

Dear

This is an exciting and challenging period of change for the Law School as we consider the implications of the decision by the solicitors' profession, to dispense with the need for a qualifying law degree as the first step to qualification. No longer can we assume that the great majority of law students will wish to follow the same core curriculum and this gives us an opportunity for a fundamental reconsideration of our undergraduate teaching. Whereas we will continue to ensure that traditional core subjects are offered for intending barristers and our many students from abroad, we have an opportunity to liberalise our curriculum and enhance choice, whilst retaining the internationalist and contextual character of the Warwick degree.

Development is also afoot at postgraduate level with the inception of the new LLM in International Commercial Law and a suite of new modules to make the degree relevant to modern commercial practice. In research, we continue to produce work of the highest calibre with a number of recent books on topics as diverse as global legal responses to HIV, war trials and the law found in Shakespeare's plays.

Take a look at what has been happening at the School since your last newsletter and join us in celebrating the achievements of your fellow alumni.

Professor Roger Leng



SUMMER GRADUATION



Another year has drawn to a close and another cohort of students have left us to start their adventures in the world of work or further study.

The class of 2017 celebrated their success back in July and joined us for some fizz and nibbles. We hope you enjoyed our little extra touches. You smashed it and we couldn't be more proud.

Congratulations to all our graduates. We wish you all the very best for the future and hope you enjoyed your studies. You will always be part of the Law School family so please do keep in touch and let us know how you are getting on.



LAW SCHOOL NEWS

- Professor Christian Twigg-Flesner has been appointed as our [new chair of International Commercial Law](#)
- Professor Alan Norrie and Dr Henrique Carvalho delivered a [successful research workshop](#) on Critical Theory & Criminal Justice at the National Law University in Delhi in April.
- Professor Shaheen Ali has been busy presenting on:
 - 'Islamic Ethics – Some Historical Antecedents and Future Potential' at the International Conference on Islamic Ethics and Spiritual Care in Modern Contexts – University of Tubingen, Germany – July 2017
 - 'Teaching Islamic Law in the Western Academy' at the Conference on Academic Freedom and Universities – University of Warwick – June 2017.

LAW SCHOOL EVENTS

Recent Events:

- Law School Conference: 30 June
- Globe Workshop – Communicating Research Outside Academia: 3 July
- Critical Legal Conference - Catastrophe: 1 - 3 September

Upcoming Events:

- 12 - 13 September 2017: Workshop on Care, Work & Property – How is Care Labour Valued? *Nairobi, Kenya*
- 30 September 2017: LLM in IEL Class of 2007 - Alumni Reunion at Warwick, Radcliffe House

We are excited to see them back at Warwick and hope that others will follow their lead and come to see us along with their classmates in the future.

WELCOMES & FAREWELLS

We would like to wish a warm welcome to a number of new colleagues. Mary Griffin joined us as our new Writing Wrongs Officer in July this year along with Becca Kirk who has taken over as our Widening Participation Officer. Becca has taken over from Anil Awesti who has moved on to work for the Centre for Lifelong Learning here at Warwick.

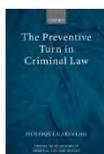
Tor Krever joined us back in April as Assistant Professor and Kelly Chennery is currently covering the role of Executive officer - we are lucky to have her with us until December. Finally Vanessa Munro (although already a member of the team) has been appointed as the new Head of School and will be taking over the reins from Roger in January 2018.

Whilst we are excited to welcome our newest team members, we sadly had to say goodbye to some too this year. Our Web Officer Helen Williams left us to explore the delights of Canada whilst our Receptionist Bethany Martindale went on to discover a whole new career.

Both Alice Panepinto and Kevin Hearty were snapped up by Queen's University Belfast whilst Tom Flynn moved on to a new position at Colchester only weeks ago. We also bid farewell to Fiona Smith who has taken up a new post in Leeds having played a massive part in the construction of our new LLM programme in International Commercial Law. And finally we sadly said goodbye to our former Head of School Professor Rebecca Probert who has moved on to a position at the University of Exeter having steered the Law School through many challenges over the last few years.

We would like to thank them all for their contribution to the School and wish them nothing but the best for the future. We miss you!

STAFF PUBLICATIONS



The Preventive Turn in Criminal Law
Henrique Carvalho
April 2017



Corporate Law and Financial Instability
Andreas Kokkinis
December 2017



Land Rights at the Time of Global Production: Leveraging Multi-Spatiality and 'Legal Chokeholds'
Tomaso Ferrando
Paper published in the [Business & Human Rights Journal](#) - July 2017



Shedding Light on EU Financial Regulators: A Sociological & Psychological Perspective
Giuliano Castellano
Paper published in the [Hastings International & Comparative Law Review](#) - 2017

OUR STAFF & STUDENTS OUT IN THE WORLD



Caring for Older Women in Kenya

Professor Ann Stewart has been awarded £50,000 from the Leverhulme Trust for her recent project, which seeks to assess the contribution of community-based 'woman to woman'

marriage practices in Kenya to the provision of care, particularly for the elderly, in light of a lack of sufficient social securities provided by the State. The project asks a number of questions about how these practices are changing the socioeconomic and political circumstances of contemporary Kenya. [Find out more!](#)

Upcoming Workshop: [Care, Work & Poverty](#); 12-13 September 2017; BIEA Nairobi, Kenya

Warwick Law Student published!

During a placement last summer in California for the Death Penalty Internship Programme, third year Warwick Law undergraduate, Natasha Darlington, penned an article analysing the consequences of a real Ohio case whereby a federal judge ruled the current State-prescribed procedure of lethal injection as unconstitutional.

The article, titled '[Federal Judge rejects Ohio's Lethal Injection Procedure: An Ongoing Constitutional Question](#)', was consequently published by the prestigious University of Pennsylvania Undergraduate Law Journal. [Find out more!](#)



Protecting Refugees in the Middle East

[Dr Dallal Stevens](#) has been awarded a Leverhulme Research Fellowship of just over £49,000 for her year-long project starting in October this year. The project calls for new thinking on the crucial issue of access to refugee protection in the Middle East. It argues that existing law and policies are failing refugees and that an innovative, multi-dimensional analysis is now needed. The study will provide a roadmap for the future at this critical juncture in the international and local refugee regime. [Find out more!](#)



All things Brexit!

Professor Fiona Smith was recently invited to speak about BREXIT and Trade to [East Lancashire Chamber of Commerce](#) at their International Trade Club breakfast meeting. She also acted as Special Adviser to the House of Lords' inquiry into BREXIT and Agriculture between January and May this year. The [report](#) came out on the 3rd May and received a great deal of press

coverage in the Times, Guardian, Financial Times, and on the BBC's Farming Today programme.



WHERE ARE YOU NOW?



I now work as a family solicitor based in the Hale office of Stowe Family Law, the country's largest, specialist family law firm. I specialise in all family law matters, including divorce and financial settlements and cohabitation. I have particular experience and specialism in cases involving children including where a child should live following the breakdown of a relationship, parental child abduction and relocation.

Following my degree, I undertook my LPC at Chester College of Law. After a year of study, I commenced my training contract with a Manchester city-based firm, Rowlands Field Cunningham. During my training contract I gained a lot of valuable experience in family law. Upon qualification I joined a family law firm in Wilmslow before securing my position at Stowe Family Law when I was just over 5 years qualified.

I have fond memories of the amazing fun I had with the great friends I made at Warwick.

Katie Dillon, BA Law and Business Studies, 2005-2009

I am founder of [Thirdway Alliance Kenya](#), (initially founded as a political movement towards alternative & transformative leadership in Kenya, but now a fully registered Political Party). I believe that the African continent is endowed with abundant opportunities that could accelerate prosperity and development, which is being undermined by a frail and feckless leadership that has failed to optimally exploit Africa's abundant potential. I was the Thirdway Alliance Kenya [Presidential candidate](#) in the 2017 Elections striving to re-write the story of Kenya, at least for future generations. I believe that past mistakes, especially from bad leadership, can only be corrected by a generation that desire to have a better country, and ultimately a much-desired Nation state. A new narrative must be written; one that must bring us back our country.

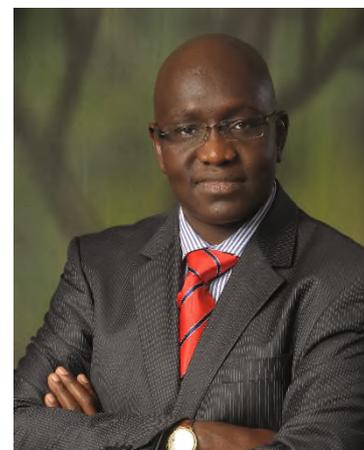
Former Roles:

UNDP'S Chief Technical & Senior Constitutional Advisor to the Liberian Constitution Review Committee (CRC); Director of the Committee of Experts that wrote Kenya's 2010 Constitution; A Commissioner for Oaths & Notary Public; Founder & Team Leader at [EA Law Consulting](#); Commissioner & member of the High Level Independent Commission, the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia.

Teaching:

Lecturer in Constitutional & Administrative Law at the University of Warwick & the Kenya School of Law; Visiting Law Lecturer at the University of Nairobi, the East African School on Refugees & Humanitarian Affairs, and at Makerere University.

Ekuru Aukot, LLM in Law in Development, 1999-2000



Successes

We have also been informed of some of our other Alumni success stories:

- Former research student Joanne Coysh has published a book based on her PhD research called Human Rights Education and the Politics of Knowledge. [Take a look!](#)
- Amna Nazir (LLM in International Development Law & Human Rights, 2014/15), has been awarded funding from the AHRC through the Midlands3Cities Doctoral Training Partnership. The funding will aid her PhD research on '*Islam and the Death Penalty within International Human Rights Law*' at the University of Birmingham. Amna is also a visiting lecturer on their LLB Law programme.
- Akinsola Olanrewaju recently won the award for Professional Achievement Study in the UK Alumni Awards 2017 in Nigeria.
- Bukola Bolarinwa (LLM in International Economic Law, 2008/09), was awarded the Queen's Young Leaders Award for her work with [Haima Health Initiative](#) raising awareness and encouraging blood donation across Nigeria to help those living with Sickle Cell disease.
- Musa Abubakar (former PhD student) was appointed as Secretary of the Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in August this year.
- [Dr Awwad Saleh al-Awwad](#) (PhD in Commercial Law, 2000) has been appointed as Saudi Information Minister.

If you have published recently, been awarded a scholarship/prize, or got a new, exciting job and want to be mentioned in our next newsletter, [get in touch](#).

GET INVOLVED...

Register for benefits at www.warwickgrad.net

Interested in coming to talk to our students about your career? Willing to offer an internship or work experience with your company to our current cohort? Please get in touch with [Claire Leslie](#) to discuss possible options.

Make sure to tell your friends, family and colleagues about our courses here at Warwick:

[LLB and BA Undergraduate Programmes](#)

[LLM or Postgraduate Diploma Programmes](#)

[Research Degrees](#)

And don't forget to tell them about our **brand new** [LLM in International Commercial Law](#) – starting this October.

Our very best wishes, on behalf of the Law School,

Sara

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