

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

2022 Annual General Meeting

Agenda

Held at Paul Brest Hall, Stanford University, Stanford, California USA

Tuesday 11th October 2022

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

1. **Welcome to Members and introduction of Board members**
2. **Minutes**
To approve the Minutes of the AGM held virtually during the Toulouse, France annual course, 7 October 2021
3. **President's Report**
To receive the President's Report for 2022
4. **Secretary's Report**
To receive the Secretary's Report for 2022
5. **Treasurer's Report**
Status of the 2022 audit of Accounts for the Association for 2021
To receive a report from the Treasurer for 2022
6. **Finance Committee Report**
To receive a report from the Chair of the Finance Committee for 2022
7. **Report of the Committee on Communications**
To receive a report from the Chair of the Committee on Communications for 2022
8. **Report of the Scholarships Committee**
To receive a report from the Chair of the Scholarships Committee for 2022
9. **Report of the Education Committee**
To receive a report from the Chair of the Education Committee for 2022
10. **Report of the Conference Committee**
To receive a report from the Chair of the Committee for 2022
11. **Introductions from representatives from other associations**
12. **Annual Courses**
To receive a report on arrangements for the 2023 Annual Course to be held in Geneva, Switzerland.
13. **Introduction of the 2022-2025 IALL Board**
14. **Questions from the Membership**

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

2021 Annual General Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

Held virtually via Zoom on Thursday 7th October 2021 during the IALL Toulouse Conference.

Thursday 7th October 2021
4.30pm – 5.30pm (Paris time)

1. Welcome to Members

The meeting was brought to order at 4.30pm (Paris Time). IALL President Kurt Carroll welcomed IALL members to the AGM. He thanked Michel Fraysse and the other members of Toulouse Conference Local Planning Committee for their hard work in organising a wonderful virtual conference from Toulouse, particularly as the 2020 conference had had to be postponed because of the Coronavirus pandemic and the format switched to a virtual conference. He also thanked Jeroen Vervliet for his contribution as the IALL Board Liaison.

He thanked the IALL Conference Gold sponsors and Silver sponsors and encouraged members to visit the sponsor pages on the IALL Conference Sched virtual platform. He mentioned that the conference presentations and other content was still available for the moment and therefore there was still an opportunity to listen to the conference content.

The IALL Secretary, David Gee, reported that the AGM was in quorum as over 35 Individual members were attending.

2. Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the AGM held in Sydney, 12.15 – 13.15, Tuesday 29th October 2019.

The minutes of the AGM in Sydney were approved.

3. President's Report

To receive the President's Report for 2021.

The President's Report was approved.

4. Secretary's Report

To receive the Secretary's Report for 2021.

5. Nominating Committee for the 2022 Board election

To approve the Board's recommended membership of the Nominating Committee (i.e. Robin Gardner, Marci Hoffman and Silke Sahl) for the 2022 IALL Board elections.

The Board's recommended membership of the Nominating Committee was approved.

6. Treasurer's Report

Status of the 2021 audit of Accounts for the Association for 2021.

To receive a report from the Treasurer for 2021.

The Treasurer's report was approved.

7. Finance Committee Report

To receive a report from the Chair of the Finance Committee for 2021.

The Finance Committee's Report was approved.

8. Report of the Committee on Communications

To receive a report from the Chair of the Committee on Communications for 2021.

The Committee on Communications Report was approved.

9. Report of the Scholarships Committee

To receive a report from the Chair of the Scholarships Committee for 2021.

The Scholarships Committee report was approved.

10. Report of the Education Committee

To receive a report from the Chair of the Education Committee for 2021.

The Education Committee's Report was approved.

11. Report of the Conference Committee

To receive a report from the Chair of the Conference Committee for 2021.

The Conference Committee's report was approved.

12. Introduction of representatives from other associations

Video recordings passing on greetings from their associations and invitations to their 2022 conferences were played to the AGM from Diane Rodriguez, President of AALL, Catherine Bowl, President of BIALL and *Isabelle Brenneur-Garel* of Jurisconnexion. Kim Nayyer, President of CALL, passed on her association's greetings and invitation live via Zoom.

13. Annual Courses

To receive a report from the Conference Committee on arrangements for the 2022 Annual Course held at Stanford Law School, California, USA.

Member of the Local Planning Committee, Taryn Marks, outlined the exciting provisional programme for the 2022 IALL Annual Course at Stanford Law School, California using a PowerPoint and short video. The conference is due to take place between 9th October and 12th October 2022.

14. Questions from the Membership

Lyonette Louis-Jacques encouraged members in the Far East, Latin America and Africa to join the discussion forum [int.law](https://www.int.law).

The meeting was adjourned at 5.30pm (Paris Time)



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President's Report, October 2021 through September 2022

This is my final report to the membership as President of the International Association of Law Libraries covering the period October 2021 through September 2022.

The Board which held office during 2021-22 was constituted as follows, President: Kurt Carroll of the Library of Congress, USA; Vice President: Kerem Kahvecioğlu of the Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey; Secretary: David Gee of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, UK; Treasurer: Barbara Garavaglia of the University of Michigan Law School, USA; Board members: Kristina Alayan of the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, USA; Rebecca Five Bergstrøm of the University of Oslo Law Library, Norway; Heather Casey of the Library of Congress, USA; François Desseilles of the Court of Justice of the European Union, Luxembourg; Michel Fraysse of the Université Toulouse 1 Capitole Libraries, France; Trung Quach of the High Court of Australia in Canberra, Australia; Jean Wenger of the Chicago-Kent College of Law, USA; and editor, ex officio member: Mark Engsborg, MacMillan Law Library, Emory School of Law, USA.

Two long standing board members, Barbara Garavaglia and David Gee are completing their board terms and have formally retired from their professional positions. We thank them for their service to IALL and welcome them into the ranks of retired members.

The Board met virtually on 3 October 2021 before the annual course presented from Toulouse and on 7 October, immediately after the Toulouse course. Annually returning items were discussed, primary of which was the approval of the association's 2022 operating budget. Individual officers and members of the board took the opportunity to meet on a number of occasions, in particular at the annual meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries in July 2022 and kept in contact throughout the year to discuss issues concerning the association.

I accepted invitations to attend the annual meetings of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL; in person) and the Canadian Association of Law Libraries (virtual). Vice President Kerem Kahvecioğlu represented the association at the meeting of the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians. At the AALL meeting, I co-hosted the *International Attendees Joint Reception* with AALL and the Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section (FCIL-SIS). Reciprocally I have invited the presidents of the American Association of Law Libraries, Australian Law Librarians' Association, British and Irish Association of Law Librarians, Canadian Association of Law Libraries/Association Canadienne des Bibliothèques de Droit, and the New Zealand Law Librarians' Association to our 2022 annual meeting.

This year marked the period for a new board to be elected. A call was made to the membership to form a nominating committee. The committee, approved by the board, was made up of Robin Gardner (Australia), Marci Hoffman (USA), and Silke Sahl (USA). The Nominating Committee worked independently and received board support via the IALL Secretary who served as board liaison. We thank the committee for their thorough, hard work. The election season is tightly scheduled per the IALL constitution. Committee members kept to this schedule, solicited and received nominations, and conducted interviews to produce a slate of candidates that represented the diversity of the IALL membership. Following the election, the Secretary announced the full composition of the new board in May. We thank the Nominating Committee for their dedicated service.

I conclude my report with sincere thanks to all of the Board officers and members for the camaraderie, friendship, and hard work they have shown during my term as President. I wish the incoming Board every success in the governing of the association.

Thank you.

Kurt Carroll
IALL President
September 2022



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IALL Secretary's Report 2022

This is my last report as IALL Secretary having served for two three-year terms in this role. I will be stepping down having served on the Board for nine years in total.

Under the requirements of the IALL Constitution, I supervised the 2022 Board elections by seeking suggestions from the IALL membership for the possible members of the Nominating Committee. The received suggestions were discussed at the virtual pre-conference Board meeting in Toulouse in 2021 and the Board's recommendations for the three person Nominating Committee were announced at the 2021 AGM and confirmed by the membership. I oversaw the Board election ballot in the spring 2022 and announced the new Board to the membership in May 2022.

The names of the newly-elected Officers and Board Members of the 2022-2025 Board of Directors are as follows. They will take over their responsibilities from the current Board at the end of the 2022 Annual Course at Stanford Law School, USA.

Officers

President: Mark Engsberg, Emory University Law School, USA

Vice President: Kerem Kahvecioglu, Istanbul Bilgi University Library, Turkey

Secretary: Trung Quach, University of Melbourne Law School, Australia

Treasurer: Jean Wenger, Chicago-Kent College of Law, USA

Board Members

Rebecca J. Five Bergstrøm: University of Oslo, Norway

Vanessa Blackmore: New South Wales Law Courts Library, Australia

Yee Xin Chai: Singapore Management University, Singapore

Sonia Crenn: International Committee of the Red Cross, Geneva, Switzerland

Claudia Holland: Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Germany

Lyonette Louis-Jacques: University of Chicago Law School, USA

David Wills: Squire Law Library, University of Cambridge, UK

I would like to thank, in particular, the Nominating Committee of Marci Hoffman (Chair), Robin Gardner and Silke Sahl for their excellent work in contributing to the success of this election process. I would also like to thank Michael Lindsey at the University of California, Berkeley for his assistance with managing the electoral ballot.

As Secretary, I also assisted the IALL Board with periodic Board votes via email. I also handled enquiries regarding membership benefits, subscriptions to the *International Journal of Legal Information*, and questions about the IALL website throughout the year. I also served as Chair of the Scholarships Committee and as a member of the Finance Committee.

David Gee, IALL Secretary, September 2022



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IALL TREASURER'S AGM REPORT 2022 FISCAL PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2021 – DECEMBER 31, 2021

This fund statement reflects the cash receipts and disbursements of IALL for the fiscal period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. The Association retained the independent audit firm of Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates of Charlottesville, VA, USA, to examine the IALL's financial records and to certify the accuracy of its financial statements and the soundness of its accounting practices. The firm has prepared IALL's required tax forms and filed them with the US Internal Revenue Service. Our financial records for 2021 were reviewed in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States.

The Association's finances were healthy in 2021. With revenues of US\$61,900 and expenses of US\$25,704, IALL realized an increase in net assets of US\$36,196. IALL's total assets at the end of 2021 were US\$481,339, an increase of approximately 8% over 2020. We ended the year with no liabilities.

IALL, like the rest of the world, continued to experience significant disruptions in 2021 because of the covid-19 pandemic. The rescheduled Toulouse, France annual course was presented as a virtual course as a result. Finances in 2021 continued to be stable despite the disruptions, with unusually low expenses without an in-person annual course. Revenues in 2021 reflect membership dues, virtual course registrations, royalty payments, and minor interest on savings. IALL's asset levels are higher than normal because of few expenses in 2020 and low expenses in 2021. The return to in-person annual courses beginning in 2022 will undoubtedly return expenses to a significantly higher level and will reduce IALL's assets accordingly.

Barbara Garavaglia, IALL Treasurer
11 September 2022

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES
CASH BASIS FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

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Certified Public Accountants

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

**To the Board of Directors
International Association of Law Libraries
Charlottesville, Virginia**

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of International Association of Law Libraries (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of assets and net assets—cash basis as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of support, revenue, and expenses—cash basis for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, and net assets of International Association of Law Libraries as of December 31, 2021, and its support, revenue, and expenses for the year then ended in accordance with the cash basis of accounting as described in Note 2.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of International Association of Law Libraries and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 2, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements, including omissions, are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of International Association of Law Libraries' internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about International Association of Law Libraries' ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Charlottesville, Virginia
June 20, 2022

International Association of Law Libraries

Statement of Assets and Net Assets - Cash Basis

At December 31, 2021

ASSETS

Cash in bank - Checking	\$	125,706
Cash in bank - Savings		230,218
Cash in bank - Savings - Suntrust		<u>125,415</u>
Total assets	\$	<u><u>481,339</u></u>

NET ASSETS

Without donor restrictions	\$	<u>481,339</u>
Total net assets	\$	<u><u>481,339</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

International Association of Law Libraries

Statement of Support, Revenue, and Expenses - Cash Basis
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

		Without Donor Restrictions
Revenues and other support:		
Membership dues	\$	14,415
Refund of deposit for the annual conference		10,012
Sponsorship income		16,955
Conference registration fees		5,350
Royalty income		15,047
Interest income		121
Total revenues and other support	\$	61,900
Expenses:		
Program Services:		
Promotion and Education of Legal Information:		
2021 conference	\$	11,101
2022 conference advance		1,750
Total program services	\$	12,851
Supporting Services:		
Management and General:		
Audit fees	\$	6,800
Website hosting/maintenance		3,043
Credit card and bank charges		1,672
Equipment		972
Miscellaneous		366
Total supporting services	\$	12,853
Total expenses	\$	25,704
Change in net assets	\$	36,196
Net assets, beginning of year		445,143
Net assets, end of year	\$	481,339

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

International Association of Law Libraries

Notes to Financial Statements
At December 31, 2021

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION:

International Association of Law Libraries (IALL) is incorporated in Washington, DC as a not-for-profit corporation. IALL is a worldwide organization of librarians, libraries, and other persons and institutions concerned with the acquisition of legal information emanating from sources other than from their jurisdictions. The basic purpose of the IALL is to promote on a world-wide cooperative and non-profit basis the works of individuals, libraries, and other organizations concerned with all aspects of legal information, and to facilitate the use of such information.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Basis of Accounting

IALL prepares its financial statements on the cash basis of accounting which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Consequently, certain revenues are recognized when received rather than when earned and certain expenses are recognized when cash is disbursed rather than when the obligation is incurred. The statements do not present the overall financial position or results of operations of the Organization.

Cash

IALL considers cash to include cash on hand and cash in savings accounts.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insures all bank accounts maintained by IALL thereby limiting potential credit risk to balances in excess of \$250,000. As of December 31, 2021, IALL had a \$105,924 uninsured cash balance.

Income Taxes

No provision is made for income taxes in the financial statements since IALL is exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 501(c)(4). IALL is not classified as a private foundation.

IALL regularly reviews and evaluates its tax positions taken in previously filed information returns with regard to issues affecting its tax-exempt status, unrelated business income, and related matters. Based on IALL's evaluation of its positions relating to any relevant matters, no tax benefits or liabilities are required to be recognized in accordance with FIN 48.

NOTE 3 - FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES:

The costs of providing the various programs and supporting activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of support, revenue, and expenses - cash basis. Expenses are allocated between programs and supporting services based on direct allocation for each category. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

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Notes to Financial Statements
At December 31, 2021 (Continued)

NOTE 4 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

The annual conference hosted by IALL was held virtually in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In connection with the conference, revenue and expenses for the conference were received and paid through the accounts of IALL as well as through the accounts of the Local Organizing Committee. Due to the conference being held virtually instead of in-person, IALL also received a \$10,012 refund that had been deposited in prior years for the conference venue.

NOTE 5 - LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS:

The Organization monitors its liquidity so that it is able to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments while maximizing the investment of its excess operating cash. The Organization has the following financial assets that could readily be made available within one year of the balance sheet to fund expenses without limitations:

Cash in bank - Checking	\$ 125,706
Cash in bank - Savings	230,218
Cash in bank - Savings - Suntrust	<u>125,415</u>
Total	<u>\$ 481,339</u>

NOTE 6 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

In preparing these financial statements, management of IALL has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through June 20, 2022, the day the financial statements were available to be issued.

Given the daily evolution of the COVID-19 outbreak and global responses to curb its spread, IALL is not able to estimate the effects of the COVID-19 outbreak on its results of operations, financial condition, or liquidity for future fiscal years.



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IALA Finance Committee AGM Report 2022

The Finance Committee chair conferred with the Treasurer via email as needed during the year.

The association continues to be financially stable. Expenses were minimal during 2021 because of the ongoing pandemic and the Toulouse annual course was held virtually. There was a net increase of US\$36,196 for the 2021 fiscal year from membership dues, journal royalties, registrations for the virtual annual course, and interest on savings. There were no bursary expenses for the Toulouse virtual annual course.

Membership: Renewal invoices and renewal reminders for members are sent automatically by the Wild Apricot database and members routinely receive renewal confirmation and payment receipts. Renewal invoices for the 2022 IALA membership year (January 1–December 31, 2022) were sent via email in November 2021.

In 2022, the IALA has 173 members in the following membership categories:

- 137 Individual (North America, the EU, EEA, EFTA, Switzerland, Australia & New Zealand)
- 15 Individual (Other countries)
- 12 Retired
- 1 Student
- 6 Life
- 2 Honorary

IALA members are from 28 different countries, broken down by geographic region as follows:

- Africa: 4
- Asia and the Pacific: 6
- Australia: 11
- Canada: 6
- Caribbean: 3
- Europe: 29
- New Zealand: 2
- South America: 3
- Turkey: 1
- United Kingdom: 8
- USA: 100

Kerem Kahvecioglu
Chair, IALA Finance Committee



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Communications Committee AGM Report 2022

The IALL Communications Committee provides advice and counsel to the Board of the association and also to the Editor of the International Journal of Legal Information (IJLI) and to the IALL webmaster, while developing communications initiatives and IALL publications.

The Committee's 2022 members are:

- François Deseilles (Court of justice of the European Union), Board Member, Chair
- Rebecca J. Five Bergstrøm (University of Oslo Law Library), Board Member, Blog editor, Sub-committee lead
- Mark Engsborg (Emory School of Law), Journal Editor
- Amy Flick (Emory School of Law), Member at Large
- Kerem Kahvecioglu (Istanbul Bilgi University), IALL Vice President

The Journal editor serves as an ex officio member of the IALL Board. The Committee usually meets during the IALL annual conference (no meeting was held in 2022) and is in regular contact throughout the year via e-mail.

The IALL's webmaster is Michael Lindsey (UC Berkeley Law).

Obviously, the Coronavirus pandemic has affected all our work and activity. The present Communications Committee report is thus shorter than usual as a result. For 2022, the Committee reports the following activities:

I. Follow-up

A roadmap was presented by the chair of the committee to the board in November 2020 to gather proposals to foster the structuration and dissemination of information, pending the drawing up of a global strategy for the development and implementation of the association's missions. It was generally well received, although only a few actions have been taken since then and no concrete action was taken in 2022.

II. Sub-committee

In accordance with our constitution (art. VIII), a sub-committee is in charge of assisting the association in its work to modernise our visual identity, to reshape and revamp the Internet media (website, social media) and implement an Intranet interface for members (in relation to the members' database). The sub-committee is led by Rebecca J. Five Bergstrøm's. Apart from an email sent by IALL President to the board members, nothing has been initiated in this regard (e.g. call to membership).

III. Transmission of credentials

The committee and its chair shall contact its successor as soon as it is appointed by the board, in order to transfer the credentials in the committee's custody (since the current president has taken over some of the communication channels, the committee does not have all the information to pass on).

IV. Blog

One of the committee members, Rebecca J. Five Bergstrøm, has worked hard to keep the association's blog alive with original contributions. Since the last annual course in Toulouse, 4 contributions have been published. IALL blog guidelines have been drafted, loosely based on the *In Custodia Legis* blogging guidelines.

V. Listserv

The IALL members' listserv currently has 664 subscribers (representing an increase of 3.91% since 2021). The listserv has become a supplement to the INT-LAW list for seeking assistance from colleagues around the world for solving difficult reference questions.

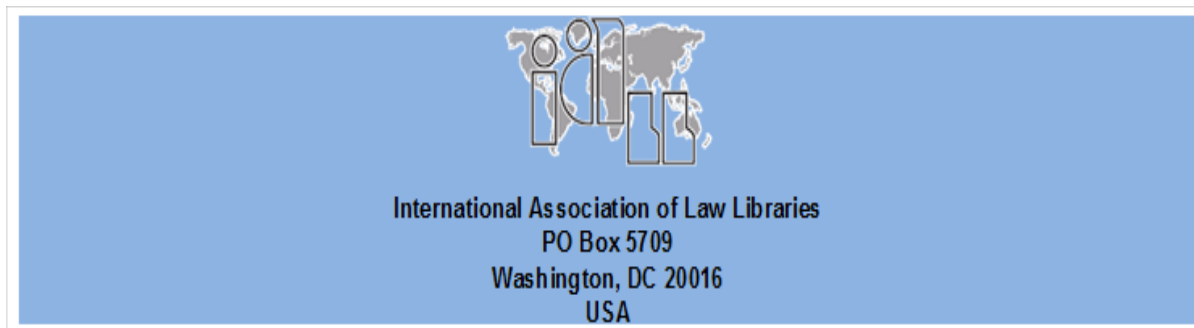
VI. International Journal of Legal Information (IJLI)

The *International Journal of Legal Information* (IJLI) is published by Cambridge University Press (CUP). The latest issue is volume 49 (Winter 2021). No initiative has been taken by the journal editor to support and encourage diversity among editorial board and no action has been taken on previously expressed wishes by the Communication committee to set a volunteer advisory board.

VII. Overall assessment

The activity during the term of office of the committee has been severely affected by the coronavirus pandemic, which is a disappointment to me as Chair of the Committee. I would strongly recommend to the new Board that additional resources are made available for the successful and rapid implementation of the roadmap.

François Desseilles
Chair, Communications Committee
September 2022



IALL Scholarships Committee 2022 Annual Report

The members of the Scholarships Committee are:

- David Gee (Institute of Advanced Legal Studies), IALL Secretary, Chair
- Kristina Alayan (University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law), Board Member
- Heather Casey (Georgetown University Law Library), Board Member
- Michel Fraysse (Université Toulouse), Board Member
- Barbara Garavaglia (University of Michigan), IALL Treasurer

IALL Bursary Awards

IALL awards two distinct types of bursaries to help defray most of the cost of attending IALL's annual course:

1. **Regular Bursaries** which are available to non-members and members; three bursaries of up to a maximum of US\$2,500 each will be awarded.
2. **Members-Only Bursaries** for current Individual members who have paid their dues for the current year and at least the two immediately preceding calendar years; four such bursaries of up to a maximum US\$2,500 each will be awarded.

IALL bursaries are not open to officers or members of the Board of Directors of the Association.

The Scholarships Committee (with the assistance of Michael Lindsey at the University of California, Berkeley) continued to offer the online bursary application forms via the IALL website for both bursaries. The online forms worked well again and the few technical issues that arose during the application period (these were mostly firewall issues) were quickly resolved by Michael Lindsey.

As usual, bursary applications were encouraged and both types of bursary were widely advertised. For example, messages were put up on the IALL Facebook page and on the IALL blog, two encouraging emails were sent to all IALL members and announcements and reminders were sent to a number of regional law library lists by members of the IALL Board.

IALL awarded three **regular professional development bursaries** to attend the 40th Annual Course in October 2022 at Stanford Law School, USA to:

- Ana Rita Ramírez Azofoifa, Head of The Information and Knowledge Management Area, Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Costa Rica
- Marie-Francoise Brémond, Head of Publications Service, Research Support Department, Library, University Toulouse 1 Capitole, France
- Rheny Pulungan, Liaison Librarian (Law), Monash University, Australia

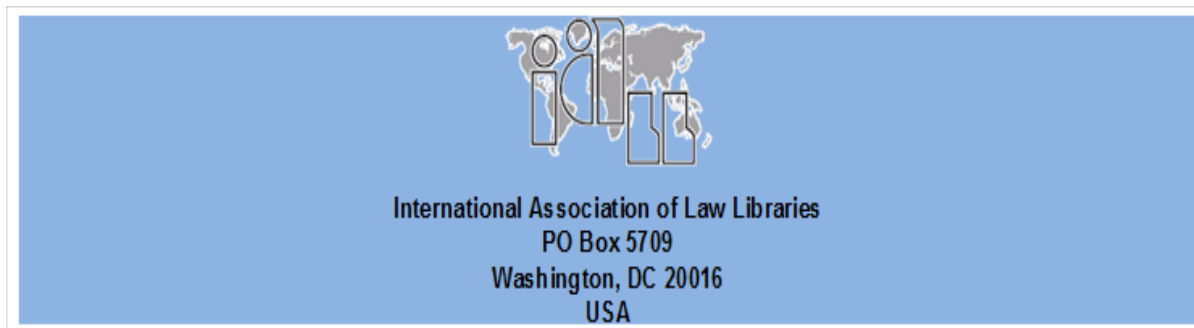
In addition, exceptionally, the Board also agreed to award a postponed Regular bursary this year to O. J. Bamgbose (Law Librarian at Ajayi Crowther University, Nigeria) who was unable to attend the Sydney Conference in 2019.

IALL also awarded **three Members-Only professional development bursaries** to attend the 40th Annual Course in October 2022 at Stanford Law School, USA to:

- Julienne Grant, Reference Librarian/Foreign & International Research Specialist, Loyola University Chicago School of Law Library, USA.
- Janet Odetsi Twum, Head Librarian, Ghana School of Law, Ghana.
- Marcelo Rodriguez, Foreign, Comparative and International Law Librarian and Professor of Practice, University of Arizona College of Law, USA

The amounts awarded for both categories of bursary were based on the budget estimates for the accommodation and travel costs submitted by each applicant and were within the overall maximum of US\$2,500 per bursary. The bursary awards also included gratis registration for the conference. The winners of the Regular bursaries were also awarded free IALL Individual membership for one calendar year beginning 1st January 2023.

David Gee
Chair, IALL Scholarships Committee
September 2022



**IALA Education Committee
2021 – 2022 AGM Report**

The IALA Education Committee initiates and leads collaborative efforts among members and colleagues to address challenges in international and foreign legal research education.

Board members on the Education Committee

Kristina J. Alayan (University of Maryland), Chair
Rebecca J Five Bergstrøm (University of Oslo)
Heather Casey (Law Library of Congress)
Michel Fraysse (Université Toulouse)

The Education Committee benefits from the opportunity to engage with IALA members in person during the Annual Course. Even without this opportunity to connect in person, the committee participated in developing and coordinating two social events during the online Toulouse Annual Course. These virtual cafés gave participants the opportunity to engage more informally with one another over guided topics of mutual interest. One session focused on literary topics. Attendees were encouraged to discuss and share a favorite book. Michel Fraysse ably led the discussion, which culminated with a list of books that were circulated to all Annual Course attendees – even those who were unable to attend. The second session, hosted by Heather Casey, was inspired by one of France’s famous authors: Marcel Proust. A series of *Proustian* questions were prepared in advance and used to spark lively conversation and connection among those able to attend.

The committee met after the Annual Course concluded and discussed potential virtual events that could be hosted in the new year. Unfortunately, a combination of personal and professional transitions among committee members – along with the additional challenges presented by the ongoing pandemic – disrupted the momentum that had been built during the Annual Course.

With sufficient interest, bandwidth, and commitment, the Education Committee remains ideally situated to bring IALA members together from around the world in between annual courses. The (now routine) tools available to us to foster connection virtually can be leveraged for the benefit of members around the world. The only challenge is the diversity of timezones we represent collectively – and our capacity to organize. The committee remains eager to collaborate with members and welcomes creative ideas and volunteers to support its work in service of the association and profession more generally.

Respectfully submitted,

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Conference Committee Report, October 2021 through September 2022

The current members of the Committee are: Kurt Carroll, IALL President and Committee Chair; Kristina Alayan, François Desseilles, Trung Quach, and Jean Wenger.

Last year's Conference Committee report included a prelude to our 39th annual course presented from Toulouse, France. As our first course held exclusively online, no one could predict how successful it would be. Course attendance surpassed all prior IALL meetings. The program continues to reach the law library community thanks to the generous support of Toulouse Capitole University which is hosting the recorded sessions on *Canal U*, <https://www.canal-u.tv/chaines/ut1capitole/iall-2021>. Enthusiasm from the speakers has resulted in article submissions to our *International Journal of Legal Information* (IJLI). Sincere thanks go to board member Michel Fraysse and the members of the Toulouse local planning committee, of which Michel served as chair.

Planning for the 40th Annual Course on International Law and Legal Information at Stanford Law Library began as early as 2019. Beth Williams, Associate Dean at the Robert Crown Law Library, has given exceptional support to the course for which we are most grateful.

A great amount of work has been undertaken by members of the Stanford Local Planning Committee: Taryn Marks (co-chair), Sergio Stone (co-chair), Alba Holgado, Will Huggins, Heather Joy, Grace Lo, Rachel Shields, Katie Siler, Ryan Tamares, and James Thajudeen together with the IALL board liaison, Barbara Garavaglia. No doubt this course will be a resounding success and valuable educational conference.

The 41st annual course is a return to Switzerland, having hosted an IALL meeting in Lausanne in 2001. Following my visit in June, I can attest planning is well underway for our annual course to be held in Geneva in October 2023. A triumvirate of institutions: the Graduate Institute Library, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) Library, and the UN Library Geneva will present the course. The Local Planning Committee includes Sonia Crenn (ICRC), Charlotte Mohr (ICRC), Clara Kiraly (ICRC), Yves Corpataux (Graduate Institute), and Rachel Forman (UN). Focusing on Geneva's role in multilateralism and international law, the course promises to be a highly enriching experience.

At the time of the writing of this report, the conference committee is reviewing a proposal for the 42nd annual course. It is our hope the full board will be able to review and vote on the proposal at the pre-conference board meeting in Stanford. If approved, the location and institution hosting the 2024 course will be announced at the AGM on 12 October.

Inquiries and consideration to host an IALL course are addressed as they are received. Institutions wishing to submit a proposal may contact the IALL President or refer to IALL's criteria for hosting an annual course on our website <http://iall.org/annual-conference-2/criteria-for-future-conference-venues/>.

Kurt Carroll, Chair of the Conference Committee, September 2022