



THE HAGUE ACADEMY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Paris, 19 April 2018

Excellency,

The 43rd Session of the External Programme of the Hague Academy of International Law has been planned to take place in Singapore on the invitation of the Government of Singapore from 23 to 30 November 2018.

The External Programme is aimed at young university professors and young diplomats and civil servants from interested Ministries with a high scientific level in Public and/or Private International Law. The Curatorium of the Academy and the Mongolian Authorities have decided to group participants in particular from the ASEAN Countries, namely Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam, and aslo of course Singapore.

As usually, the programme of the Session is devoted to current international law problems. The courses-seminars and the lectures will be given in English by high level Professors. The topic treated will be "Contemporary Questions of International Economic Law".

The Academy will meet the travelling expenses and a per diem for the participants from outside Singapore. The accommodation and subsistence in Singapore will be paid for by Singapore. I am happy to underline that this programme is totally free of charge for the participants (average 2 participants per country). May I draw your attention to the fact that the selection of the participants among those who may be nominated is made by the Secretary-General of the Academy in the name of the Curatorium on the basis of their qualifications. The External Session has indeed a purely academic character, the participants appearing exclusively in a private capacity.

His Excellency the Minister of Education
of His Majesty the King of Thailand



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I should be very much obliged if you would inform the candidates that they have to visit the Academy's web site (www.hagueacademy.nl - External Programme), fill in the application form which will be on the website as from the 1st May 2018 and send it electronically **no later than 1st of August 2018** together with a Curriculum Vitae and a sealed letter of recommendation (from a professor of international law when possible).

With my deep gratitude for transmitting the above information as promptly as possible to the persons concerned, please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

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**External Program
Singapore
23/30 November 2018**

"CONTEMPORARY QUESTIONS OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW"

Language: English.

OPENING SESSION (FRIDAY)

Speakers for Singapore : To be determined

Speakers for The Hague Academy of International Law : Dr. B. Bot, President of the Administrative Council ; Prof. Jean-Marc Thouvenin, Secretary General

CONFERENCES AND GROUP INTEGRATION (SATURDAY AND SUNDAY)

During the week-end, "get acquainted" program to be determined by Singapore. Necessity to have, during the week end (preferably the morning, between 9 and 11 am each day, four one-hour conferences to be given by special guests: two (or three) conferences not on legal matters, but on the country (history, economy, politics, challenges, ...), and two (or one) conference(s) on topic(s) selected by practitioners of sponsoring law firms).

LECTURES-SEMINARS

5 hour each, 1 hour each weekday (from Monday to Friday ; mornings)

1 - Articulation between global, regional and local international trade rules (Freya Baytens, Professor, University Oslo)

2 - Articulation between international trade law and other international economic law rules (investment law, tax law, monetary and financial law, environmental law) (Diane Desierto, Professor, University Notre Dame, USA)

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3 - " Non-trade and non-investment concerns in international economic dispute settlement" (Nico Schrijver, Professor, Leiden).

4 - Regulating the transnational activity of business entities: actors and processes (Pietro Franzina, Professor, Ferrara)

5 - Litigating international investment disputes, (Loretta Malintoppi, Arbitrator, 39 Essex Chambers).

AFTERNOON CONFERENCES

Every day will be organized 1 hour of afternoon conferences given by Professors and Practitioners located in or near Singapore.



EXTERNAL PROGRAMME OF THE HAGUE ACADEMY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

1° The Hague Academy launched the External Programme in 1968. Organized each year in a different continent, the External Programme, aims at enlarging the audience of the Academy and at providing young diplomats and university professors of a subcontinent with the possibility of attending, for one week, advanced courses on international law.

2° The External Programme is aimed at young university teachers and young civil servants from the ministry of foreign affairs or other ministries. The External Programme has a purely academic character, the participants appearing exclusively in a private capacity, and the countries from which participants are invited being determined after consultations with the Host Country and pursuant to the latter's wishes.

3° To remain efficient the programme usually addresses no more than 40 participants, about half of them coming from the Host Country and selected by the authorities of the Host Country. The Curatorium of the Academy selects around 20 participants from the countries of the region on exclusively scientific criteria.

4° The Curatorium appoints several professors of different nationalities who, together with professors of the Host Country will deliver lecture-seminars on a topic related to the region as well as a number of "one hour lectures" dealing with different topics.

5° The official opening of the session takes place on Friday evening. A "get-acquainted weekend" follows on Saturday and Sunday. Lectures, meals and touristic visits are organised by the Host Country, in order to break the ice and allow informal contacts among participants and professors. Thus, lectures can start on Monday in a more relaxed atmosphere. They are organised all day long from Monday to Friday. The official Closing Session takes place on Friday evening.

6° As far as the financing of the External Programme is concerned, it is assumed both by the Academy, and by the Host Country. Jointly the Host Country and the Academy can also engage in fundraising for the programme and its contribution to the rule of law and capacity building. The Host Country is kindly asked to assist in these fundraising activities.

The Academy, for its part, supports travelling expenses and hotel costs of the professors, the Secretary-General of the Academy, the Treasurer and administrative staff, as well as honoraria of the professors, provided no other funds to cover these costs can be found. The Academy can also take care of travelling expenses for participants from some countries other than the Host Country.

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The Academy presents the Host Country with a free subscription for some years to the electronic version of the "Collected Courses" of the Academy, granting online access to the full collection.

The Host Country, for its part, provides the day-to-day necessities such as conference rooms, transport (cars for the professors and mini-buses for the participants) and a secretariat. It also provides for the hotel costs of all students, whatever their country of origin, for opening and closing receptions and for the "get-acquainted weekend".

In some cases, a few additional expenses may occur which will be subject to negotiations with the Treasurer of the Academy.

7° It is customary for the country hosting the Academy's External Programme to designate a local co-ordinator who is responsible for arranging the social side of the session and who plays the part of liaison officer.

8° Academic aspects are treated by Professor Jean-Marc Thouvenin,
Secretary-General of the Academy (jm.thouvenin@hagueacademy.nl).

Financial aspects are treated by Mr. Erik de Baedts,
Treasurer of The Academy (edebaedts@hagueacademy.nl);

Ms. Monique Legerman, Deputy Secretary-General for Administrative Affairs,
is responsible for the general organization of the programme
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