Centre for European Law and Internationalisation

Call for abstracts

THE LEGACY OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

University of Leicester – 31 January 2019

We invite proposals of early career researchers for papers at the conference on ‘The Legacy of the League of Nations’ to be held at Leicester Law School on 31 January 2019.

The League of Nations is the first ‘great experiment’ in international organisation. Created in 1919 to replace the rule of force with the rule of law in international relations, it is the first attempt in history to create an institutional machinery aimed at securing a world without war. The aim of the conference is to critically assess the legacy of the League of Nations and the role of its successor, the United Nations, as a driving force for the development of international law.

We welcome submissions that engage with various aspects of the work of the League of Nations. Doctrinal and interdisciplinary papers are equally welcome. Possible topics for the conference include, but are not limited to:

- The League of Nations and the theory of sources of international law
- The legacy of the Permanent Court of International Justice
- The past, present and future of collective security
- The League of Nations and the protection of refugees
- The League of Nations and the development of international organisations law
- The Covenant and the Charter: the seeds of international constitutionalism?
- Rethinking the United Nations in the twenty-first century: lessons learnt from the League of Nations’ experience and proposals for the future
Confirmed speakers include:

- Professor William Schabas (Middlesex University)
- Professor Jean d’Aspremont (University of Manchester)
- Professor Nicholas Tsagourias (University of Sheffield)
- Dr Richard Collins (University College Dublin)
- Dr Rose Sydney Parfitt (University of Kent)
- Dr Rossana Deplano (University of Leicester)

The conference will conclude with the keynote speech delivered by Professor Nigel White (Professor of International Law, University of Nottingham).

The conference is funded by the Society of Legal Scholars (SLS).

Submission of abstracts
Abstracts of 500 words should be sent via email to Dr Rossana Deplano at rossana.deplano@le.ac.uk by **30 November 2018**. Abstracts must include the institutional affiliation of the author.

Papers will be selected by **10 December 2018**. Invited participants must confirm their attendance by **15 December 2018**.

Please do not hesitate to contact the organiser via email if you have any questions.