

## Season's Greetings and Best Wishes to all INLA Members



### Message from the INLA's President, Bill Horin

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Dear INLA Members,

I wish to thank each of you for your continued support throughout the pandemic. Your participation in INLA activities, communications and our planning of future events is fundamental to INLA and immensely appreciated.

I know that in different parts of the world there continues to be after almost two years pandemic impacts on our global community. I hope all of you, your families, and friends remain safe, and healthy during these times.

Let me take a moment to bring you up to date on a couple of key INLA initiatives.

First, and most recently, is the **INLA Virtual Nuclear Inter Jura Congress 2021**, that was held in October. After the cancellation of the Congress 2020, we were ready for an event in which all members could participate. It was a successful event, with many INLA members participating as speakers or spokespersons, and as observers. These INLA members provided topical presentations and, in some instances, also conducted Working Group business planning meetings! Every Working Group (including the new Working Group 8 (Fusion)) participated in the Congress. I must reiterate that your support in this regard was impressive and appreciated! In addition, we had significant key speakers from the global nuclear community, including Mr. William Magwood, IV (OECD/NEA), Dr. Kathryn Huff (US DOE), Ms. Peri Lynne Johnson (IAEA), and Mr. Stephen Burns (Retired NRC, OECD/NEA). Posting to the INLA website of materials from the Congress is imminent.

Further, the Virtual Congress 2021 was conducted with an overall goal of enhancing Working Group member involvement and Working Group activity. In this regard, and as discussed briefly at the recent General Assembly, we will also be contacting Working Group management shortly in support of this INLA goal.

Also, see the section in this newsletter regarding the member survey for Working Group participation. We would request all of you to take a few minutes and complete the survey!

*In addition, and for all of your 2022 planning, I want to take this opportunity to announce that the **INLA Nuclear Inter Jura Congress 2022** will be held, in person, in Washington, DC, at the Willard Hotel, this coming October 23-27, 2022. The Willard is a classic hotel in downtown DC which also held the 1999 INLA Congress. We will be revisiting with those who have already submitted abstracts with respect to their intentions for 2022, and seek abstract updates as needed. We will also reach out again for any new contributors who would be interested in participation.*

Again, thanks to all for their continued support and contribution. Also, please take advantage of joining a Working Group and participating in their activities as part of your INLA membership.

And stay safe!

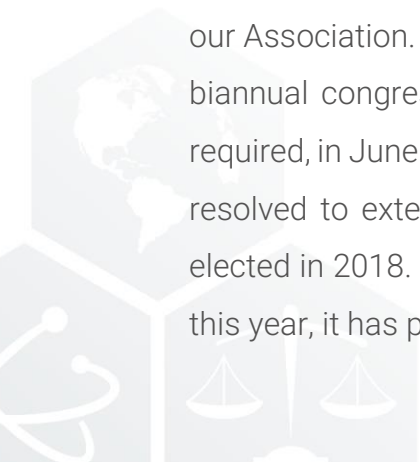
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## **Governance of the Association**

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There is no need to emphasize the impact of the covid pandemic on the activities of our Association. It has resulted notably in a double postponement of the traditional biannual congress. This situation combined with the statutory rules had already required, in June 2020, to convene a "distance" General Assembly of INLA which had resolved to extend until the end of 2021 the term of the Board of Management elected in 2018. With the continuation of the travel and meeting restrictions during this year, it has proved necessary to hold again a virtual

General Assembly, on 1st December 2021, which has decided a new one-year extension of the Board, with the firm hope that a proper election of a new Board can be held in Washington, in October 2022.

As a reminder, the composition of the current Board is as follows:

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## **New INLA Members – Welcome!**

We welcome all the new INLA members who have joined us since September 2021, to know:

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We encourage each one of you to join any of the Working Groups (WGs) of INLA to interact with all other INLA members throughout the years and exchange views and latest legal developments from your jurisdiction. You can read more about the 8 Working Groups of INLA on our website: <http://aidn-inla.be/working-groups/>

## Member Survey about Working Groups

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As shown with our Virtual Congress, the Working Groups are the core of the INLA work and focus. Therefore, we thought it relevant to prepare a simple survey that inquires as to members interest in one or more of the Working Groups. The average time to complete the survey is about 3 minutes – it can be completed whilst enjoying your morning coffee! Some of you have already responded providing excellent feedback. Thank you!

To the other 90% of INLA's membership that has yet to respond, please do so within the next couple of weeks. Your feedback is vitally important to help ensure that INLA can help support the professional development and advancement of its members. You may access the survey via the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XWMTNX6>



## News from the INLA Working Groups

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Despite the inevitable negative impact of the covid pandemic on the working of INLA WGs, here are some interesting developments worth sharing:

- Working Group 8 on Nuclear Fusion

Working Group 8 welcomes any of its INLA Members who are lawyers working in the fission or non-fission industries contributing to the nuclear fusion R&D, or professionals with technical background showing interest in the international regulation of nuclear fusion.

Working Group 8 plans to hold a virtual meeting during the Spring of 2022 to discuss its objectives and to prepare its session programme for the Washington Conference. If you're interested in becoming a Member of Working Group 8, you can contact Karoly Tamas Olajos (Chairperson for Europe and the Rest of the World) at [karoly.olajos@f4e.europa.eu](mailto:karoly.olajos@f4e.europa.eu) or William E. Fork (Chairperson for the North American Region) at [william.fork@pillsburylaw.com](mailto:william.fork@pillsburylaw.com).

## Academic Corner

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### IAEA International Nuclear Law Conference: Vienna, 7-11 February, 2022

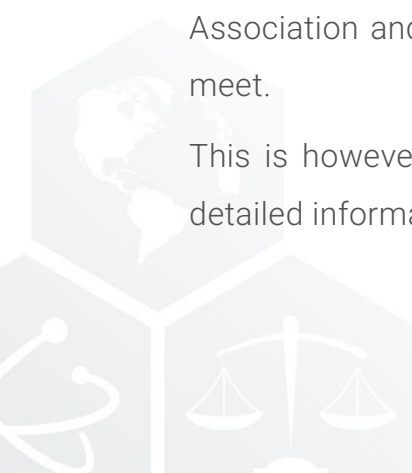
This is a reminder about the IAEA First International Nuclear Law Conference - The Global Debate (ICNL 2022). The conference will be held at the headquarters of the Agency at Vienna, from 7 to 11 February, 2022. You'll find all the information here: <https://www.iaea.org/events/icnl-2022>

This meeting is intended to provide a forum for representatives of governments, international and non-governmental organizations, for the nuclear industry, the legal and insurance sectors, academia and the civil society, to discuss current nuclear law matters.

The conference will be made of topical sessions, high-level roundtable and panel discussions on cross-cutting issues, covering the four branches of nuclear law, namely safety, security, safeguards and civil liability - as well as the interaction of nuclear law with other fields of law.

Upon the kind invitation of the IAEA, it is planned during the Conference to organize an INLA Side Event with a view to inform about the activities of our Association and to enable all interested persons – INLA members or else – to meet.

This is however subject to the evolution of the current covid wave and more detailed information will be provided in due course on this event.



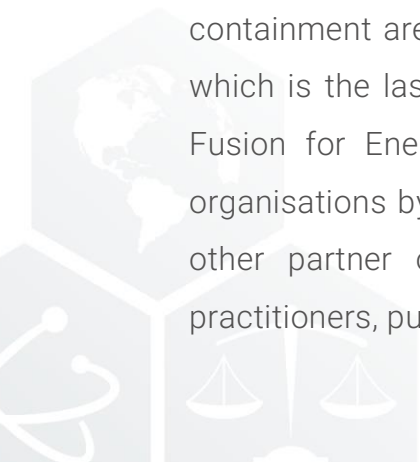
### Fundamentals of International Nuclear Law (FINL), online: 14-18 February, 2022

The Fundamentals of International Nuclear Law (FINL) was developed by the NEA to provide a high-level, introductory review of the central aspects of international nuclear law in a condensed 3 hours per day online programme. The 2022 FINL will take place from 14-18 February. Selected participants are expected to attend the entire 5-day programme. Like the NEA's other educational programmes (International School of Nuclear Law and International Nuclear Law Essentials), the FINL will be conducted under the leadership of Paul Bowden, Honorary Professor of Law, The Nottingham Law School. The 2022 FINL will be limited to 40 applicants. Priority will be given to applicants who have not yet attended either of the NEA's other two educational programmes. Application forms should be submitted by Monday, 31 January 2022, at the latest. More information, including the application form, can be found here: [http://www.oecd-nea.org/jcms/pl\\_61151/fundamentals-of-international-nuclear-law-finl-2022](http://www.oecd-nea.org/jcms/pl_61151/fundamentals-of-international-nuclear-law-finl-2022).

### Fusion for Energy workshop in Cadarache, France in June 2022

Fusion for Energy, the European Joint Undertaking for ITER will organise a three-day workshop in June 2022 in Cadarache, France, at the ITER construction site focusing on the lessons one can learn from the procurement and contracting strategies and contract management practices of nuclear new build projects, including ITER where the construction of the Tokamak Complex buildings is almost complete.

In order to have a nuclear technology-neutral exchange, and because a large portion of the capital cost of ITER is linked to the ITER buildings and site infrastructure (and not to the fusion technology itself), the workshop will intend to focus on buildings and site infrastructure. Delay avoidance and cost containment are key topics for the construction of the ITER Hot Cell Complex, which is the last capital-intensive construction project at the ITER site, where Fusion for Energy believes this workshop could add value for the partner organisations by sharing their experience with, and seeking feedback from, the other partner organisations and selected audience from academia, legal practitioners, public and intergovernmental organisations.





The programme includes discussion on how the procurement and contracting strategy, the chosen form of contract and contract management practices can influence the success of a construction project and how the supply chain can be “nuclearised”; hence, the workshop may also interest audience from countries embarking on new nuclear programmes.

INLA supports the workshop and is ready to mobilise its working groups to gather the experiences and participants from nuclear new build projects around the world.

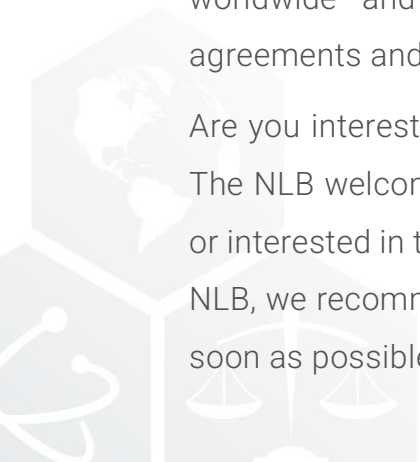
The workshop will be an opportunity also for INLA to organise a joint meeting of the interested working groups to meet in person, to visit the ITER site and to witness the assembly of the ITER Machine. To this end, Working Group 8 on Nuclear Fusion will meet in person the first time since its inception and plans to have a dedicated panel discussion on how nuclear fusion should be regulated internationally.

If you're interested in participating or making a contribution to the discussion with a view to identifying key success factors for the procurement and contracting strategies and contract management practices of nuclear new build projects, please contact Karoly Tamas Olajos at: [karoly.olajos@f4e.europa.eu](mailto:karoly.olajos@f4e.europa.eu)

### **Nuclear Law Bulletin:**

The NEA's Nuclear Law Bulletin (NLB) is a unique international publication for both professionals and academics in the field of nuclear law. It provides authoritative and comprehensive information on nuclear law developments. Published twice a year in both English and French, it features topical articles written by renowned legal experts, covers nuclear legislative developments worldwide and reports on relevant case law, bilateral and international agreements and regulatory activities of international organisations.

Are you interested in writing an article for the NEA Nuclear Law Bulletin (NLB)? The NLB welcomes submissions from professionals and academics involved in or interested in the field of nuclear law. If you would like to write an article for the NLB, we recommend that you contact the NEA Office of Legal Counsel (OLC) as soon as possible at: [nlb@oecd-nea.org](mailto:nlb@oecd-nea.org).





For more information on the publication process, see:  
[www.oecd-nea.org/law/nlb/pubprocess.html](http://www.oecd-nea.org/law/nlb/pubprocess.html).

## **Job positions / research opportunities / internship announcements**

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### **NEA, Paris**

The OECD Nuclear Energy Agency's Office of Legal Counsel (OLC) accepts applications for internships from students from its **member countries** throughout the year. If you are interested in applying for an OLC internship, please send a cover letter and your resume or CV to [olc@oecd-nea.org](mailto:olc@oecd-nea.org).

These internships are open for full time students who:

- are enrolled in the field of international law (and most preferably, private or public international law, environmental law);
- speak fluent English and have excellent analytical and drafting skills; knowledge of French would be an advantage, as would knowledge of other languages used at the OECD;
- are capable of working in a team in a multicultural and international environment.

Contract duration is up to six months and is for a full-time programme (40h per week). Please make sure your availability clearly appears in your cover letter.

## **Price for INLA – Membership fees – Introducing PayPal**

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The Board has decided to leave the membership fees for 2022 unchanged, that is: 90€ for ordinary members and 20€ for students.

As you know, the PayPal system has now been launched to facilitate all membership payments; or for onward disbursement by the domestic chapters of the membership fees they collected. Should you have any questions in this regard, please, don't hesitate to contact: [info@aidn-inla.be](mailto:info@aidn-inla.be).

## Remember: on-line directory of all INLA members

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Should you want to quickly find a contact of any of the INLA members while on the go, do think of consulting INLA's on-line membership roster:

<http://aidn-inla.be/membership/membership-roster/>.



## Feel free to suggest!

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As you know, we have created a "suggestion box" on INLA's website to enable all INLA members to share their suggestions with regard to INLA's activities, or any topic of relevance to INLA. Feel free to send your ideas and feedback to:

<http://aidn-inla.be/suggestion-box/>

