

Academy of Legal Studies in Business (ALSB) 2020 Conference

ALSB International Business Law Colloquium

CALL FOR PAPERS

The ALSB International Section is pleased to announce the inaugural **International Business Law Colloquium**, which will take place at the 2020 ALSB Annual Conference. The overarching objective of the International Colloquium is to encourage, support, and showcase scholarly research by ALSB members on international issues related to the legal environment of business. Selected papers will receive detailed feedback from discussants and other participants.

Format

- The International Colloquium will be held on **Thursday, August 6, 2020 from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM**. The International Colloquium has been scheduled so as to not conflict with paper and panel sessions at the 2020 ALSB Annual Conference.
- It is anticipated that three papers will be selected for the International Colloquium. Approximately 40 minutes will be allocated for each paper, which will include a 5 minute introduction by the author(s), 5-10 minutes for discussant comments, and the remaining 25-30 minutes devoted to group discussion.
- Participants will include the selected authors and invited discussants, current International Section officers and their invitees, and any ALSB members who indicate their interest in participating prior to the International Colloquium (see “To Participate” below). Papers will be circulated among the participants prior to the conference, and participants will be required to read the papers and come prepared to contribute to the group discussion.

Selection

- Submissions will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria: (1) contribution to the relevant literature; (2) topicality and relation to the field of international business law (or a related sub-field); (3) potential benefit of the International Colloquium to the paper and the author; and (4) suitability for potential publication in the *American Business Law Journal*, an international law journal, or another law journal. In addition, submissions that address the 2020 ALSB Annual Conference theme of disruption are encouraged but not required.
- Submissions should substantively engage with international business law or related topics or the international or comparative dimensions of a domestic area of law or otherwise address the transnational or global dimensions of business. Submissions focused exclusively or primarily on domestic (U.S. or otherwise) legal matters will not be considered.
- Co-authored papers are welcome, and one or more co-authors may participate in the International Colloquium.
- Submissions should not have been published or accepted for publication.
- Authors may submit for paper awards at the 2020 ALSB Annual Conference (including the Holmes-Cardozo Award and the Ralph Bunche Award for Outstanding International Paper) and the ALSB Proceedings. Authors may present papers in a regular paper session

at the 2020 ALSB Annual Conference in addition to participating in the International Colloquium.

- Submissions will be reviewed and selected for the International Colloquium by the International Section officers.
- The deadline for submissions (see “To Participate” below) is **May 1, 2020**. Authors will be notified of their selection by **June 8, 2020** and will be required to provide a complete draft by **July 6, 2020**. Papers will be circulated to all participants shortly thereafter.
- Authors agree to acknowledge the ALSB International Business Law Colloquium in a footnote when the article is published.

To Participate

As an author. If you wish to participate in the International Colloquium as an author, please send an email with an abstract of your paper and a brief explanation of how the paper would benefit from the International Colloquium.

As a non-author participant. If you wish to participate in the International Colloquium as a non-author, please send an email **prior to the International Colloquium** and you will be added to the invitee list.

Submissions and questions should be directed to Stephen Park, President of the ALSB International Section, at stephen.park@uconn.edu.

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