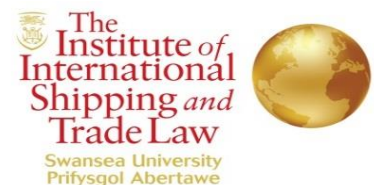


# LEX PETROLEA – REALITY OR MYTH?

## An International Symposium 21 June 2016

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The idea of the *lex petrolea* as the customary law of the petroleum industry, and possibly even as an aspect of some more general *lex mercatoria*, has long been argued about in both in academic and judicial circles. Today, in the light of the ever-increasing complexities of the global petroleum industry, the existence and composition of *lex petrolea* as an element of the transnational law of ownership, extraction, transportation and trade of hydrocarbon resources is more important than ever. To this end, the **Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law**, part of Swansea University's College of Law and Criminology, has organised a joint one-day seminar on the subject with the **Center for Energy, Law, and Business of University of Texas Law School**. This will take place on 21 June 2016. Speakers, selected from both academia and practice, will aim to look at all aspects of the reality of the *lex petrolea* and at recent developments in the sector. Discussion will move well beyond the theoretical existential question of the *lex petrolea*, and will (it is envisaged) focus on the three distinctive areas of *petroleum arbitration*, *the legal frameworks governing the new frontiers of the industry in particular exploitation of non-conventional hydrocarbon resources (fracking)* and *maritime law*.



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### Speakers and Chairpersons:

- **Professor Simon Baughen**  
*Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, Swansea University*
- **Randy Burton**  
*Partner, Fisherbroyles, Houston*
- **Professor Terence Daintith**  
*IALS, University of London*
- **Tabetha Kurtz-Shefford**  
*Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, Swansea University*
- **Sophie Nappert**  
*Arbitrator, Gray's Inn, London*
- **Simon Rainey QC**  
*Quadrant Chambers*
- **Professor Melinda E. Taylor**  
*Executive Director, Kay Bailey Hutchison Center for Energy, Law, and Business, University of Texas*
- **Dr Nima Mersadi Tabari**  
*Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, Swansea University*
- **Stephen Tromans QC**  
*39 Essex Chambers*
- **Professor Michael F. Sturley**  
*Fannie Coplin Regents Chair in Law, University of Texas*
- **Professor Andrew Tettenborn**  
*Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, Swansea University*
- **Youri van Logchem**  
*Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, Swansea University*

### Topics discussed will be varied, but will include:

- Boundaries of Oil and Gas Law
- Gas Pricing Disputes: Is Arbitration Delivering?
- Protection of Foreign Direct Investment in Upstream Enterprises
- Environmental Regulations and Hydraulic Fracturing: Lessons Learned from the U.S. Experience and Implications of the 2015 Paris Agreement
- Regulation of Fracking in the UK
- What is a ship in the context of petroleum law?
- Pollution from Offshore Installations- A Sui Generis Liability Regime?
- Offshore Oil and Gas Resources: Is There a Rule of Capture under International Law of the Sea?

### Registration and other details:

The Symposium will be held on **21 June 2016** at **Etc. Venues, Monument, 8 Eastcheap, London EC3M 1AE**. Registration starts at 8.45 am. Lunch, refreshments and delegates pack are included in the registration fee.

Registration fee: **£100.00** (a reduced rate of **£50.00** is offered to students with a valid student status)

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The closing date for registration is **13 June 2016**

We will try to accommodate those applying after that date, but can make no guarantees in that respect. More detailed information and joining instructions will be sent to delegates on registration.