### You are invited to

# The Stockholm Oxford Law Symposium 2018

The Stockholm Centre for Commercial Law and the Faculty of Law at Stockholm University, have established a cooperation with the Faculty of Law at the University of Oxford, focused on the establishment of a research fellowship at the University of Oxford for Swedish academics.

The Stockholm Oxford Law Symposium is arranged for the fifth time by the Stockholm Centre for Commercial Law as a part of this cooperation and will take place on 6 and 7 September 2018 at Christ Church, Oxford.

The symposium is intended to bring together members of the law faculties in Stockholm and Oxford, as well as Swedish and international lawyers in public and private practice. The number of delegates at the symposium is limited, so an early registration is advisable.



## **PROGRAMME**

# Thursday 6 September

12.30-13.55	Lunch in Hall
14.00-15.15	Theme I: The challenges for funding the welfare state in a globalised economy
15.15-15.45	Coffee
15.45-17.00	Theme I continues
19.00-20.00	Pre-dinner drinks in Buttery Bar
20.00	Dinner in Hall
	Post-dinner drinks in the Buttery Bar

# Friday 7 September

07.30-09.00	Breakfast in Hall
09.00-10.15	Theme II: Social justice vs. private justice –
	externalities in international arbitration
10.15-10.45	Coffee
10.45-12.00	Theme II continues
12.00-13.00	Lunch in Hall
13.00-14.00	Guided tours of the College and the Picture Gallery
14.00-15.30	Theme III: Justice at a distance
15.30-16.00	Coffee
16.00-17.00	Theme III continues
18.00	Evensong in Christ Church Cathedral
19.00-20.00	Pre-dinner drinks in the Upper Library
20.00	Gala Dinner in Hall
	Post-dinner drinks in the Undercroft

# Saturday 8 September

07.30-09.00 Breakfast in Hall

With reservation for future adjustments of the programme.

#### **SEMINARS**

Overall theme:

## Traditional legal principles and the expectations of modern society

Globalisation, digitalisation, increased environmental awareness and political intervention through new channels are just a few of the trends we see in modern society. These and other current movements have an impact on the general public's expectations on the legal system. This year's symposium will consider how we deal with these expectations within the framework of traditional legal principles.

Theme I (Thursday 6 September 14.00-17.00)

## The challenges for funding the welfare state in a globalised economy

The welfare state has shown a remarkable resilience over the years, but how will it cope with the changes brought about by globalisation? Digitalisation has resulted in an interconnected world with a border-less supply of goods and services and instantaneous transfers of large amounts of capital between financial centres.

The welfare state is directly dependent on its ability to collect tax revenue. In OECD countries, about half of government revenue comes from tax on labour, but this tax-base will become more mobile. Digitalisation is making it possible for a company anywhere in the world to access the global market, resulting in a pressure on both wages and other employment terms, also in developed economies. In a globalised world, it is possible for international corporations to locate research and development, production, storage and sales in different locations, depending on taxes, labour laws and other relevant regulations. This means that the corporate tax-base is also increasingly mobile.

In this seminar, we will explore the need for more effective engagement between governments and citizens on the taxation of individuals. Globalisation has left many people feeling excluded. This has become a significant political force in its own right. We will look at whether the criticism that "governments make tax policy *with* business but *for* citizens" is justified and assess how the complex process of developing personal tax policy and legislation can be "humanised".

## **Keynote speakers:**

Mårten Blix, Doctor in Economics, the Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Stockholm
Chris Wales, Partner, The Fiscal Policy Network, London

## Panellists:

Jens Gullfeldt, Partner, Tax Management Consulting, Deloitte AB
Manou Hoss, Managing Partner, Elvinger Hoss & Prussen, Luxembourg
Robert Påhlsson, Professor of Tax Law, School of Business, Economics and Law,
University of Gothenburg

## Moderator:

Teresa Simon-Almendal, Professor of Tax Law at Stockholm University

Theme II (Friday 7 September 9.00-12.00)

## Social justice vs. private justice - externalities in international arbitration

The rapid growth of international arbitration has an immense effect on global governance and the role of state actors. Traditionally focused on the contractual relationship between the parties, the last decade has given rise to a robust debate about whether the institution of international arbitration can or should continue to be viewed as a sphere concerned exclusively with adjudicating the private interests of the parties. It is increasingly being argued that the flexibility and efficiency of international arbitration should not be allowed to outweigh public interests.

In recent years it has been acknowledged that the outcomes of international arbitration disputes in several cases have had a significant impact on actors that were not themselves involved in the proceedings – so called "externalities". These outcomes have raised political concerns about undermining democracy and the rule of law, and about insufficient consideration of the public interest in private rulings.

This seminar addresses the potential problems, from a public policy perspective, of allowing international commercial actors to opt out of domestic legal systems through private agreements. The purpose is to examine the delicate balance between state interest, political considerations, social justice and the private interests from an empirical and a normative perspective. It explores the extent to which third-party impact and negative externalities are taken into consideration in international arbitration today. It also addresses the issue of whether and to what extent third party considerations ought to be considered as a natural component of international arbitration.

## **Keynote speakers:**

Sophie J. Lamb, Partner, Latham & Watkins, London Kaj Hobér, Professor of International Investment and Trade Law at Uppsala University

## Panellists:

Andreas von Goldbeck, Lecturer at University of Oxford Wendy J. Miles, Partner, Debevoise & Plimpton, London Claudia T. Salomon, Partner, Latham & Watkins, New York

#### **Moderator:**

Mauro Zamboni, Professor of Legal Theory at Stockholm University

Theme III (Friday 7 September 14.00-17.00)

## Justice at a distance

Lawyers and philosophers have long sought to delineate the rights of individuals and the duties they owe to their community, and the rights and duties existing between different communities. These rights and duties are, for instance, the fundament of traditional tort law, as it has developed over centuries.

Whatever the classical formulations of the borders of these rights and duties, the rise of industry and technology, and the attendant capacity to affect other people far away in both space and time, pose new challenges, not least to lawyers. Recently, the advent of the internet with its global reach and ability to create new communities, and harms, at a distance has put a further focus on these questions. Environmental issues relating to production in low-cost jurisdictions and export of potentially harmful material to remote locations have also given raise to discussions about where liability should rightfully lay.

This seminar will begin with a philosophical exploration of whether we owe duties to people outside our historically most salient communities, including future generations, and put this in a legal context by looking at how we think of these issues in environmental law. We will then move on to a broader discussion of the legal and philosophical considerations involved in justice at a distance.

#### *Keynote speakers*

*Gustaf Arrhenius*, Director of the Institute for Futures Studies and Professor of Practical Philosophy at Stockholm University

*Sanja Bogojevic,* Fellow and Associate Professor of Law at Lady Margaret Hall and the Faculty of Law, Oxford University

## Panellists:

Mårten Schultz, Professor of Civil Law at Stockholm University

Roderick Bagshaw, Fellow and Associate Professor of Law at Magdalen College and the Faculty of Law, Oxford University

*Åsa Romson*, Doctor of Environmental Law at Stockholm University and Sweden's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for the Environment 2014-2016

Thomas Werlen, Managing Partner, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, Switzerland

#### **Moderator:**

Adam Green, Partner, Mannheimer Swartling, Stockholm



The Hall

#### **GALA DINNER**

The symposium will end with a gala dinner in Hall. Dress code lounge suit (*kostym*).

#### **OPTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION**

Swedish and international participants are invited to take part in the full programme for the symposium. Participants are also welcome to bring accompanying persons to the symposium, these will share accommodation and participate only in meals and guided tours.

Participants resident in Oxford or London may choose to take part in just one or several of the seminars and the relevant meals.

#### REGISTRATION

The last day to register for full participation (including accommodation) is **22 June 2018**.

*Swedish participants:* Sign up via the symposium website <u>here</u>. Registration is binding.

*International participants:* Sign up via the symposium website <u>here</u>. Registration is binding.

The last day to register for limited participation (not including accommodation) is **17 August 2018.** Sign up via email to <a href="Malin.Lundblad@juridicum.su.se">Malin.Lundblad@juridicum.su.se</a>. When you register, please specify the parts of the programme which you would like to participate in.

Fees are paid against invoice. The financial administration, including invoicing, is handled by Mannheimer Swartling and all other administration is handled by the Stockholm Centre for Commercial Law.

#### **FEES**

Full participation, for lawyers in private practice: **SEK 10,900** (approx. €1,090) Full participation, for academics and lawyers in civil service: **SEK 5,400** (approx. €540) Accompanying person (shared accommodation, guided tours and meals): **SEK 3,600** (approx. €360)

Day-time participation Thursday (seminars and meals): **SEK 1,650** or **£135** (approx. €165) Day-time participation Friday (seminars, guided tours and meals): **SEK 2,200** or **£180** (approx. €220)

Full participation includes:

- Three seminars
- Accommodation for two nights, including breakfast
- Lunch Thursday and Friday
- Dinner on the Thursday
- Gala Dinner with pre-dinner drinks on the Friday
- Drinks together with the meals
- Guided tours on the Friday
- Transfers from and to Heathrow in conjunction with recommended flights from and to Sweden

Members of the Oxford Law Faculty and the Oxford University Centre for Business Taxation are welcome to participate in the symposium free of charge.

Applicable Swedish VAT will be added to the fees indicated above.

If you cancel a registration of full participation before 6 July, a cancellation fee of SEK 500 will be payable. If you cancel after 6 July, the full fee will nevertheless be payable.

#### **TRAVEL**

Participants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements.

## **Recommended flights for Swedish participants**

## Thursday 6 September

07.45 Departure with flight BA0771 (British Airways) from Arlanda 07.55 Departure with flight SK525 (SAS) from Arlanda 9.30/9.35 Arrival at Heathrow

## Saturday 8 September

10.35 Departure with flight SK526 (SAS) from Heathrow 11.15 Departure with flight BA778 (British Airways) from Heathrow 14.05/14.50 Arrival at Arlanda

#### **Transfers**

Transfers for Swedish participants from and to Heathrow will be arranged in conjunction with the recommended flights from and to Sweden.

If your flight from another location arrives or departs in conjunction with the flights from and to Sweden, you are welcome to use these transfers free of charge. Contact <a href="Malin.Lundblad@juridicum.su.se">Malin.Lundblad@juridicum.su.se</a> if you want to use any of these transfers.

If you arrive or depart at another time, pre-booked taxis to or from Oxford can be arranged through British Airport Transfers (<a href="www.british-airport-transfers.co.uk">www.british-airport-transfers.co.uk</a>).

#### PERSONAL DATA

Your personal data will be handled in accordance with the Swedish Data Protection Act and used only for the purpose of organising the symposium.

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#### ABOUT OXFORD AND CHRIST CHURCH

University of Oxford is the oldest university in the English-speaking world. There are over 23,000 students at Oxford (of which about 10,900 are graduate students). The University is a truly international environment – over 40 % of the academic staff and over 60 % of the graduate students come from countries outside the United Kingdom.

The University of Oxford consists of 38 Colleges and six Permanent Private Halls, each with its own internal structure and activities. The Colleges create a unique academic and social environment that crosses subject boundaries and create natural and regular contact areas between students, researchers and teachers.

Everyone studying in Oxford has to be attached to a certain college and most colleges accept members in all the subjects offered by the university. The Colleges provide accommodation, meals and leisure activities for their students and are responsible for the supervision of students at the undergraduate level. Christ Church is one of Oxford's most famous colleges and was founded in 1546 by Henry VIII of England.

The chapel of Christ Church is also the cathedral of diocese Oxford. It is about 300 years older than the college and was originally part of a monastery dedicated to St Frideswide. In addition, the college has a famous library and its own art museum.

Read more about Christ Church at <a href="http://www.chch.ox.ac.uk">http://www.chch.ox.ac.uk</a>



## ABOUT THE STOCKHOLM CENTRE FOR COMMERCIAL LAW

The Stockholm Centre for Commercial law was established in 2000 as a part of the Faculty of Law at Stockholm University. The Centre promotes scientific research and doctoral studies in the field of commercial law in a broad sense. The Centre is led by Professor Jan Kleineman as chairman of the Council and the Special Committee, and Associate Professor and Judge Patrik Schöldström as director.

