

International Boundaries Research Unit

Maritime Boundary Delimitation

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- Mr John Brown, Law of the Sea Division, UK Hydrographic Office
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- Mr Chris Carleton, Law of the Sea Division, UK Hydrographic Office
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Introduction

Clearly-defined maritime boundaries are essential for good international relations and effective ocean management, yet few coastal states have agreed all their maritime boundaries with their neighbours. Part of the reason for this is that boundary delimitation requires a range of specialist legal and technical skills which are not always readily available to governments.

Combining lectures with practical exercises, IBRU's most popular workshop offers world class training in the principles and practice of maritime boundary delimitation.

The workshop is followed by a workshop on 23-24 July on the theme *Managing Transboundary Resources*, which will include discussion of the management of transboundary offshore oil and gas resources. A discounted rate is available for participants who attend both workshops (see page 4 for details).

Who should attend?

- Diplomats
- Legal advisers
- Researchers & consultants
- Energy officials
- Exploration and production managers
- Pipeline and cable planners
- EEZ contractors
- Fisheries managers
- Technical experts

Tutors



John Brown began his sea going career in 1974 and trained as a navigating officer. He worked as a surveyor in the offshore industry until 1993 when he joined the UK Hydrographic Office. Since joining the Law of the Sea Division he has obtained a Master of Arts degree in International Boundary Studies from King's College London. He advises several UK Government departments on Law of the Sea matters and has assisted with technical input to UK maritime zone legislation. Over the years he has worked with several foreign governments on delimitation and baseline issues, and has lectured on a range of academic and professional courses, including the prestigious IFLOS Summer Academy in Hamburg. He is a Fellow of the Royal Institute of Navigation.



Rodman Bundy holds a BA in history from Yale University and a JD from the Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.. Since 1984 he has been a partner in the Paris office of Eversheds LLP (which merged with Frere Cholmeley in 1998) specializing in public international law, boundary disputes, oil and gas law and international commercial and investment arbitration. He has acted as Counsel and Advocate for thirty years in numerous public international law matters and arbitrations, most recently on behalf of the Government of Singapore in sovereignty proceedings against Malaysia before the ICJ, the Government of Ukraine in the ICJ maritime delimitation case against Romania, and the Government of Sudan in the Abyei Arbitration. Mr. Bundy is also currently engaged in two further ICJ cases involving boundary disputes.



Chris Carleton spent the last ten years of a 30 year-career as a hydrographic surveyor in the Royal Navy specialising in the technical aspects of the law of the sea. In 1996 Chris joined the Hydrographic Office to head the newly-formed Law of the Sea Division. His Division provides technical interpretation of all matters relating to the determination and application of maritime zones, boundaries and on the law of the sea issues world-wide to all departments of the UK Government, and on a commercial basis to foreign Governments, law firms, academia and industry. He has taken part in many boundary negotiations, both bilateral and third party adjudication, and has done a considerable amount of work for the United Nations.



Charles Claypoole is a senior associate in Latham & Watkins' Public International Law Practice Group, based in London. He advises both sovereign States and private clients on a wide range of contentious and non-contentious public international law and related dispute resolution issues, including: land and maritime boundary disputes; the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea; State sovereignty over natural resources; the protection of international investments under bilateral and multilateral investment treaties; UN, EU and domestic trade sanctions regimes; and international humanitarian and human rights law. He has extensive experience in representing clients in proceedings before a variety of international judicial and arbitral bodies, including the International Court of Justice, the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal, ICSID, ICC, LCIA and *ad hoc* arbitral tribunals.



Alan Evans is a Senior Consultant within the UNCLOS Group at the National Oceanography Centre, Southampton (NOCS). He is a key team member working on all of the United Kingdom's UNCLOS Article 76 continental shelf submissions for UK mainland and overseas dependencies, which involves technical advice to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Department of Trade and Industry. Alan is also involved in the group's activities in providing Article 76 consultancy services to foreign nations, where he is involved in providing advice to foreign governments, generating desktop studies, survey planning, quality assurance and submission report preparation. Alan also lectures on the Marine Science Policy & Law MSc short course at the NOCS.



Martin Pratt joined the International Boundaries Research Unit in 1994 and is now the Unit's Director of Research. He has written extensively on land and maritime boundary issues around the world and has advised governments, commercial organisations and NGOs on a wide range of boundary and sovereignty disputes. He served as technical adviser to the government of Trinidad and Tobago in its maritime boundary arbitration with Barbados, and is co-author of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators handbook *How to Deal with Maritime Boundary Uncertainty in Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Areas*. Martin coordinates IBRU's training workshop programme and consultancy activities; he also manages IBRU's website, the Unit's GIS resources and the *int-boundaries* email list.

Programme

Monday 20 July	0900-0945	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The significance and value of maritime boundaries• The global state of play• Challenges in maritime boundary delimitation
	0945-1100	Definition of maritime space: baselines & limits I <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zones of maritime jurisdiction• The normal baseline• Low tide elevations
	1100-1130	<i>Refreshments</i>
	1130-1215	Definition of maritime space: baselines & limits II <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Straight and archipelagic baselines• Bays and river mouths• Defining and maintaining maritime limits
	1215-1300	Practical exercise <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working in teams, participants will establish appropriate baseline regimes in a variety of coastal settings
	1300-1400	<i>Lunch</i>
	1400-1515	Legal principles of maritime boundary delimitation I <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The 1958 Conventions on the law of the sea• The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea• Customary international law• Relevant treaty law
	1515-1545	<i>Refreshments</i>
	1545-1700	Legal principles of maritime boundary delimitation II <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The relevance of case law• Decisions by international courts and tribunals

Tuesday 21 July	0900-1030	Legal principles of maritime boundary delimitation III <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Factors affecting an equitable solution• The treatment of islands and low-tide elevations• The role of proportionality
	1030-1100	<i>Refreshments</i>
	1100-1300	Technical aspects of maritime delimitation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The role of the technical expert• Datums, coordinates and straight lines• Constructing equidistance lines and other potential boundary lines• The use of remotely-sensed imagery in delimitation
	1300-1400	<i>Lunch</i>
	1400-1700	Practical exercise <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working in teams, participants we seek to delimit an equitable and technically robust maritime boundary between two neighbouring states
	1900	Workshop dinner at Durham Castle

Wednesday 22 July	0900-1000	State practice in maritime boundary delimitation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Innovative approaches to delimitation• Maritime delimitation in the context of territorial disputes• Connection with the land boundary terminus• Tripoints with third states
	1000-1100	Options for resolving maritime boundary disputes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dispute resolution mechanisms under UNCLOS• Mediation and conciliation• Third-party adjudication
	1100-1130	<i>Refreshments</i>
	1130-1230	Continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Defining the outer continental shelf• The role of the United Nations Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf• Delimitation of the continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles
	1230-1300	Closing discussion & wrap-up
	1300	<i>Lunch</i>

What will it cost?

The cost of the workshop will be £1,495 per participant. Fees for UK-based participants are normally subject to Value Added Tax (VAT) of 15%.

A discounted rate of £2,495 is available to participants attending both this workshop and Managing Transboundary Resources (23-24 July; see separate flyer).

We regret that payment can only be accepted in £ sterling. However, we are able to accept payment by most major credit and debit cards.

Full payment **MUST** be received prior to the workshop to guarantee the booking.

In addition to tuition and all course materials, the fees cover the following:

- accommodation in a single en-suite room at Collingwood College for the nights of 19-21 July
- evening dinner on 19-21 July
- lunch and refreshment breaks on 20-22 July

Accommodation for additional nights can be arranged at cost, subject to availability.



Durham Castle - previously the chief residence of the Bishops of Durham, part of Durham's World Heritage Site and the venue for the IBRU workshop dinner.

How to book

Places are limited and early booking is highly recommended:

- 1 Contact Jane Hogg at IBRU to confirm availability of places.
- 2 Once confirmed, please complete an online booking form at www.durham.ac.uk/workshops/booking or request a hard copy from IBRU.
- 3 Acknowledgement of the provisional booking will be sent by email (or letter/fax) with information on how to pay.
- 4 If payment is not received by the deadline specified, the place will be released. The original booking will be transferred to a waiting list and the place only confirmed when payment is received, if a place is still available.

Other administrative information

Venue

Workshop accommodation and teaching will be based at Collingwood College, which is part of Durham University (approximately 20 minutes walk from the City centre).

Language

Teaching and workshop materials will be in English. We regret that we are unable to provide translation or interpreting services.

Cancellation

Cancellations must be received in writing not later than Friday 3 July 2009, and will be subject to a £50 cancellation fee, unless a substitute participant is offered. After this date the full registration fee will apply. Substitutions for registered participants may be made at any time, but we would appreciate prior notification.

Programme changes

IBRU reserves the right to modify the programme as may be necessary without notice to participants.

Travel to Durham

Full details of the venue, plus maps and travel information will be sent to all participants following registration.



Further information

If you have any questions about the workshop please contact:
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