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Topics Discussed At Conference 1988 – 2003 (By Conference)

- **November 1988 – Wiesbaden**
 1. Take-overs of private companies – warranties and indemnities
 2. Trade mark piracy and protection
 3. Employment law – transfer and termination of employment on take-overs

- **April 1989 – Cambridge**
 1. Exclusive distribution contracts
 2. Freedom of exercise of professions
 3. Judicial review – the European dimension

- **October 1989 – Freiburg**
 1. Kidnapping of children and other cross-border problems affecting children
 2. Private law aspects of environmental damage
 3. Disaster litigation

- **May 1990 – London**
 1. Hostile take-overs
 2. Management buy-outs
 3. Regulatory mechanisms – statutory and self-regulation

- **November 1990 – Hamburg**
 1. Financing international transactions: documentary credits and performance bonds
 2. Arrest of vessels and maritime liens
 3. Legal union between East and West Germany
 4. The law relating to international sales of goods

- **April 1991 – Glasgow**
 1. Commercial property – taking security
 2. Arbitration
 3. Retention of title

- **November 1991 – Berlin**
 1. Recent Developments in the Organisation of the Legal Profession.
 2. Public Law Regulations of Environmental Standards.
 3. Real Property: Ownership and Charging of Land in the New German States.

- **May 1992 – Cardiff**
 1. Duties and Responsibilities of Directors.
 2. Accounting Standards – Statutory Implementation of Accounting Requirements.
 3. Protection of minority shareholders

- **November 1992 – Würzburg**
 1. Liability for Services with Special Emphasis on the Professions.

2. The Liability of the Professions: The Medical Profession, Accountants and Financial Advisors, Architects and Surveyors.
 3. Recent Developments in the Law of Product Liability.
- **April 1993 – Exeter**
 1. The Legal Protection of Industrial Property Rights in Computer Software and Databases.
 2. The Law Relating to Cross-Border Investment and Mergers – Recent Development.
 3. The Implementation of EC-Directives, with Special Reference to the Marleasing and Frankovich Cases.
 - **November 1993 – Saarbrücken**
 1. Immigration and Asylum Law.
 2. Third Party Security in Financial Transactions.
 3. Aspects of Cross-Border Insolvency: Tracing Assets, Priorities and Set-Off.
 - **May 1994 – Dublin**
 1. Employment Law and Cross-Border Considerations.
 2. Comparative Civil Procedure – Litigating a Commercial Dispute.
 3. Practical Aspects of Cross-Border Inheritance.
 - **November 1994 – Dresden**
 1. Regulation and problems of new financial products
 2. Recent developments in and regulation of the insurance industry
 3. Legal limits of the freedom of the media
 - **May 1995 – York**
 1. Commercial property – the law of leases
 2. Corporate governance
 3. Comparative advertising
 - **September 1995 – Konstanz**
 1. Employment Issues Arising on Business Transfers.
 2. Public Procurement.
 3. Trade Mark Law: Recent Developments.
 - **April 1996 – Stratford**
 1. Liabilities and Duties of Banks to Private Customers.
 2. Constitutional Law: Majority Vote -v- Proportional Representation.
 3. Personal Liabilities of Directors.
 - **September 1996 – Lübeck**
 1. Public authorities: access to information
 2. Methods of capitalising companies
 3. Legal problems of the information age
 - **April 1997 – Richmond**
 1. Recent Developments in National and International Arbitration.
 2. The Duty of Care and the Softening of Privity.

3. Recent Developments in the Law Relating to the Environment.
- **October 1997 – Leipzig**
 1. Transfer Test in England and Germany (Test for Lawyers).
 2. Legal Problems of Electronic Signature.
 3. Legal Questions Arising from the European Monetary Union.
 4. The Function of the Judges in England and Germany.
 - **April 1998 – Chester**
 1. Central and regional government
 2. Hostile and friendly take-over bids
 3. National cartel law
 - **October 1998 – Nürnberg**
 1. The Enforcement of Human Rights.
 2. The Law of Negligence – Expansion in the Fields of Sports, Leisure and Outdoor Activities.
 3. Reforms of Civil Procedure.
 - **April 1999 – Salisbury**
 1. Challenging Jurisdiction: Anti-Suit Injunctions.
 2. Going Public.
 3. Legal Problems Arising out of the Millennium Bug.
 - **October 1999 – Bremen**
 1. Employment Law – Co-Determination and Consultation with Workers’ Representatives.
 2. Environmental Liability.
 3. The Financial Aspects of Divorce.
 - **May 2000 – Edinburgh**
 1. Competition law – developments
 2. Legal problems arising from e-commerce
 3. Criminal liability of companies
 - **October 2000 – Stuttgart**
 1. Fact-finding by judges
 2. Jurisdiction in intellectual property matters
 3. Student moot
 - **March 2001 – Oxford**
 1. Civil procedure: reforms and results
 2. Developments in insolvency law
 3. Money laundering
 - **October 2001 – Weimar**
 1. Life and Death and the Lawyer.
 2. Law and the Art Market.
 3. Shareholders versus Management.

- **May 2002 – The Lake District**
 1. Litigation Funding: Contingency Fee -v- Prozessfinanzierung.
 2. Pirated Products and Commercial Crime.
 3. Drafting International Contracts.

- **October 2002 – Trier**
 1. Legal Problems Concerning the Privatisation of Public Enterprises.
 2. Employment: Redundancy and Insolvency.
 3. The European Court of Justice: Individual Access and Development of Judicial Remedies.
 4. The European Company.

- **May 2003 – Canterbury**
 1. Sales Promotion Law.
 2. Corporate Governance and Shareholder Actions.
 3. Foundations, Trusts and Charities.

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Topics Discussed At Conference 1988 – 2003 (By Area of Law)

- **Commercial Law**

Exclusive distribution contracts (April 1989).
 International sale of goods (Nov. 1990).
 Retention of title (April 1991).
 Recent Developments in the Organisation of the Legal Profession (Nov. 1991).
 Comparative advertising (May 1995).
 Recent Developments in National and International Arbitration (April 1997).
 Law and the Art Market (Oct. 2001).
 Pirated Products and Commercial Crime (May 2002).
 Sales Promotion Law (May 2003).

- **Company Law**

Take-overs: indemnities and warranties (Nov 1988).
 Hostile take-overs (May 1990).
 Management buy-outs (May 1990).
 Duties and Responsibilities of Directors (May 1992).
 Protection of minority shareholders (May 1992).
 Corporate governance (May 1995).
 Personal Liabilities of Directors (April 1996).
 Methods of capitalising companies (Sep 1996).
 Hostile and friendly take-over bids (April 1998)
 Going Public (April 1999).
 Shareholders versus Management (Oct. 2001).
 The European Company (Oct. 2002).
 Corporate Governance and Shareholder Actions (May 2003).

- **Employment Law**

Transfer and termination of employment on take-overs (Nov. 1988).
 Employment Law and Cross-Border Considerations (May 1994).

Employment Issues Arising on Business Transfers (Sep. 1995).
Employment Law – Co-Determination and Consultation with Workers’
Representatives (Oct. 1999).
Employment: Redundancy and Insolvency (Oct. 2002).

- **Competition law**

Key aspects of national cartel law (April 1998).
Competition law – developments (May 2000).

- **EU Law**

The Implementation of EC-Directives, with Special Reference to the Marleasing and Frankovich Cases (April 1993).
Legal Questions Arising from the European Monetary Union (Oct. 1997).

- **Professional Liability**

Liability for Services with Special Emphasis on the Professions (Nov. 1992).
The Liability of the Professions: The Medical Profession, Accountants and Financial
Advisors, Architects and Surveyors (Nov. 1992).

- **Contract Law**

The Duty of Care and the Softening of Privity (April 1997).
Drafting International Contracts (May 2002).

- **Cyber law**

Legal Problems of Electronic Signature (Oct. 1997).
Legal Problems Arising out of the Millennium Bug (April 1999).
Legal problems arising out of e-commerce (May 2000).

- **Procedural Law**

Judicial review – the European dimension (April 1989).
Arbitration (April 1991).
Comparative Civil Procedure – Litigating a Commercial Dispute (May 1994).
Reforms of Civil Procedure (Oct. 1998).
Challenging Jurisdiction: Anti-Suit Injunctions (April 1999).
Civil procedure – reforms and results (March 2001).
The European Court of Justice: Individual Access and Development of Judicial
Remedies (Oct. 2002).

- **Judiciary/Legal Profession**

Freedom of exercise of professions (April 1989).
Transfer Test in England and Germany (Test for Lawyers) (Oct. 1997).
The Function of the Judges in England and Germany (Oct. 1997).
Fact-finding by judges (Oct. 2000).
Life and Death and the Lawyer (Oct. 2001).
Litigation Funding: Contingency Fee –v- Prozessfinanzierung (May 2002).

- **Environmental Law**

Private law aspects of environmental damage (Oct. 1989).
Public Law Regulations of Environmental Standards (Nov. 1991).
Recent Developments in the Law Relating to the Environment (April 1997).

Environmental Liability (Oct. 1999).

- **IP/Trademark Law**

Trade Mark piracy and protection (Nov. 1988).

The Legal Protection of Industrial Property Rights in Computer Software and Databases (April 1993).

Trade Mark Law: Recent Developments (Sep 1995).

Legal problems of the information age (Sep. 1996).

Jurisdiction in IP matters (Oct. 2000).

- **Media law/ Privacy**

Legal limits of the freedom of the media (Nov. 1994).

- **Property Law**

Real Property: Ownership and Charging of Land in the New German States (Nov. 1991).

Commercial leases – taking security (April 1991).

Commercial property – law of leases (May 1995).

- **Accounting, Insurance and Finance**

Regulatory Mechanisms – statutory and self-regulation (May 1990).

Financing international transactions – documentary credits and performance bonds (Nov. 1990).

Accounting Standards – Statutory Implementation of Accounting Requirements (May 1992).

The Law Relating to Cross-Border Investment and Mergers – Recent Development (April 1993).

Third Party Security in Financial Transactions (Nov. 1993).

Regulation of and problems in new financial products (Nov. 1994).

Recent developments in and regulation of the insurance industry (Nov. 1994).

Liabilities and Duties of Banks to Private Customers (April 1996).

- **Insolvency/Trusts etc**

Aspects of Cross-Border Insolvency: Tracing Assets, Priorities and Set-Off (Nov. 1993).

Foundations, Trusts and Charities (May. 2003).

- **Obligations – Tort, Product Liability and Negligence**

Disaster litigation (Oct. 1989).

Recent Developments in the Law of Product Liability (Nov. 1992).

The Law of Negligence – Expansion in the Fields of Sports, Leisure and Outdoor Activities (Oct. 1998).

- **Family Law/Succession**

Kidnapping of children and other cross-border problems affecting children (Oct. 1989).

Practical Aspects of Cross-Border Inheritance (May 1994).

The Financial Aspects of Divorce (Oct. 1999).

- **Public Law**

Legal union between East and West Germany (Nov. 1990).

Immigration and Asylum Law (Nov. 1993).

Public Procurement (Sep. 1995).

Constitutional Law: Majority Vote –v- Proportional Representation (April 1996).

Public authorities – access to information (Sep. 1996).

Central and regional government (April 1998).

The Enforcement of Human Rights (Oct. 1998).

Legal Problems Concerning the Privatisation of Public Enterprises (Oct. 2002).

- **Maritime law**

Arrest of vessels and maritime liens (Nov. 1990).

- **Criminal law**

Criminal liability of companies (May 2000).

Money laundering: warnings for lawyers (March 2001).

- **Insolvency law**

Developments in insolvency law (March 2001).