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News from the Board

The 2017 IALL Course in Atlanta

As was announced earlier this year the 2017 IALL Annual Course on International Law and Legal Information will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, USA from 22nd – 26th October.

The [conference website](http://iall.org/conf2017/) is ready for viewing at: <http://iall.org/conf2017/>

Welcome to Atlanta, a designated World City, the capital of the state of Georgia, and one of the largest and most rapidly growing cities in the United States. As the cultural and geographical center of the American South, Atlanta is proud of its heritage and status as a progressive, diverse, and inclusive city. Emory University, one of the nation's premier institutions of higher education, is pleased to host the 36th Annual Course on International Law and Legal Information.

The theme of this year's annual course is **Civil Rights, Human Rights, and Other Critical Issues in U.S. Law**. The birthplace of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Atlanta is internationally known as a major center for the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s. Atlanta is also a hub for the study of international human rights as home to the Carter Center, a non-profit organization established in 1982 as a partnership between Emory University and former President Jimmy Carter. Additionally, this is a crucial time in U.S. politics with the recent change in administration, especially as the changes affect the international community. The annual course will tackle these issues and more, with a special eye toward how libraries and legal information play a role.

The Local Organising Committee comprises a highly motivated and enthusiastic group of experienced law librarians from the Emory University School of Law, MacMillan Law Library. They are in the process of putting together some exciting sessions such as:

- From AIDS to Zika: Access to Healthcare as a Human Right
- Black and Blue: Race and Policing after Black Lives Matter
- U.S. Immigration Policy and Refugee Settlement in Atlanta
- Information Literacy in a Fake News World
- Critical Topic: International Terrorism

The main conference venue will be the luxurious Emory Conference Center Hotel set in 26 acres of natural preserve. This venue will also be the main accommodation site.

Included in the program will be trips to local Atlanta attractions, including the Center for Civil and Human Rights, the Carter Center, and the Fernbank Museum of Natural History.

The Optional Day on 26th October is awarded the title, Atlanta as the "Hollywood of the South" and will focus on:

Atlanta as a fast-growing center for film and television production. Many of the biggest films in the world have been filmed in Atlanta. Attendees will be able to see many of the shooting locations and learn more about Atlanta's film industry as well as its place in the Civil Rights Movement.

The Optional Day will begin with a talk on the legal aspects of the film industry, followed by a guided bus tour of Atlanta filming locations by [Atlanta Movie Tours](#). Stops on the tour will include Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site, Ebenezer Baptist Church, and sites used in filming *Selma*, *Hidden Figures*, *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay*, and *Captain America: Civil War*.

This conference is proving to be yet another memorable and moving feast offering a program of analysis and discussion on a diverse group of topics which are not only highly relevant but which will broaden our knowledge of what is presently occurring in the world arena.

Our sincere thanks to Mark Engsberg, Library Director, and Assistant Professor of Law at Emory University School of Law MacMillan Law Library, and whom we all also know as the Editor of the IJLI, and to his most capable and hard working staff who are on the Local Organising Committee for stepping up so swiftly and graciously to plan such an exciting and highly educative program.

Registration for the 36th Annual Course of the International Association of Law Libraries in Atlanta, Georgia, USA is now open!

Early Bird Registration pricing is available through July 31, 2017. The final date for Registration is September 15, 2017.

Hotel reservations can also be made via the [Accommodations tab](#) on this website.

We look forward to seeing all of you in Atlanta in October!

The International Journal of Legal Information (IJLI)

Editorial Board

The IALL is pleased to announce that it has just appointed its inaugural Editorial Board for the IJLI. The three-member board will consist of the Editor, Mark Engsberg, along with **Teresa Miguel-Stears**, director of the Yale Law Library at Yale Law School in New Haven, Connecticut, and **Marylin Raisch**, Associate Director for Research & Collection Development, Georgetown Law Library at the Georgetown Law Center in Washington, D.C. The Editorial Board members will serve three-year terms and may be re-appointed for two consecutive terms. The Editorial Board will assist the Editor in promoting the IJLI, soliciting article submissions for the Journal, and judging articles for the forthcoming annual Best IJLI Article contest. Welcome – and congratulations! – to Teresa and Marylin!

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