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## *The Russell Long Chair and CCLS Newsletter*

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### *LL.M. Program at LSU Law*

The **Master of Laws (LL.M.) Program** is now accepting applications for the 2010-2011 academic year. The LSU Law Center's distinctive curriculum, with fully-developed Civil and Common Law programs, provides a unique and intense legal education that gives our graduates qualifications not developed by other American law schools.

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### *Civil Law Workshop, Saúl Litvinoff Series*

The Civil Law Workshop, **Saúl Litvinoff Series**, held its fourth session on October 19. **Professor Xiangshun Ding**, School of Law, Renmin University (China) presented *The Adoption of the American Legal Education Model in East Asia*. [See the video of the presentation](#) (press CTRL when clicking on the link).

Forthcoming sessions include:

- Monday, November 9, 2009, at 4:30 p.m.  
**Professor Jörg Fedtke**, Tulane University Law School  
*Time to Move On - Challenging a Tired Division - Common Law Methods in a Civil Law System*
- Thursday, November 19, 2009, at 4:00 p.m.  
**Dr. Nono Makarim**, Of Counsel, Makarim & Taira S., Jakarta  
*Freedom of the Press in Indonesia, a Case of Collective Misinterpretation*

Both sessions take place in the Tucker Room of the LSU Law Center. Refreshments will be served.

### *Conference Notes*

- On October 8, **Professor Olivier Moréteau** gave a public lecture on the Digest of 1808, at the Magnolia Mound Plantation, as part of the *Lectures at the Mound Series*. His presentation was entitled *The Digest of 1808, a Milestone in Louisiana History, a Cornerstone in Louisiana*.
- On October 9, **Professor Olivier Moréteau** discussed the commemoration of the Bicentennial of the Digest of 1808, "What have we learned in a year?", presenting related projects of the Center of

Civil Law Studies, at the opening of the Judge Allen M. Babineaux International Civil Law Symposium, on invitation by the Francophone Section of the Lafayette Bar Association.

### *Visiting Scholar*

**Dr. Nono Makarim** (S.H. Law Faculty, University of Indonesia, 1973; LL.M. and S.J.D. Harvard University Law School; Fellow Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 1974), Of Counsel, Makarim & Taira S., Jakarta, Indonesia, visits at the CCLS from September to November 2009, to evaluate the teaching of legal method in order to assist the Indonesian Judicial Commission in the design and administration of law exams to assess candidates for the position of Justice at the Indonesian Supreme Court.

### *Journal of Civil Law Studies – Call for Papers*

The JCLS will publish Volume 2 in November 2009; Volume 1 (December 2008) has been read online in 68 countries on all continents. The JCLS invites the submission of articles for its Volume 3, to appear in the summer of 2010. The deadline for submissions is **April 1, 2010**. Please visit [www.law.lsu.edu/jcls](http://www.law.lsu.edu/jcls) or email [jcls@law.lsu.edu](mailto:jcls@law.lsu.edu)

### *International Law Society at LSU*

The **International Law Society** (ILS) held its **First International Law Week** September 14 - 18. All events, including a presentation of international law opportunities at LSU, practice of international law, and human right and peace, were well attended by members of the ILS, LSU Faculty, and the student body at large.

The opening event took place on Monday, September 14, when **John Bihm** and other ILS officers addressed the different options when focusing on International law. LSU Professors **William Corbett**, **Robert Lancaster**, **Lee Ann Lockridge**, and **Scott Sullivan** described the international dimension of their teaching and Professor **Olivier Moréteau** presented the study abroad opportunities offered at LSU.

On Tuesday, Southern University Professor **Nadia Nedzel** presented *Practicing International Law*, and on Wednesday, LSU Political Science Professor **David Sobek** addressed *Human Rights and Peace: How Domestic Behavior Relates to Actions Abroad*. Many students interacted with both speakers, and interesting questions and comments were raised.

The events were completed on Thursday with a well attended **LLM & ILS Student-Faculty Mixer**. The LLM candidates were introduced to the faculty and students, and lively discussions extended throughout the evening.

The ILS received support from **Chancellor Jack Weiss**, the **Student Bar Association**, and the **CCLS**.

### *LL.M. Dialogues Series*

The **LL.M. Class of 2010** is interacting enthusiastically with the LSU Law Center community. Several events have been held early this Fall semester, and LLMs had the opportunity to meet and socialize with LSU Faculty members and other members of the student body. The newly created **LL.M. Dialogues Series** offers LLMs a monthly opportunity to listen to and interact with lawyers or scholars having an international or relevant experience.

- In August, **Mr. Ibrahim Abdouraoufi**, a native of Cameroun and doctoral student in Lyon, France, where he is a Teaching and Research Assistant, spoke about the harmonization of business law in Africa.

- In September, **Mr. Michel Séjean**, who worked as an Assistant Professor of Law in France and is writing a doctoral dissertation in Paris, spoke about his experience as a legal translator. **Mr. Séjean** was a Visiting Scholar at LSU for five months, working on two CCLS projects: translation into French of chapters of the Louisiana Civil Code and translation into French of the Principles of European Tort Law.
- In November, **Dr. Nono Makarim** will speak about his experience in improving the teaching and evaluation of legal method in Indonesia.

### ***New LSU Librarian***

**Heather Hamilton** is the new *Foreign, Comparative, and International Law Librarian* at the LSU Law Library. Ms. Hamilton received her J.D. from William & Mary School of Law and her MLS from Drexel University. The CCLS very much looks forward to working with Ms. Hamilton in the development of civil law and comparative law projects.