Vergara


**Morocco**

I regret to announce the death of Professor Abdellah Boudahrain, whom for many years was a member of our Executive Committee.

**Philippines**

Our Philippine chapter intends to host in November 2011 a Regional Asian Conference with the themes Labour Law and Social Security Adjustment in Asia and the Pacific.

**Spain**

Professor Antonio Ojeda Avilés has confirmed that a new edition of the Advanced Course on Labour Law for postgraduates with the European Institute for International Relations, IERI, will be held in Seville from 29 August to 23 September 2011. The venue will be the Pabellón de México, University of Seville. Spanish and Portuguese will be the working languages. The cost of this Course is 800 euros. Please, [click here](http://www.asociacion.org.ar/ISLLSS/) to download the course’s brochure. For more information e-mail to: ieri.secretaria@hotmail.com

**Venezuela**

New Board of the Venezuelan Association of Labour Law Professors, our Venezuelan Chapter:
Chairperson: Napoleón Goizueta  
Secretary : Leticia Montilla  
Treasurer: Genaro Hanzen

I congratulate our colleagues from Fundacion Universitas, Barquisimeto, for the highly successful Seminar on Comparative Labour Law (in Spanish only) they have organized at the Universidad de Margarita, on Fundamental Rights at Work and Procedures before the Labour Courts. Our Society has co-sponsored the Seminar, for which it has awarded six fellowships.

Also, from 11 to 14 May the Fundacion Universitas has convened its Fifth International Congress; information available at [http://www.congresolaboralmargarita.com.ve/](http://www.congresolaboralmargarita.com.ve/).

7. ILO

From 18 to 21 April the ILO will be holding a Tripartite Meeting of Experts to Examine the Termination of Employment Convention, 1982 (No. 158), and the Termination of Employment Recommendation, 1982 (No. 166). This is at present perhaps the most controversial ILO convention. I would like to bring your attention to the background paper that the Office has prepared to support this discussion, which contains ten country studies (Australia, Chile, Gabon, Jordan, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Venezuela and Yemen) which review the relevant national legislation as well as many hyperlinks to international and national legislation. To download the paper, please [click here](http://www.ilo.org).

8. Books and Reviews

Professor Blanpain has sent me the announcement of the European Journal of Social Law. This is a quarterly publication journal devoted to labour and social security law at European and international levels. Publisher is die Keure Legal Publisher, Kleine Pathoekeweg 3, 8000 Brugge [Belgium] e-mail: juridische.uitgaven@diekeure.be, [www.diekeure-juridischeuitgaven.be](http://www.diekeure-juridischeuitgaven.be)


Kind regards

Arturo Bronstein  
Secretary General