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**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, 21st September 2011. Last March I wrote to all of our member associations, to invite them to submit nominations no later than 21st June, 2011.

In reply to this call, the following nominations have reached me:

The Argentinian Association for Labour and Social Security Law, AADTySS has nominated Professor Adrián Goldín (Argentina), and

The Venezuelan Association of Labour Law Professors has nominated Professor Oscar Hernández Álvarez (Venezuela).

CVs of both candidates are added at the end of this Bulletin. The election will be run by a secret ballot. Only national members of ISL&SSL with their dues paid until 2010 and honorary presidents of ISL&SSL are entitled to vote.

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). You are advised to use this webpage to register and make your hotel reservations.
Registration fees have been fixed as following:

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I strongly recommend 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.

Below is the Congress’ program:

**Wednesday, September 21**

10 am  ISL&SSL Executive Comittee meeting
5 pm  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)
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 noon  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

3. XX World Congress of ISL&SSL, Santiago de Chile, 2012
The Congress webpage is already online (see above), in English, French, Portuguese and Spanish.
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

Street address : ILO CH-1211 Genève 22 (Switzerland - Suisse) - Fax +41.22.799.87.49
Theme I: The effectiveness of Labour Law and the role of the Labour Inspection. General Reporter, Giuseppe Casale (Italy/ILO)

Theme II: Mobbing 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 conflict with other fundamental rights of the citizens. General reporter: Bernd Waas (Germany)

Round Table:

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

Questionnaires are online, on the Congress' webpage. They have also been sent to our national associations with the request that they appoint their national reporters as early as possible. I thank our associations from Argentina, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Germany, Ireland, Japan, New Zealand, Romania, Sweden, Taiwan, Uruguay and USA 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. The venue is the Faculty of Law and the meeting will start at 10 am on the dot. The following points are on the agenda:

(a) Record of attendance;
(b) Inauguration by the President;
(c) Report by the Secretary General;
(d) Admission of national associations as Members of ISL&SSL with full voting rights;
(e) Admission of new members (applications received from Malaysia, India and Ireland);
(f) Financial report by the Treasurer;
(g) Election of a President Elect for 2012-2015;
(h) Date and venue of our next congresses: Americas, 2013, Europe, 2014, World, 2015; Asian (proposal forthcoming);
(i) Format of our congresses and web page: (Report Servais)

5. News from our members

Belgium and the Netherlands

Professor Frank Hendrickx announces that Tilburg University is organizing a seminar in the context of the Inauguration of the European Labour Law Chair (Jean Monnet Chair). The title of this Seminar is: Integrating Foundations in Labour Law: Exercises in Contemporary Scholarship, and it will be held on 2 September 2011. The venue is Tilburg.
University: Warandelaan 2, 5037 AB Tilburg (The Netherlands), and registration is free of charge. If you wish to participate please send your name, title/function, organisation and address via e-mail to Ms. Annet van Huijkelom: E-mail: annet.vanhuijkelom@uvt.nl. For more details refer to webpage: www.tilburguniversity.edu/contact

**Chile**

The Chilean Society for Labour and Social Security Law has held its XVII National Meeting of Labour and Social Security Law at the Catholic University of Valparaiso, Chile. The agenda items were the following:

I. Current challenges in Labour Law (keynote speech)
II. New procedure and recourses in employment and labour litigation
III. Collective Bargaining and Strike in the Public Sector
IV. Legal protection in respect to occupational hazards.

The Chilean Society also held its General Assembly, during which the following authorities were elected:

Chair: Rafael Pereira L.
Secretary: María Cristina Gajardo H.
Treasurer: María Loreto Fierro F.
Directors: Irene Rojas, Sergio Gamonal, José Luis Ugarte, Rodolfo Walter, Rocio García de la Pastora, Eduardo Caamaño
Past Presidents: Francisco Walker, Alfredo Valdés, Emilio Morgado, Luis Lizama, Francisco Tapia

Additional information is available at [http://www.derecho-trabajo.cl/index.htm](http://www.derecho-trabajo.cl/index.htm)

**Colombia**

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

- Governor (Chair): Fabian Hernández Henríquez
- 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

Auditor
- Ever Castro Rodriguez

Treasurer
- María Alejandra Valdivieso Rojas

Secretary General
Philippines

Here are additional information on the Regional Conference on Labour and Social Security Law convened by our Philippine Chapter from 16 to 18 November 2011 in Manila.

Theme Tracks

I. Social Security Reform
II. Labour Law Reform
III. Informal Workers and Forms of Worker Organizations

Interested scholars/practitioners are invited to submit original paper proposals (in English). Theoretical, analytical, empirical or policy-oriented papers, national or comparative in orientation or scope, may be submitted. All proposals shall be subject to competitive review by the Scientific Committee, which shall also determine papers for oral or poster presentation. Authors whose proposals are selected should submit the first draft of the full version of the paper by September 15, 2011.

Paper proposals should be a maximum of two (2) pages and ought to outline the nature of the study, the methodology and the main lines of analysis to be developed. All proposals should be sent by electronic mail to: reneofreneo@yahoo.com

For other information, please contact Professor Bach Macaraya (bmacaraya@live.com), Chair of our Philippine chapter.

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 to download the course’s brochure. For more information e-mail to: ieri.secretaria@hotmail.com

Uruguay

I very much regret to announce the death of Professor Oscar Ermida Uriarte on June, 7, 2011. He was undoubtedly one of the leading Labour Law experts in his country and in Latin America, and was very well known through his impressive record of publications and participation in international meetings on Labour and Employment Law. He was a former President of the Uruguayan Association for Labour and Social Security Law and a Member of the Iberoamerican Academy of Labour and Social Security Law. Between 1986 and 2005 he worked for the ILO, first as a Regional Adviser in Labour Law an Labour Relations at the ILO Regional Office in Lima, and thereafter as Project Director of RELASUR, Montevideo, Specialist on ILO Standards and Labour Relations in Santiago de Chile and Deputy Director of CINTERFOR, Montevideo. In 2005 he resigned from ILO to take up a full time position as Professor of Law at the Universidad de la República, Montevideo. We will especially remember him for his role as a General Reporter at our
XIII World Congress, Athens, 1991. We convey our deep condolences to his family, to our Uruguayan colleagues and his numerous friends.

6. ILO

At its 100ª Session, June 2011, the ILO Conference adopted a new Convention (nº 189) and a new Recommendation (nº 201) on domestic workers. The new ILO standards set out that domestic workers around the world who care for families and households, must have the same basic labour rights as those available to other workers: reasonable hours of work, weekly rest of at least 24 consecutive hours, a limit on in-kind payment, clear information on terms and conditions of employment, as well as respect for fundamental principles and rights at work including freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining.

Recent ILO estimates based on national surveys and/or censuses of 117 countries, place the number of domestic workers at around 53 million. However, experts say that due to the fact that this kind of work is often hidden and unregistered, the total number of domestic workers could be as high as 100 million. In developing countries, they make up at least 4 to 12 per cent of wage employment. Around 83 per cent of these workers are women or girls and many are migrant workers. The Convention defines domestic work as work performed in or for a household or households. While the new instruments cover all domestic workers, they provide for special measures to protect those workers who, because of their young age or nationality or live-in status, may be exposed to additional risks relative to their peers, among others. For more information click here.

7. Books and Reviews

Professor Blanpain announces 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


Kind regards

Arturo Bronstein
Secretary General
ANNEX

Adrián Goldín (born 1946, Argentina)

- Full Professor of Labour and Social Security Law, Universidad de San Andrés, and part-time professor at the National University of Buenos Aires. Previous assignments include that of Permanent Researcher at the Institute of Legal Research, University of Buenos Aires and Director-Founder and scientific evaluator at the Secretary of Scientific Research of the National University of La Plata.
- Visiting Professor at the University of Paris 2, in 2000 and 2010.
- Visiting Professor in 2006 at the University of Nantes.
- Visiting Professor in 2011 at the National University of Colombia.
- In 2009 he was resident scholar at the Institut d’études avancées de Nantes, invited by Professor Alain Supiot (dir)
- Co-editor of the International Labour Review (ILO / Geneva). Is also a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of the Comparative Labor Law & Policy Journal, University of Illinois, the Editorial Board of the "Bulletin de droit comparé du travail et de la sécurité sociale", Université Montesquieu, Bordeaux, the Advisory Board of the Revista General de Derecho del Trabajo y SS, Madrid, the Editorial Board of Revista do TRT da 3ª Região, Minas Gerais, Brazil, and the Consultative Board of the Review Derecho del Trabajo (Argentina)
- Member of the Iberoamerican Academy of Labour and Social Security Law.
- Former President of the Argentinian Association for Labour and Social Security Law
- Former Under-Secretary of Labour at the Ministry of Labour and Social Security of Argentina.
- Former advisor to Parliament.
- Executive member of the committee that prepared the "White Paper on Employment" (Ministry of Labour, Argentina, 1995).
- Has published books, has participated in collective publications and has authored some 120 articles and research papers in Argentina and abroad.
- Has delivered numerous lectures at universities in Europe and North America. His latest publication is his contribution to the book "The Idea of Labour Law" (Davidov & Langille, eds), Oxford University Press, June 2011 (has authored Chapter 5 on "Global conceptualizations ... on the Idea of Labour Law").
- Has been General Reporter at the ISL&SSL XVI World Congress, Jerusalem, September 2000.
- Has been a member of the ILO Group of Independent Experts on Normative Action and Decent Work (ILO, Geneva, 2003/2004), made up of ten experts from different continents, coordinated by Professor Alain Supiot. This Group examined ways to extend social security in the world.

Oscar Hernández Alvarez (born 1945, Venezuela)

- Attorney at Law, Universidad Central de Venezuela.
- Further studies in Labour and Trade Union Law at University La Sapienza, Rome.
- Doctor of Laws (PhD), University of Carabobo, Venezuela.
- Judge at the Superior Court of Lara State, Venezuela, in administrative and labour jurisdictions.
• Professor of Labour Law, University Lisandro Alvarado, Barquisimeto, Venezuela. Has been the Head of the Department of Law, General Secretary and President of the Association of Professors of the University.

• Has taught in Post Graduate courses in the following universities in Venezuela: Carabobo, Catholic of Tachira, Zulia, Católica Andrés Bello, Rafael Urdaneta, Simon Rodriguez, Los Andes, Margarita.

• Visiting Professor at the Universities of Bordeaux I, France, Guayaquil, Ecuador, Institute of Iberoamerican Studies of the University of Salamanca and University of Seville, Spain. Guest lecturer at the Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra, Dominican Republic, University of Zacatecas, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, Mexico, Panama University, Panama, Universidad de la República, Uruguay, Universidad de Chile, Chile, Universidad Católica de Bogotá, Universidad del Rosario, Colombia, University of Vigo, Santiago de Compostela, Girona and Castilla La Mancha, Spain, Rome II, La Sapienza and Bologna, Italy, San Marcos, San Martin de Porres, Peru.

• Member of the Academic Committee of the Advanced Course for Graduated of the University of Seville.

• Member of the Jury of Selection of Professors at the University of Buenos Aires.

• Former President of the Venezuelan Association of Labour Law Professors.

• Former member of the Executive Board of the Venezuelan Industrial Relations Association (Member of IIRRA) and of the Editorial Board of the magazine ART.


• Former ILO official in the Freedom of Association Branch. Has also written studies and reports commissioned by the ILO and has been ILO advisor to the government of Honduras on the reform of the Labour Code. Has also advised the Ministry of Labour of the Dominican Republic on the reform of the Labour Code.


• Member of the Academy of Political Science, Venezuela and of the Iberoamerican Academy of Labour and Social Security Law (is the current Secretary of this Academy). Corresponding Member of the Academy of Sciences of the Dominican Republic. Member of the Research Promotion Program of Venezuela.

• Former Vice-President of IL&SSL and member of the Working Group appointed by the President of the Society to propose changes in working methods and organizational aspects of congresses and other activities of the Society.

• Member of the Board of the Latin American Association for the Sociology of Work. Member of the American Institute of Labour Law and the Iberoamerican Association of Labour and Social Security Law.

• He is the author or editor of 17 books and 87 published articles. Has been a speaker and participant in many conferences, seminars and national and international conferences on labour-related issues.

• Academic Coordinator of the International Congress of Labour and Social Security organized annually by the Universitas Foundation, Venezuela.