8th Conference of the Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network of the Society of International Economic Law (PEPA/SIEL) 2019
London, 30-31 May 2019

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SIEL’s Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network (PEPA/SIEL) is, among other things, interested in fostering collaboration and mentoring opportunities for emerging academics and professionals in International Economic Law (IEL). PEPA/SIEL fulfils these goals through various activities such as organising conferences at which emerging IEL academics and professionals can present and discuss their research in a supportive and welcoming environment.

We are pleased to announce that the 8th Conference will take place on 30-31 May 2019 at King’s College London.

Call for Papers

This conference offers graduate students (students enrolled in Master or Ph.D. programmes) and early professionals/academics (generally within five years of graduating) studying or working in the field of IEL an opportunity to present and discuss their research. It also provides a critical platform where participants can test their ideas about broader issues relating to IEL. One or more senior practitioners and academics will comment on each paper after its presentation, followed by a general discussion.

We invite submissions on any IEL topic including, but not limited to:

- Law and practice in international economic governance and international organisations;
- International trade, investment, competition, monetary and financial law, including dispute resolution;
- The interaction of IEL branches with other branches of law governing intellectual property, human rights, environment, sustainable development, food safety;
- Bilateral and regional economic integration and the multilateral trading system;
- Comparative economic law, focusing on how international economic law interacts with laws, institutions and actors at the domestic level;
- International economics, philosophy, sociology, politics;
- International developments and economic law, which may inter alia, refer to Brexit, international financial regulation, cryptocurrencies, and monetary affairs.
How and when to submit

Submissions should include a CV (no more than 2 pages) and a research abstract (no more than 400 words) and be sent no later than 8 February 2019 to pepa2019conference@gmail.com. Papers will be selected based on a double-blind review conducted by a senior practitioner or academic and a conference organiser. Successful applicants will be notified by 8 March 2019, after which they are expected to submit a conference paper (no more than 4000 words) by 1 May 2019. Abstracts will be made available online via the SIEL website (www.sielnet.org).

General practical information about participating and attending the Conference

The deadline for registration is 8 April 2019. Registration has to be done online at the SIEL website. Registration costs 55 GBP for non-SIEL Members, and 45 GBP for SIEL Members. SIEL Membership details may be found at the SIEL website (students membership is 20 GBP). The registration fee covers conference materials and coffee breaks of both days.

A limited number of conference fee waivers is available for applicants facing financial hardship. Applicants for such a waiver are kindly invited to add a short letter of no more than 3 paragraphs to their conference application, stating the reason for their waiver request. Successful applications will be notified by 8 March 2019.

A limited number of scholarships to cover travel/accommodation expenses for PhD applicants from developing countries facing financial hardship is available. Applicants for such a scholarship are kindly invited to add a short letter of no more than 3 paragraphs to their conference application, stating the reason for the scholarship. Decisions on scholarships will aim to promote gender diversity.

Subject to space availability, registration of participants not presenting a paper will be accepted. The regular fee will be applied. Please contact pepa2019conference@gmail.com.

Should you have any question regarding application or participation, please feel free to contact pepa2019conference@gmail.com.

Organisers
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