

World Bar Conference 2008

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| DUBLIN | Friday 27.06.08 National Gallery Drink reception. Welcome by Hugh Mohan SC Co –Chair ICAB |
| | Saturday 28.06.08 Business Session, Dublin Castle, Dublin |
| Session 1 10.00-11.30 10.00-10.05* 10.05-10.15 <i>'The law and Justice'</i> 10.15-11.30 | Welcome by chairman of Bar of Ireland Turlough O'Donnell, SC Opening address by President of Ireland, Mary McAleese Panel Discussion Chair Sir Brian Kerr Lord Chief Justice Panelists -Robert Fisk, Middle East Correspondent, Independent Newspapers UK -Archbishop of Dublin, Diarmuid Martin -Justice Kate O'Regan, Constitutional Court of South Africa |
| Coffee break | |
| Session 2 12.00-13.15 <i>'Lawyers role in the fight against Terror'</i> | Panel Discussion Chair Judge Adrian Hardiman Panelists Pierce O'Donnell, US Attorney Professor Conor Gearty, Director of Centre of Study of Human Rights, LSE Colm O'Conneide, Senior Lecturer in Laws, UCL |
| Lunch | |
| Session 3 14.30-17.00 <i>'The Future of the Independent Referral Bar'</i> | Session introduced by Hugh Mohan SC Chair Paul Gallagher SC, Attorney General of Ireland Key note speaker - John Cooke, Judge of the European Court of First Instance Panel Representatives from participating bars Debate Chair to summarise session |
| Evening 19.30 -23.00 | Gala Dinner at Mansion House. (Black tie) Roy Martin to welcome |

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| BELFAST | Sunday 29.06.08. Drinks reception, QUB. Welcome - chairman of Ms Noelle McGrenera QC Co-Chair ICAB Monday, 30.06.08 Business Session, Waterfront Hall, Belfast. |
| Session 1 9.00 – 10.45 <i>“Guantanamo Bay and Zimbabwe Human Rights in the front line...”</i> | Welcome by Chairman of General Council of the Bar of Northern Ireland John O’Hara QC Opening Address Dr Ian Paisley, First Minister of the Northern Ireland Assembly Chair Justice Ruth McColl, Judge of the New South Wales Court of Appeal Panel Discussion Senator George Mitchell Ms Beatrice Mtetwa, President of the Zimbabwe Law Society Shami Chakrabati CBE, Director of Liberty |
| Coffee Break | |
| Session 2 11.15 – 12.45 <i>“The European Convention of Human rights has it made a difference...”</i> | Chair John Murray, Chief Justice Panelists Michael O’Boyle, Registrar, European Court of Human Rights Barry Macdonald QC,SC, Chair of the Human Rights Committee of the Northern Ireland Bar Baroness Scotland of Asthal, PC, QC |
| Lunch | |
| Session 3 14.00-16.45 <i>“Importance of an independent referral bar in the protection of human rights’</i> | Introduction by Gregory Berry QC Vice Chairman of General Council of the Bar of Northern Ireland Chair Professor Monica McWilliams, Chief Commissioner, Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission Key note speaker Dame Nuala O’Loan OBE – former Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland Panel Representatives from participating bars Debate Chair to summarise session |
| Evening 19.30 -23.30 | Gala Dinner at Ulster Folk and Transport Museum.(Black tie) Joint Chairs of the conference to address |