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Message from the President

Earlier this month I had the privilege of attending the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department's Seventh Annual International Law Colloquium hosted by the Office of International Law at Old Parliament House in Canberra.

Sue Robertson from the Office of International Law led the organisation of the Colloquium and there was rich discussion on cross-cutting issues in international law throughout the day. The colloquium opened with a very engaging keynote address by the Solicitor-General, Stephen Donoghue QC and it was clear that the Solicitor-General had a deep interest in and knowledge of a range of international legal topics of relevance to Australia and Australian law.

One of the great strengths of events such as the International Law Colloquium is that it affords government lawyers and academics an opportunity to gain a fuller appreciation of the disparate contexts in which the 'college' of international lawyers work. For academics, it means understanding the demands that practitioners face in producing actionable advice based on the law as it stands, and not what we might like it to be. For government lawyers, hearing of the latest international legal research can provide new perspectives and insights, especially on newly emerging issues on which there is uncertainty and controversy.

ANZSIL's annual conference is also an occasion for these kinds of fruitful practitioner-academic interactions, and in this respect, I am pleased that the theme of the 2018 conference speaks directly to a topic that has both practical and theoretical importance – the relationship between international law and national law. Alberto Costi, Joanna Mossop, Victoria Hallum and Ben Keith are leading the conference organisation, and the [call for papers](#) has now been circulated. Paper and panel proposals are to be submitted online on the [ANZSIL webpage](#).

As always, I extend my thanks to Zoe Scanlon and Anna Hood for their work as Editors of the ANZSIL Newsletter. And can I also take this opportunity to wish all ANZSIL members all the very best for Christmas and the New Year.

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Recent Australian Practice in International Law

(Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade)

> Australia reaches agreement with Timor-Leste on a draft treaty on maritime boundaries

On 13 October 2017, Australia and Timor-Leste reached agreement on treaty text delimiting their maritime boundaries, and addressing the legal status and sharing of resources in the Timor Sea. Australia and Timor-Leste agreed the text through a series of confidential meetings under the auspices of a Conciliation Commission constituted under Annex V of the United Nations Convention of the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).

The draft treaty reflects a Comprehensive Package Agreement reached by Australia and Timor-Leste on 30 August 2017. The Comprehensive Package Agreement included the central elements of a maritime boundary and a process of engagement leading to an early decision on the development of the Greater Sunrise gas field in the Timor Sea.

Australia's Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Hon Julie Bishop MP, called the reaching of the agreement a 'landmark day' in the relationship between Timor-Leste and Australia. Minister Bishop and Timor-Leste Chief Negotiator and former President Xanana Gusmao thanked the Commission for its role in bringing the parties together. The Chairman of the Conciliation Commission, Danish Ambassador Peter Taksøe-Jensen, commended the parties for being able to reach an equitable and balanced solution that benefits both parties.

The parties will meet with the Commission in late 2017 to review progress on the development of the Greater Sunrise gas field and set a date for signing the treaty by the end of the year or early 2018 if satisfied with progress.

> First Pacific Islands Roundtable on International Humanitarian Law

The first Pacific Islands Roundtable on International Humanitarian Law (IHL), co-hosted by the International Committee of the Red Cross and Fiji, reaffirmed the relevance of IHL in the Pacific region. Discussions focused on reducing the impact of weapons, effects of climate change leading to conflict, regulating peacekeepers and private security actors and the importance of disseminating, implementing and teaching IHL. Australia attended in an observer capacity, together with New Zealand and Switzerland. The roundtable proved to be a valuable forum for regional exchanges on IHL and experiences in its national implementation.

> Australia's submission to the UN Human Rights Committee on General Comment No. 36

The United Nations Human Rights Committee (the Committee) issued draft *General Comment No. 36 on Article 6 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights*, on the right to life, during its 120th Session in July 2017. The draft General Comment is available [here](#). The Committee invited all interested stakeholders, including States, to comment on the draft General Comment.

On 6 October 2017, Australia provided a submission to the Committee, which is available [here](#). In its submission, Australia informed the Committee that, in its view, the draft General Comment was 'in many respects too broad, and could more clearly reflect the scope of States Parties' obligations under Article 6 of the [International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights]'. The submission also noted that it was Australia's view that the draft General Comment was overly prescriptive and in certain respects did not reflect the current state of international law.

> Australia's participation in WTO disputes

Australia actively participated as a third party in a series of WTO disputes between August and November 2017. This enabled Australia to make submissions to dispute settlement panels and the WTO Appellate Body on the operation of trade rules in support of Australia's commercial interests. Australia also responded to a request for WTO dispute consultations in September. The disputes Australia participated in are set out below.

> *Australia – Anti-Dumping Measures on A4 Copy Paper (DS529)*

Indonesia requested consultations with Australia in September 2017 on anti-dumping measures imposed on Australian imports of Indonesian A4 copy paper. The request by Indonesia alleged that the Australian Anti-Dumping Commission (ADC) did not calculate normal value in a manner consistent with the *Anti-Dumping Agreement* (ADA) and the *General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade* (GATT 1994). The ADC's calculations are currently subject to domestic merits review by the Anti-Dumping Review Panel. Consultations took place between Indonesia and Australia in October 2017 in line with the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

> *Ukraine – Ammonium Nitrate (DS493)*

In August 2017, Australia participated in the third party session before the Panel. This dispute raised issues of systemic significance for Australia because the Panel had been asked to consider how the ADA and GATT 1994 permit investigating authorities to calculate normal value in anti-dumping investigations.

> *Indonesia — Importation of Horticultural Products, Animals and Animal Products (DS477/DS478)*

Australia participated in the Appellate Body hearing for this dispute in August 2017. Participating gave Australia an opportunity to advocate particular interpretations of GATT and the *Agreement on Agriculture* to remove certain impediments to Indonesian agricultural markets for Australian exporters. The Appellate Body issued its report on 9 November 2017, agreeing with the co-complainants and Australia that Indonesia was in violation of its WTO commitments and that these impediments should be removed.

> *Canada – Measures Governing the Sale of Wine in Grocery Stores (second complaint) (DS531)*

In October 2017, Australia requested to join consultations in a dispute the US launched against Canadian measures affecting the sale of wine. Should the US request a Panel be established, Australia will have the opportunity to engage as a third party and promote interpretations of the GATT 1994 which help promote access to Canada's wine markets for Australian exporters.

> *Indonesia – Safeguard on Certain Iron or Steel Products (DS490/DS496)*

Australia made a third participant submission to the Appellate Body in this dispute in October 2017. Australia expressed views on what constitutes a safeguard measure and which obligations under the GATT 1994 a safeguard measure can suspend. This dispute considered legal issues related to the interpretation of GATT 1994 and the *Agreement on Safeguards*.

> *Brazil – Certain Measures Concerning Taxation and Charges (DS472/DS497)*

Australia made a third participant submission to the Appellate Body in this dispute in October 2017. This dispute considered how the GATT and *Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures* help define how subsidies are able to be used by WTO Members, including Australia and its trading partners.

> *China – Domestic Support for Agricultural Producers (DS511)*

Australia made a third party submission to the Panel considering this dispute in November 2017. Australia is participating in this dispute to help shape the interpretation of parts of the *Agreement on Agriculture* that deal with domestic support for agricultural producers.

> *Russia – Measures Concerning Traffic in Transit (DS512)*

Australia made a third party submission to the Panel considering this dispute in November 2017. Australia is participating in this dispute as it raises complex legal and political issues regarding applicability and interpretation of the security exception contained in Article XXI of the GATT 1994. Australia's submission considers the Panel's jurisdiction to hear the matter in light of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

> *EU – Measures Related to Price Comparison Methodologies (DS516)*

Australia made a third party submission to the Panel considering this dispute in November 2017. Australia is participating in this dispute because it addresses significant systemic issues that define how WTO Members can calculate the normal value of goods in anti-dumping investigations.

An overview of Australia's approach to WTO disputes, and copies of Australia's submissions to WTO panels and the Appellate Body for the disputes listed above, can be viewed [here](#).

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade also regularly conducts outreach activities with industry, government, legal and academic stakeholders on Australia's use of the WTO dispute settlement system, as well as developments in investment law. For further information contact trade.law@dfat.gov.au.

Recent New Zealand Practice in International Law (Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade)

> Prosecution under the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) Regulations 2006

On 11 October 2017, Pacific Aerospace Limited appeared in the Manukau District Court and entered a guilty plea to three charges under regulation 5 of the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic People's Republic of North Korea) Regulations 2006 relating to the indirect export of three aircraft parts to North Korea. The plane in question was sold by Pacific Aerospace to a Chinese company but on sold to interests in North Korea. Pacific Aerospace also entered a guilty plea to one charge under the Customs and Excise Act 1996 for making an erroneous declaration about parts exported inside the aircraft but not declared. Pacific Aerospace will be sentenced in January 2018. The maximum penalty for a company for a breach of the sanctions regulations is a fine of up to \$100,000. This is the first time that the New Zealand government has undertaken an investigation and prosecution under United Nations sanctions regulations.

> Extending the UNFCCC and Paris Agreement to Tokelau

New Zealand has extended the territorial application of both the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement to Tokelau.

New Zealand ratified the UNFCCC in 1993 and the Paris Agreement in 2016. In each instrument of ratification, New Zealand explicitly excluded the territorial application of the Convention and Agreement to Tokelau. While substantially self-governing in practice, Tokelau does not have its own international legal personality. Any treaty making in respect of Tokelau is done by the New Zealand Government in consultation with the Government of Tokelau. Following consultation on the UNFCCC and Paris

Agreement, Tokelau requested that New Zealand extend the territorial application of both the Convention and Agreement to Tokelau. New Zealand did this by depositing declarations with the United Nations as depositary on 14 November 2017.

The extension is likely to result in increased recognition for Tokelau's climate mitigation work, as well as greater focus on its vulnerability to the effects of climate change, given New Zealand's national reporting to the UNFCCC will now report on action taken by Tokelau, such as its contribution to mitigation and adaptation to the impacts of climate change.

> New Zealand's Participation in WTO Disputes

> *Indonesia – Importation of Horticultural Products, Animals and Animal Products (WT/DS477,478)*

In August, New Zealand appeared as a principal party before the World Trade Organisation Appellate Body in *Indonesia – Importation of Horticultural Products, Animals and Animal Products (WT/DS477,478)*. These appeal proceedings were initiated by Indonesia following a WTO panel ruling in December 2016 which found that 18 agricultural restrictions challenged by New Zealand and the United States were inconsistent with Indonesia's WTO obligations. On 9 November the Appellate Body upheld the key findings of the Panel, confirming that all 18 of the agricultural trade barriers at issue are inconsistent with Article XI:1 of the GATT 1994.

> *Canada — Measures Governing the Sale of Wine in Grocery Stores (WT/DS 531)*

New Zealand participated as a third party in the consultations phase of the second WTO dispute brought by the US challenging Canadian provincial (British Columbia) non-tariff barriers on wine imports. New Zealand's participation reflects our substantial trade interest in this measure. Canada is New Zealand's fourth largest wine export market (worth \$107 million per year).

> Recent Developments with New Zealand's Free Trade Agreements

New Zealand continues to be actively involved in negotiations for the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement and has commenced negotiations to update its existing free trade agreements with China and Singapore. New Zealand also attended the first round of FTA negotiations with the Pacific Alliance. New Zealand is negotiating to become an associated state of the Pacific Alliance, alongside Australia, Canada and Singapore.

On 11 November New Zealand, along with 10 other countries reached agreement on a list of suspensions for the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for the Trans-Pacific Partnership, which incorporates the TPP. Work remains on four specific items to be finalised before the date of signature of the Agreement.

ANZSIL Conference 2018 - *International Law: From the Local to the Global*

The details of the 26th ANZSIL 2018 Conference have been announced. The Conference will be hosted at the University of Victoria, Wellington, New Zealand from **5 - 7 July 2018**.

The Conference theme for 2018 is ***International Law: From the Local to the Global***.

International law practice and scholarship is increasingly confronted by the tension between the global aspirations and traditions of international law and the impact of more local demands. Law and institutions that have been built upon state-centric institutions and universalist aspirations face the challenge of shifts in regional perspectives; the impact of legislatures, referenda and other national political processes; development and sometimes divergence in national foreign relations law; and the capacities of non-state actors. The 26th ANZSIL Annual Conference will be an opportunity to explore these themes as they arise across a range contexts.

The intersection of domestic law and politics with international law

The 2017 ANZSIL Conference explored the role of international law in an age of nationalism, which is continuing to have an influence in many States. How do domestic law and politics affect international law? Are some national legal systems becoming more open or more closed to international influences? If so what are the reasons for this? And to what extent are there major differences in the ways in which national legal systems conceptualise international law? Does this undermine assumptions about the universality of international law?

The intersection between regionalism and globalism

There is ongoing tension in international law between the development of global rules and institutions, and the ascendancy of regionalism – as seen for example in the preference for regional trade agreements over new WTO rules and the argument that the international community has no role to play in security disputes in particular regions. Does this move challenge the international rule of law, or is it an opportunity for international law to respond to the needs of particular groups of States?

The emergence of new (and old) global challenges

New challenges are arising for the international community all the time. Meanwhile, the existing challenges continue, but in a time at which national interests are sometimes being promoted over the stability of the international order. Are the existing international legal frameworks capable of effectively responding to these developments? Are the principles on which our international legal order are based under threat? Or can we be confident that the international rule of law is sufficiently robust that our contemporary challenges are no more problematic than those that arose in the past?

Particular issues of interest may include, for example:

- International or foreign policy-making and social media
- Journalism, international media conglomerates and democracy
- Data protection and innovation, trade and investment promotion
- Balancing surveillance needs with data protection
- Between local and global: the challenges of cybersecurity
- Protection of the environment in the climate change era (including domestic barriers to international climate change objectives)
- International or cross-border migration and the future labour force
- The future of international (development) aid and regional issues (especially in relation to the Pacific)
- Transnational cooperation and non-legally binding international instruments
- The role of culture and customs in international law
- International challenges and opportunities for middle powers

Call for papers

The Conference Organising Committee is currently accepting paper and panel proposals on topics connected to the theme ‘From the Local to the Global’ including:

- The intersection of domestic law and politics with international law
- The intersection between regionalism and globalism
- The emergence of new (and old) global challenges

In the tradition of ANZSIL Conferences, the Conference Organising Committee also invites and welcomes proposals on international law topics not connected to the Conference theme.

The deadline for paper and panel proposals is **2 March 2018**. Those proposing papers for presentation at the Conference should submit a single Word document comprised of:

- An abstract of no more than 250 words (papers with abstracts in excess of 250 words will not be considered);

- A biographical note of no more than 200 words (for possible inclusion in the Conference program); and
- A one page curriculum vitae.

Those proposing panels for presentation at the Conference should submit:

- A synopsis of no more than 250 words, explaining the rationale and theme of the panel; and
- Three or four paper proposals, including in each case the information requested above (250-word abstract, 200-word biographical note and one-page curriculum vitae).

The information requested above should be provided in a single Word document entitled “ANZSIL Conference 2018 Paper Proposal: [Your Name] [Title of Paper]”. Please submit your paper proposal using the [application form](#).

The full call for papers and conference details are available [here](#).

ANZSIL International Economic Law Interest Group Workshop

The ANZSIL International Economic Law Interest Group (IELIG) held a Workshop in Sydney on Thursday 12 October 2017. Timed to coincide with the IBA Conference, which was held in Sydney from 8 – 13 October 2017, the Workshop brought together academics and practitioners based in Australia and New Zealand, as well as international visitors from the United Kingdom, Singapore and India.

Four panel sessions were convened, which were organised around the themes of International Investment Law Developments in the Region, Transnational Legal Standards and Private International Law, Hot Topics in Trade and Investment, and International Trade Law and the Environment. Those who presented papers at the Workshop were Assistant Professor Mahdev Mohan (Singapore Management University), Dr Jeanne Huang (University of New South Wales), Shreyas Jayasimha (Aarna Law, Bangalore, India), Professor Luke Nottage (University of Sydney), James Woolrich (Jenner & Block, London), Dr Heng Wang (University of New South Wales), Dr Christian Riffel (University of Canterbury), Dr Jonathan Bonnitcha (University of New South Wales) and Dr Juan He (University of Western Australia). The sessions were chaired by Professor Chester Brown (University of Sydney), Dr Anna Kirk (Bankside Chambers, Auckland), Associate Professor Amokura Kawharu (University of Auckland), and Dr Christian Riffel (University of Canterbury).

As ANZSIL members will be aware, the IELIG was established to provide a forum for those interested in international economic law, especially international regulation of trade, investment, intellectual property and monetary law. The Workshop provided an excellent opportunity for participants and attendees to exchange views on the many developments which are shaping this rapidly moving field.

The IELIG is grateful to Sydney Law School and to the Sydney Centre for International Law for having hosted the Workshop, and looks forward to welcoming ANZSIL members to another event in the not-too-distant future.

Professor Chester Brown
Dr Anna Kirk
Co-Chairs, IELIG

ANZSIL Internship Report

> Internship Report from the International Criminal Court: Claire McGeorge

Between January and July 2017, I undertook an internship with the Appeals Section of the Prosecution Division of the International Criminal Court (ICC). This proved an exciting time to be at the ICC. Some key decisions were delivered during my term including the Trial Chamber’s rejection of a challenge to its

jurisdiction over war crimes committed by members of an armed group against members of the same group in *Ntaganda*.

As an Appeals Section intern, I provided research support to a group of highly talented and passionate advocates to assist them with the preparation of filings, primarily in relation to the Prosecution's appeal of the sentences in *Bemba et al.* One of the more challenging tasks I was assigned required me to research the approaches adopted by different jurisdictions with respect to the submission and admission of evidence. I spent many happy hours deciphering and comparing criminal procedure in civil and common law countries, and emerged with increased confidence in conducting comparative legal research (particularly legal research in French!).

My time at the ICC was busy, but balanced with opportunities to build friendships with incredibly inspiring people from all over the world. The Hague is an amazing place to live; being a centre of international law, you are spoilt for choice with lectures and events on all things international law happening right on your doorstep. Overall, my internship provided me with an invaluable insight into the ICC and the chance to experience the day-to-day operation of international criminal law. Needless to say, it has reaffirmed my desire to pursue a career in this field.

Like most internships in the international law world, internships at the ICC are entirely unpaid. As such, ANZSIL's grant was crucial in allowing me to take advantage of this opportunity. I am extremely grateful for ANZSIL's support in undertaking this internship.



Claire McGeorge at the International Criminal Court

ANZSIL Financial Support for Events or Activities

The principal activity of ANZSIL is the convening of the annual conference. However, providing that sufficient funds are available, ANZSIL also endeavours to provide financial support for additional events and activities convened by Members of the Society, consistent with its aims. Requests for financial support

from ANZSIL to convene events or activities can be made in accordance with the new [Guidelines for Applying for Financial Support from ANZSIL for Events and Activities](#), which are available on the ANZSIL website.

Upcoming Events and Calls for Papers

> [International Law Year in Review Conference at the University of Sydney](#)

The Sydney Centre for International Law at the University of Sydney Law School is pleased to present the sixth International Law Year in Review Conference, to be held at the Sydney Law School on Friday 23 February 2018. The conference will enable the participants to gain insight into the most recent developments in international law over the preceding year, including relevant developments for Australia.

Speakers at the conference will include leading scholars and legal practitioners from a wide field who will provide an in-depth and critical analysis of contemporary developments in international law, including in respect of treaty-making, private international law, and major international law litigation. Participation will enable lawyers and non-lawyers alike to remain abreast of important trends in international legal affairs.

Highlights of the day will include a keynote address by Professor Ivana Bacik, Trinity College Dublin; a panel on treaty making including Tim Wright from the International Campaign Against Nuclear Weapons (ICAN, the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize recipient); a special panel on developments in International Human Rights Law, Humanitarian Law and Criminal Law; a new panel on New Technologies and International Law; and a literary lunch with an Australian author.

> [International Law Year in Review Conference at the National University of Singapore](#)

The Centre for International Law at the National University of Singapore will hold its first International Law Year in Review Conference on 8 February 2018 in Singapore. The conference will canvass key developments at the International Court of Justice and other international courts and tribunals, significant treaty-making, legislative and judicial developments, and key issues to watch. Participation will give lawyers and non-lawyers alike a broad overview of the key trends in international law. Highlights of the day will include:

- Singapore's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Ambassador Burhan Gafoor, presenting a view from inside the United Nations in New York.
- Ambassador Kwok Fook Seng, Singapore's former Chief Negotiator for the Paris Accord, looking at the future of the Paris Accord.
- A special panel including Canada's Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin, Justice Quentin Loh and Mr Alvin Yeoh SC on the courts and international and foreign law.
- A literary lunch with acclaimed Singaporean playwright Mr Haresh Sharma from The Necessary Stage in discussion with Ambassador-at-Large Professor Tommy Koh.

More information is available [here](#).

> [Teaching and Researching International Law in Asia Conference](#)

The Centre for International Law at the National University of Singapore will be hosting a conference from 21 to 22 June 2018 on 'Teaching and Researching International Law in Asia'. The broad purposes of the Conference are to assess the current state of teaching and research in international law in the Asia Pacific region, to identify commonly experienced challenges for teachers of international law, and to formulate a program of further action and activities to assist individuals in their teaching and research. This Conference follows in the footsteps of the successful Conference held on the same topic in Singapore in 2001. It also complements the ongoing work of the Asian Society of International Law.

The Conference will be preceded by a Junior Faculty Workshop on 20 June 2018, which is directed at exploring the challenges junior faculty confront at the beginning of their careers in establishing themselves as teachers and in developing a scholarly agenda.

Further information about these events and how to participate is available [here](#).

> **International Law Association Biennial Conference in Sydney 2018**

In 2018, the Australian Branch of the International Law Association will be hosting the biennial ILA conference. The conference, which is being held in Sydney, Australia, from 19-24 August 2018, is a major international event that will bring together hundreds of judges, academics, practitioners and officials of governments and international organisations from all around the globe.

The ILA biennial conferences provide an opportunity for members of the ILA Committees to meet and advance their work on discrete areas of international law. The current work of the ILA Committees may be found [here](#). Open sessions will be held on these topics to provide all attendees with the opportunity to learn of the Committees' work and to contribute to the development of the program of work. In addition, a program will run for all attendees on the core theme of the conference: Developing International Law in Challenging Times. A networking and social program is also being organised to run during the conference for international and inter-state visitors.

More information about the conference is available [here](#).

> **Asia-Pacific Workshop on International Law, Climate Change, Oceans and Coasts**

The Faculty of Law and Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) at the University of Tasmania are hosting a workshop to explore the legal issues arising from the impacts of climate change on Oceans and Coasts. The workshop will take place on 13-14 February 2018 at the University of Tasmania.

The workshop will bring together researchers from across the Asia Pacific to explore how the impacts of climate change may affect ocean and coastal law and governance; and the implications of international mitigation commitments for marine or coastal governance. Stakeholders from Commonwealth/State government (eg Department of Environment, Australian Fisheries Management Authority, Attorney-General's Department) and/or the NGO sector (eg WWF, ASOC) will also be invited to attend each day of the workshop to provide stakeholder feedback.

Papers are invited that address legal challenges relating to marine and coastal climate change adaptation or the legal implications of mitigation strategies for oceans or coastal law. We particularly welcome papers that examine issues from the perspective of Asian or Pacific Island nations or from a particular sectoral perspective. High-quality papers will be included in the *Research Handbook on Climate Change, Oceans and Coasts* (McDonald, McGee and Barnes (eds), Edward Elgar Publishing, 2018).

Abstracts should be emailed directly to workshop convenors Jan McDonald (jan.mcdonald@utas.edu.au) and Jeff McGee (Jeffrey.mcgee@utas.edu.au) by **15 December 2017**. Please do not hesitate to contact us by email should you wish to discuss your paper proposal ahead of time.

ANZSIL Member News

> **Professor Hilary Charlesworth and Associate Professor Margaret Young Awarded ARC Discovery Project**

Professor Hilary Charlesworth and Associate Professor Margaret Young have been awarded a Discovery Project by the ARC to explore 'The Potential and Limits of International Adjudication'. This project aims to analyse the place of adjudication in international affairs, using a case study of Australia's extensive

engagement with the International Court of Justice. The project sets out to provide the first detailed account of the context and impact of the cases in which Australia has been involved before the Court as well as to assess the complex roles that adjudication and advisory opinions can play in the resolution of international disputes more generally. This timely project will not only document an historic set of engagements spanning 70 years, but also provide guidance on when international adjudication may be productive for Australia, the Asia-Pacific region and the international legal order.



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