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Dear LLM students,

I hope you are all well.

I just want to highlight two wonderful events for LLM students this week:

1. Alumni Careers Panel

At this event you will have to opportunity to hear from graduates of your LLM programmes. The speakers will discuss their career journey so far; their current role; the specific legal skills gained from the LLM programme and the challenges they face in adapting and acquiring new skills.

The panellists are:

- Elina Rage – Bank of England.
- Chris Tassis – European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).
- Iulia Nicolescu – Financial Conduct Authority (FCA).
- Mary Wanjohi – BDO UK, international network of public accounting, tax, consultating and business advisory firms.
- Faqir Asfundyar Yousaf – CTT Law, Solicitors.

This event will be held during your usual LA984 Research and Writing session, on Wednesday, 22nd November, 2-4 pm, LIB2.

2. Guest Speaker and drinks reception

We are delighted to host **Professor Sol Picciotto**, Emeritus Professor at Lancaster University and a Visiting Professor at the GLOBE Centre, Warwick law School, for his lecture on **The Sociology of Law in Corporate Capitalism: The Example of Software**

This event will be held on **Wednesday, 22 November 2023, 4.15pm** in **S.0.21**, Social Studies Building.

This talk will argue that the study of law in the economy should combine a sociological approach to the role of law and the practices of lawyering with a broad perspective from political economy of the development of corporate capitalism ([Miola and Picciotto 2022](#)). The approach is exemplified by tracing the legal construction of software,

which has become foundational for economic and social practices ([Picciotto 2023](#)). Software's emancipatory potential has become channelled to enable the social control of its users through a combination of proprietary protection, under both copyright and patents (despite fierce and continuing contestations), and standardised contractual licensing amounting to private legislation. In parallel, proprietary rights enabled the flood of low-cost finance that has powered the high-tech capital accumulation boom. This has been greatly boosted by international tax avoidance techniques, exploiting the indeterminacy of key concepts such corporate residence and the categorisation and source of income, which are particularly salient for intangible property.

Professor Picciotto will be joined by discussants, **Dr Jeremy Okonjo** and **Dr Lyla Latif**. The chair for the evening is **Professor Christian Twigg-Flesner**.

This event will be followed by a drinks reception.

About the Speaker

[Sol Picciotto](#) is Emeritus Professor at Lancaster University and a Visiting Professor at the GLOBE Centre, Warwick Law School. He is a Senior Adviser of the Tax Justice Network, coordinator of the BEPS Monitoring Group, and a member of the UN Tax Committee's subcommittee on dispute resolution. His research focuses on the taxation of transnational corporations with special reference to developing countries

[Jeremy Okonjo](#) is Assistant Professor at Warwick Law School. His research interests include international trade, finance, commercial and foreign investments law and regulation, technology, the digital economy, innovation law and policy, regulation, and climate finance law. [Lyla Latif](#) is Research Fellow at Warwick Law School and her research is on public finance, international business taxation, including taxation of digital services, and redistribution. [Christian Twigg-Flesner](#) is Professor of International Commercial Law at Warwick Law School. His research includes a focus on international commercial law in a digital economy.

Best wishes,

Kathryn