

ICLR 2019 Delegate handbook



International
Conference of
Legal Regulators

Thank you for taking part in this year's International Conference of Legal Regulators. As this year's hosts, we very much look forward to welcoming you to Edinburgh in September.

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The conference will be run over two days. On each day, there are two plenary sessions – one in the morning and one in the afternoon of each day. For the rest of this year's ICLR, attendees choose to attend one of two workshop sessions running concurrently. The full conference programme can be [seen here](#).

Conference and Social programme

Wednesday 4 September

- 15:00 Optional walking tour of Edinburgh Old Town
- 18:00 Welcome drinks reception

Thursday 5 September

- 08:15 Conference registration
- 09:00 Conference starts
- 17:20 Close of day one
- 19:00 Conference dinner

Friday 6 September

- 08:45 Conference registration
- 09:25 Conference starts
- 17:00 Close of day two
- 17:10 Farewell drinks reception

Conference and dinner venue

Waldorf Astoria Edinburgh - The Caledonian

Princes Street
Edinburgh
EH1 2AB

Phone number: 0044 (0) 131 222 8888

Built in 1903, Waldorf Astoria Edinburgh - the Caledonian is a historic icon in the heart of Edinburgh's Princes Street and offers the largest number of rooms with views of Edinburgh Castle in the city.

A perfect base to explore Scotland's capital, Waldorf Astoria Edinburgh - the Caledonian is within walking distance of Edinburgh Castle, the Royal Mile, Edinburgh International Conference Center and the Old Town, a UNESCO World

Heritage Site. Our hotel also offers convenient access to Edinburgh's world famous events, including the Edinburgh International Festival, Fringe and Military Tattoo.

The hotel also offers:

- A fine-dining restaurant, The Pompadour
- A casual and welcoming restaurant, Grazing by Mark Greenaway
- Peacock Alley and the Caley Bar
- The only Guerlain Spa in the UK, with relaxing French-style beauty treatments
- 12 metre pool, sauna, steam room and fitness centre
- On-site car park
- Elegant ballroom, eight meeting and banquet spaces with natural daylight and air-conditioning



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Welcome drinks reception venue, 6pm Wednesday 4 September

Parliament Hall

Parliament House
11 Parliament Square,
Edinburgh EH1 1RQ

Phone number: 0044 (0) 131 225 2595

Parliament House was home to the pre-Union Parliament of Scotland, and now houses the Supreme Courts of Scotland. It is located in the Old Town, just off the Royal Mile, beside St Giles Cathedral.

The oldest part of Parliament House is Parliament Hall, which the Town Council of Edinburgh had built as a permanent home for the Parliament of Scotland, and as such is the oldest extant purpose-built parliamentary building in the British Isles. It was completed in 1639 and was designed by James Murray.

After the Act of Union 1707, the Parliament of Scotland was adjourned, and the building ceased to be used for its original function. The Hall was used for the sitting of courts, but in recent times has been subject to restoration work and now remains open as a meeting place for lawyers.

Walking tour, Mercat Cross, High Street, 3pm & 3.15pm, Wednesday 4 September

There is an optional walking tour taking place on Wednesday 4 September. There are 2 groups, one leaving at 15:00 and one at 15:15, depending on the number of delegates wanting to take part.

The tour includes a 30 minute tour of the closes and wynds of Old Town, sharing stories of the grim past of Edinburgh, followed by a 30 minute visit to the Underground Vaults for tales of the nefarious uses of the South Bridge, and to hear about the people who inhabited the dark, damp chambers. If you are interested in attending, please email kirstyorr@lawscot.org.uk no later than **Friday 23 August**.

The tour starts at the Mercat Cross on the High St. The Mercat Cross is an eight-sided stone monument with a white-painted unicorn on top and sits next to St Giles' Cathedral.

ICLR Dinner, Waldorf Astoria, Princes Street, 7pm Thursday 5 Sept

Held in the conference venue hotel, dinner will be served in the Castle suite, with a panoramic view of Edinburgh Castle for attendees to enjoy. Mix with peers from across the world whilst enjoying a three-course meal and entertaining after dinner speech from Past President of Law Society of Scotland, Austin Lafferty.



Travel

To and from Edinburgh airport

There is a choice of transport links from the airport to the city centre.

By taxi

There are two taxi options when you get to Edinburgh Airport:

- You can pre-book Edinburgh Airport's official private hire service by calling 0044 (0) 844 448 8576. The private hire rank is located on the ground floor of the multi-storey car park.
- You can pick up a black cab at the rank on the ground floor of the multi-storey car park.

By bus

The Airlink bus service provides a fast and frequent service into the City Centre. The service operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with buses every 10 minutes during the day. Journey time to City Centre is approximately 30 minutes. Other stops include Murrayfield Stadium and Edinburgh Zoo.

By tram

Edinburgh Trams run services from every 7 minutes to the City Centre with a journey time of just 30 minutes. Services to the City Centre operate between 06:18 – 22:48 hours. In addition to the City Centre, trams service the financial district, Murrayfield Stadium and railway stations at Edinburgh Gateway, Edinburgh Park, Haymarket and St Andrew Square (for Waverley).

By car

The airport is about eight miles (12km) west of the city centre and the journey (via the A8 Glasgow Road) takes about 25 minutes in light traffic. A number of car hire companies operate from the airport.

To and from Waverley train station

Princes Street
Edinburgh, EH1 1BB

Taxi ranks are located on Waverley Bridge and also Market Street. Market Street can be accessed step free via available lifts.

The conference venue is approximately 15 minutes by foot, at the opposite end of Princes Street.

To and from Haymarket train station

Haymarket terrace
Edinburgh, EH12 5EY

Taxi ranks are situated outside the station and trams and buses stop outside the main entrance to the station. The conference venue is approximately 10 minutes by foot.

Taxis

There are several taxi ranks across the city. If you need to book a taxi you can ask the hotel to do so or you can call 0044 (0)131 228 1211.



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Accommodation

Accommodation is available at the Waldorf Astoria and at the Hampton by Hilton on a bed and breakfast basis and on a first come first served basis.

Waldorf Astoria - the Caledonian

Limited accommodation is available on Wednesday 04 and Thursday 05 September at the following special rate:

- £280 per night based on single occupancy
- £300 per night based on double occupancy

[Click here](#) to reserve your accommodation at the Waldorf Astoria by **Wednesday 31 July**.

Hampton by Hilton West End

Limited accommodation is available on Wednesday 04 and Thursday 05 September at the following special rates:

- £140 per night based on single occupancy
- £150 per night based on double occupancy

[Click here](#) to reserve your accommodation at the Hampton by Hilton by **Sunday 21 July**.

Things to do in Edinburgh

Scotland's capital lives and breathes history so there are lots of places to explore and things to do. You might start by exploring historic castles and palaces and roaming ancient streets and wynds. Visit Edinburgh Castle, Holyrood Palace or climb the extinct volcano Arthur's Seat.

You're never far from a cultural attraction in Edinburgh. Perhaps you'll scale a monument dedicated to a wordsmith, admire traditional and contemporary artworks in galleries, see treasured wonders in museums or explore the city's many royal connections? You might even want to hop on a sightseeing bus to see them all!

There's always time for a bit of retail therapy on Princes Street or George Street. And the evenings can be filled with night-time tours, musical or theatre performances, or finding your favourite dram in a charming whisky pub.

You can find out more and view an interactive map on the Visit Scotland website <https://www.visitscotland.com/destinations-maps/edinburgh/>

Conference promotion

Please help to promote ICLR amongst your own constituencies, by sharing LinkedIn posts, passing on the link to the conference website to colleagues and encouraging anyone you think may have an interest in attending: www.lawscot.org.uk/iclr

If you are able to promote the conference on your own social media channels, please include our twitter handle: @LawscotCPD.

On Facebook and LinkedIn you can also mark yourself as 'going' to the event:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/305845083694650/>
<https://www.linkedin.com/events/6551794110288707585/>



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