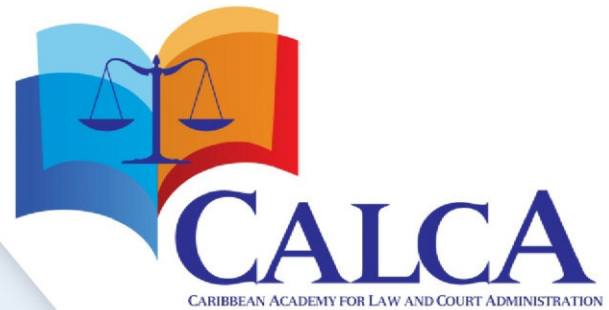


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LAW AT THE CROSS-ROADS:
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About the Conference

The Caribbean Academy for Law and Court Administration (CALCA) is the educational arm of the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ). CALCA has as its main objectives: the advancing of knowledge, training and research in the practical application of Law, especially International Law, and of the Administration of Justice in the Caribbean context. The primary vehicles employed by the Academy to secure the achievement of its objectives include seminars, workshops, exchanges, special lectures and biennial conferences.

This year CALCA has partnered with the General Legal Council of Jamaica (GLC) to present its 4th Biennial Conference from 27-29 October 2016. The Conference has been organised with a multi-jurisdictional orientation, spanning both the common law and civil law traditions, and will have presentations from distinguished regional and international jurists who will facilitate plenary and concurrent breakout sessions.

The 2016 CALCA Conference will offer impactful, practical content on various topical legal and transnational issues. Some of the general focus areas include:

1. Cross-border transactions
2. Cross-border insolvency
3. Tax avoidance schemes
4. Commercial law and practice
5. New challenges in financial regulations law
6. Arbitration
7. New economic perspectives (including legal perspectives on the opportunities and challenges of economic integration)
8. Legal practice and ethics

The Conference presents an ideal opportunity to supplement your knowledge of these areas and related international best practices, build your network of professional contacts in the region including those in Dutch, Spanish, and French speaking countries, and hear perspectives from a distinguished panel of speakers.

You should also consider taking time to explore the wonders of St. Maarten, an island renowned for its pristine beaches, gourmet cuisine, duty-free shopping and exciting attractions.



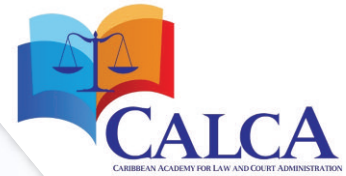
We look forward to seeing you at the 2016 Biennial Conference.

Who Is the Conference For?

- Judges
- Legal Practitioners
- Academic Faculty
- Tax and Financial Professionals
- Regulators
- Public Sector Officials
- Advisory Firms
- Private Sector Executives
- Educators and Researchers
- Trade and Development Experts
- Representatives from Multilateral Agencies



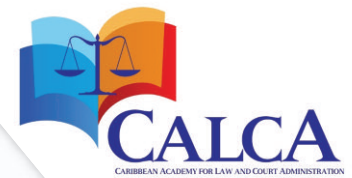
Conference Schedule at a Glance | Day 1



THURSDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2016

8:30am - 9:00am		OPENING CEREMONY
9:00am - 11:00am	Plenary	The New Lex Mercatoria: An Emerging Challenge to Legal Systems in Cross-Border Transactions <i>Presenter:</i> Professor Jan Dalhuisen – Emeritus Professor (recalled), The Dickson Poon School of Law, King’s College London
11:00am - 11:25am		NETWORKING BREAK
11:25am - 12:25pm	Concurrent	The Trust as the Modern Vehicle for Investment and Estate Planning <i>Presenter:</i> The Hon. Mr. Justice David Hayton– Judge of the Caribbean Court of Justice
	Concurrent	Drafting Commercial Contracts in an Evolving Environment <i>Presenter:</i> Sir Trevor Carmichael, KA, LVO, QC– Chairman, Chancery Chambers
	Concurrent	Litigation Over Climate Change and Sea Level Rise <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Scott Fulton – President, Environmental Law Institute
12:25pm - 1:25pm	Concurrent	Tax Avoidance Schemes and the Corporate Veil After the Panama Papers <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. B. St. Michael Hylton, QC – Partner, Hylton Powell
	Concurrent	An Overview of the OHADAC Project: The Harmonization of Business-related Law in the Caribbean <i>Presenters:</i> Mrs. Catherine Sargenti – Vice-President of the Tribunal de Grande Instance (High Court) of Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe & President of ACP Legal and Dr. Jean Alain Penda – Legal Consultant and the OHADAC Project Manager (Guadeloupe)
	Concurrent	Rights of Indigenous Peoples <i>Presenter:</i> Dr. Arif Bulkan – Deputy Dean (Student Matters), Faculty of Law, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine
1:25pm-2:25pm		LUNCH
2:25pm-3:25pm	Plenary	Arbitration: Is Court Litigation for Commercial Disputes an Endangered Species? <i>Presenter:</i> Ms. Angeline Welsh – Member, Matrix Chambers and Co-Chair, IBA Arb40 Subcommittee
3:30pm-4:30pm	Concurrent	Litigating Investment Treaties <i>Presenter:</i> Ms. Angeline Welsh – Member, Matrix Chambers and Co-Chair, IBA Arb40 Subcommittee
	Concurrent	Caribbean Public Policy as a Defence to Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Eamon Courtenay, S.C.– Senior Partner, Courtenay Coye LLP and Mr. Louis B. Kimmelman – Partner, Sidley Austin LLP
	Concurrent	OHADAC Arbitration <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Rodolfo Dávalos Fernández – Professor of Law and International Arbitrator, University Alma Mater of Havana and Honorary President of the Cuban Arbitration Court
7:30pm-9:00pm		COCKTAIL RECEPTION

Conference Schedule at a Glance | Day 2

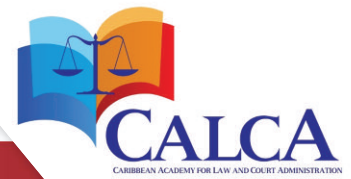


FRIDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2016

8:35am – 10:35am	Plenary	<p>Hard Law and Human Rights: Asymmetrical Contributions to Development? <i>Presenter:</i> The Rt. Hon. Lady Justice Arden – Lady Justice of Appeal in the Court of Appeal of England and Wales and Head of International Judicial Relations for England and Wales</p>
10:35am-10:55am		NETWORKING BREAK
10:55am-11:55am	Concurrent	<p>Redefining Marriage: – The US Supreme Court Decision and Related LGBTI Issues <i>Presenter:</i> Lord Anthony Gifford, QC – Senior Partner, Gifford Thompson & Bright</p>
	Concurrent	<p>Cross-border Insolvency <i>Presenter:</i> Ms. Hilary Reid – Partner, Myers Fletcher & Gordon</p>
	Concurrent	<p>Interaction Between Bench and Bar <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. B. St. Michael Hylton, QC – Partner, Hylton Powell</p>
11:55am-12:55pm	Concurrent	<p>Engendering Justice: Contemporary Caribbean Developments <i>Presenter:</i> Professor Rose-Marie Belle Antoine – Dean, Faculty of Law, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine</p>
	Concurrent	<p>Don't Throw Out the Baby with the Panama Papers <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Lance Hylton – Partner, Hylton & Hylton</p>
	Concurrent	<p>Deconstructing The Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Allan Wood, QC – Chairman, General Legal Council of Jamaica</p>
12:55pm-1:55pm		LUNCH
1:55pm-2:55pm	Concurrent	<p>OHADAC Principles on International Commercial Contracts: Promoting Economic Integration in the Caribbean <i>Presenter:</i> Dr. Angel Espiniella – Senior Lecturer of Private International Law, University of Oviedo (Spain)</p>
	Concurrent	<p>The Cariforum/EU Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA): Opportunities for Legal Services and Implications of Brexit <i>Presenter:</i> Dr. Kusha Haraksingh – Consultant in the Office of the Vice Chancellery, University of the West Indies & Chairman and Commissioner of the CARICOM Competition Commission</p>
	Concurrent	<p>Dispute Resolution in Economic Integration Arrangements <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Louis B. Kimmelman – Partner and/or Dr. Jan Yves N. Remy – International Associate of the firm Sidley Austin LLP</p>
2:55 – 3:55pm	Plenary	<p>Financial Services: Legal Perspectives on Opportunities and Challenges of Economic Integration Including the Caribbean Banking Sector <i>Presenter:</i> Mrs. Pamela Coke-Hamilton – Executive Director, Caribbean Export Development Agency</p>

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Conference Schedule at a Glance | Day 3



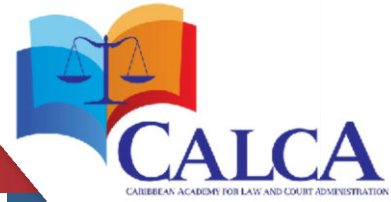
SATURDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2016

8:35am-10:35am	Plenary	The Honest Attorney: A Contradiction in Terms? <i>Presenter:</i> The Hon. Mr. Justice C. Dennis Morrison – President of the Court of Appeal of Jamaica
10:35am-10:55am		NETWORKING BREAK
10:55am-11:55am	Concurrent	Legal Aspects of Doing Business with Cuba <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Fernando Peláez-Pier – Partner, Hoet Pelaez Castillo & Duque
	Concurrent	Advocacy and Practice Before a Final Appellate Court <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Eamon Courtenay, SC – Senior Partner, Courtenay Coye LLP
	Concurrent	Access to Justice: Modern Civil Procedure Rules <i>Presenter:</i> Mr. Kevin Powell – Partner, Hylton Powell
11:55am-12:55pm	Concurrent	How to Secure Rights and Interests in Transnational Contracts <i>Presenter:</i> Professor Jan Dalhuisen – Emeritus Professor (recalled), The Dickson Poon School of Law, King’s College London
	Concurrent	Written Advocacy: Is the pen mightier than the spoken word? <i>Presenter:</i> The Hon. Mr. Justice Jacob Wit – Judge of the Caribbean Court of Justice
	Concurrent	Virtual Justice: Videoconferencing Technology, E-filing, and Other Electronic Platforms <i>Presenter:</i> The Rt. Hon. Sir Dennis Byron – President of the Caribbean Court of Justice
12:55pm-1:20pm		CLOSING CEREMONY

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More about the Conference



Here is some helpful information to help you to make a decision about attending the Conference. *It is intended to be used as a guide only.*

Air Travel

The closest airport is the Princess Juliana International Airport. The airport is 5 minutes from the Conference hotel. The airport offers free Wi-Fi, a number of bars and restaurants as well as an executive lounge.

22 airlines fly into St. Maarten including:

- American Airlines • Caribbean Airlines • Copa • Delta
- Insel Air • LIAT • United Airlines

Where to Stay

The Conference hotel is the Sonesta Maho Beach Resort. It is an all-inclusive resort that overlooks Maho Beach. Rooms feature free wi-fi, mini-fridges, flat screens and a private balcony. There are 5 restaurants and 4 bars to choose from. There is also a spa and a casino.

The Sonesta Maho Beach Resort has offered excellent rates for CALCA delegates, including those for double and triple occupancy, which are shown below. Our contact person is **Ms. Carla Melo**. Email her at **cmelo@sonestastmaarten.com** or book directly at **www.sonesta.com** with the group code: CALCA.

Room Category	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy	Triple Occupancy
Superior	\$200.00	\$135.00	\$130.00
Garden View	\$220.00	\$145.00	\$140.00
Pool Ocean View	\$225.00	\$155.00	\$145.00
Premier Island View	\$225.00	\$160.00	\$150.00
Premier Pool Ocean View	\$225.00	\$165.00	\$155.00

Ocean Point rates:

Room Category	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy
Junior Suite KING	\$395.00	\$220.00
Deluxe Junior Suite KING	\$405.00	\$225.00
Swimout Junior Suite KING	\$485.00	\$270.00
Roof Top Butler Suite	\$540.00	\$300.00
Sunset Butler Suite	\$585.00	\$325.00
Sunset Swimout Butler Suite	\$630.00	\$350.00

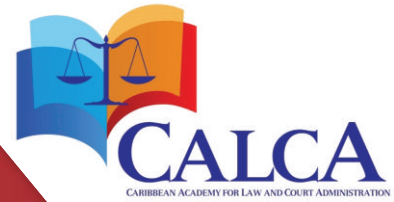
SPECIAL OFFERS FOR JAMAICAN ATTENDEES

Caribbean Airlines has offered a special pricing on BW457 on 26th October, 2016. The flight departs Kingston @ 2:00 pm and arrives in St. Maarten @ 5:15 pm. The fare is US\$283.49 per person (inclusive of taxes). In addition, to facilitate return to Jamaica for a number of Conference attendees, a charter is being arranged for 7:00pm on 29th October, flying directly from St. Maarten to Jamaica at a cost of US\$410 (inclusive of all taxes).

Email : **calcaconferencedirector@generallegalcouncil.org** for more information about these offers.



More about the Conference



Visas

There is a visa waiver for persons attending the CALCA Conference. The Conference Secretariat will inform authorities in St. Maarten of the names of all conference attendees to facilitate entry into St. Maarten. However, if you have a specific query before travel, please contact the Conference Secretariat at info@calca-ccj.org

Sponsorship and Booth Packages

The Conference offers an excellent opportunity for brand exposure for your firm, organization or company. There are a number of sponsorship and booth packages available to suit your objectives and budget. Please direct any enquiries to **Mr. Michael Hylton** at calcaconferencedirector@generallegalcouncil.org and copy to **Ms. Venessa McLean** at clpddirector@generallegalcouncil.org

Currency

The official currency of St. Maarten is the Netherlands Antilles florin with an exchange rate of 1.77 to US\$1.00. Many of the hotels, restaurants and retail shops accept US Dollars.

Dress

Most people will wear business suits for the duration of the Conference, but feel free to be more casual on Saturday. Please bear in mind that the room may be cool. There is also an evening cocktail reception on 27 October where semi-formal dress will be required.

Language

The official language of St. Maarten is Dutch but English is spoken widely. Please note, the official language of the conference is English. Where sessions are delivered in a language other than English, there will be interpretation into English.

Accreditation

Certificates of Participation will be available on request from the Conference Secretariat.

Accreditation is being sought for all papers, with a view to Jamaican attorneys being able to acquire at least a full year's CLPD credits.

Registration

We want to make registration as easy as possible for you. You may register online at www.calca-ccj.org where you can select plenary and choose which of the concurrent sessions you are attending. Registration fees are payable online and by wire transfer.

Registration fees are as follows:

Early Bird Registration: US\$495
Early Bird Group Rate: US\$425
until August 31

Regular Registration: US\$595
Regular Group Rate: US\$525
September 1 - September 30

Late Registration: US\$795
From October 1

Please note that registration fees do not include accommodation.

