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IBRU works to enhance the resources available for the peaceful resolution of problems associated with international boundaries on land and at sea, including their delimitation, demarcation and management



Welcome to **Borderlines** the newsletter of the International Boundaries Research Unit (IBRU).

In the 12 years since its foundation, IBRU has grown to be the foremost multidisciplinary centre for the study of boundary and territorial issues worldwide. The Unit provides a range of services in support of the boundary community, including:

Consultancy and Advisory Services

Training Workshops and International Conferences

Publications, including the highly regarded *Boundary and Security Bulletin* and two series of in-depth Briefings

Library and research facilities

Postgraduate teaching and supervision

Internet Resources, including a boundary news database and the int-boundaries e-mail list

In this first issue of **Borderlines**, we are pleased to present our **Calendar of Training Workshops** for 2001 (overleaf). Our workshops provide a unique opportunity for participants to gain practical skills and knowledge in many areas of boundary delimitation management and dispute resolution. Taught by first class tutors who are world leaders in their particular areas of expertise, participants benefit from intensive training while also enjoying the opportunity to relax in the surroundings of the charming historic city of Durham. IBRU also organises training workshops in London in collaboration with the Institute of Petroleum and international conferences and workshops abroad.

Borderlines is intended as a resource for everyone with an interest in international boundaries: researchers and practitioners, students and professionals. In addition to highlighting IBRU's activities, we are keen to include news and information from other sources — for example details of new publications, forthcoming conferences, research activities, interesting web sites, useful computer software, etc.

If you wish to submit information for inclusion in future editions of the newsletter, please contact us.

"Borders are scratched across the hearts of men By strangers with a calm, judicial pen And when the borders bleed we watch with dread The lines of ink along the map turn red"

Marya Mannes

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International Boundaries Research Unit (IBRU) 2001 Training Workshop Calendar

23 - 24 July 2001

The Use of Evidence in Boundary Dispute Resolution

Venue: University of Durham Business School Fee: £895 + VAT

The effective use of evidence is the key to success in boundary negotiations and third-party dispute settlement. Treaties, *travaux preparatoires*, diplomatic correspondence, administrative records, maps, charts, aerial photography, satellite, imagery survey reports, diaries and ethnographic studies are just some of the many sources of evidence that can have a critical bearing on the outcome of a dispute over territorial sovereignty or maritime jurisdiction. This workshop will provide participants with practical advice on how to assemble, assess and present evidence to ensure a favourable outcome for their country.

Who should attend:

Diplomats, Negotiators, Archivists, Legal counsel, Researchers, Technical advisers

25 - 26 July 2001

An Introduction to Technical Aspects of Maritime Boundary Delimitation

Venue: University of Durham Business School Fee: £895 + VAT

Maritime boundary delimitation involves a range of political, legal and technical skills. Some politicians and lawyers are happy to leave the technical aspects of the delimitation process to their technical experts. Yet without a basic understanding of charts, datums, co-ordinates and other geographical and technical issues, it is almost impossible to get a real sense of the issues and resources at stake. The purpose of this workshop is to provide non-technicians with a hands-on introduction to the concepts and tools involved in defining a maritime boundary from a technical perspective. No prior technical knowledge is required and scientific jargon will be kept to a minimum!

Who should attend:

Diplomats, Negotiators, Maritime affairs specialists, Lawyers, Security staff

Attend both of the above workshops for a special combined fee of £1,595 + VAT

12 - 13 September 2001

The Management of International Boundaries

Venue: University of Durham Business School Fee: £895 + VAT

With both people and goods becoming ever more mobile, the challenges facing boundary managers are becoming increasingly complex. On the one hand, the need to secure frontiers against unwanted immigration and cross-border crime has never been greater; on the other, many governments around the world are also striving to maximise the opportunity for desirable transboundary interactions. The question of how best to strike a balance between the apparently conflicting requirements of security and access forms the basis for this innovative two-day training workshop. Expert tutors in both the policy and practice of international boundary management will share their experience and provide practical advice on techniques and technologies for effective boundary control.

Who should attend:

National security advisors, Boundary commission members, Border guards, Police officers, Regional planners, Resource managers, Fisheries managers, Lawyers, Contractors

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5 - 6 November 2001

The Exploitation and Management of Offshore Transboundary Hydrocarbons

Venue: The Institute of Petroleum, London **Fee:** £900 + VAT (IP members); £1,100 + VAT(non members)

Many of the world's prospective offshore basins are located in areas where maritime jurisdiction is claimed by more than one country. Overlapping jurisdictional claims are rarely good news for the oil industry, but they do not necessarily spell disaster. This workshop will examine how governments and oil companies have approached the exploitation and management of transboundary hydrocarbon resources, with a particular emphasis on the purpose and function of joint development zones. The workshop will include an assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of different models of joint development, and practical advice on how to facilitate hydrocarbon production in geopolitically sensitive areas.

Who should attend:

Exploration managers, Legal counsel, Energy ministry officials, Negotiators, Foreign affairs officials, Fishery/environmental regulatory officials

10 - 12 December 2001

The Negotiation of International Boundaries

Venue: University of Durham Business School Fee: £1050 + VAT

Few things — if any — are more important to a State than its territory and sovereign rights. It is therefore vital for anyone involved in the negotiation of the boundaries of the State to be as well prepared as possible. This workshop, led by some of the world's most experienced boundary negotiators, is designed to equip participants with the knowledge and skills required to conclude a successful boundary agreement. The course will include practical instruction on building and preparing a negotiating team, negotiation strategy and tactics, and drafting an agreement. Day two of the workshop will take the form of a boundary negotiation exercise, giving participants an opportunity to practice their negotiating techniques under the guidance of expert tutors.

Who should attend: Negotiators, Legal counsel, Technical experts

TUTORS for these workshops will include:

David Anderson Contributor to International Maritime Boundaries Chris Carleton Head of the Law of the Sea Division, UK Hydrographic Office David Colson Partner, LeBoeuf, Lamb Greene & MacRae, Washington DC. John McHugo Partner, Trowers & Hamlins Solicitors, London William T Onorato Former Legal Adviser, Energy & Mining, The World Bank Thomas Tass International Centre for Migration Policy Development, Budapest Ian Townsend-Gault Centre for Asian Legal Studies, University of British Columbia

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

All fees exclude VAT at 17.5%, which will be added where applicable. Fees for events in Durham include en-suite accommodation and all meals.

IBRU reserves the right to alter dates and other details without further notice. Updated information will be available through our web site at www-ibru.dur.ac.uk

Places are strictly limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

For further information, or to pre-register your interest, please contact Michelle Speak or Julia Oliver at IBRU

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Publications

Boundary and Security Bulletin

Now into Volume 9 and for the first time will include an Index to articles and agreements for the entire volume in issue 4.

NEW! Boundary and Territory Briefings

War or Peace on the Danube: The Evolution of the Croatia-Serbia Boundary

Mladen Klemenčić and Clive Schofield

The Croatia-Serbia border was the scene of some of the most intense fighting that accompanied the disintegration of communist Yugoslavia in 1991. This Briefing provides the geographical and historical background to this contested borderland, assesses the success of the reintegration process and outlines the prospects for the emergence of a borderlands identity in the region.



Geographical Information in Delineation, Demarcation and Management of International Land Boundaries

Ron Adler

Positioning and mapping techniques have advanced greatly in recent years, particularly positioning by global positioning systems (GPS) and geographical information systems (GIS) tools. This Briefing provides an overview of the state-of-the-art of boundary making, presents a model for the incorporation of new technologies into boundary making and reviews their effectiveness and accuracy.

The International Boundaries of East Timor

Neil Deeley

This timely and topical study provides an historical background to the boundaries with a detailed chronology of events that have affected them. The boundaries are described and analysed. Consideration is given to current issues and the disputes that are likely to arise over the land and maritime borders as East Timor gradually emerges from its violent inception as a state independent of Indonesia.

Available as individual issues @ $\pounds 28/\pounds 15$ (institutions/individual academics) or through subscription to Volume 3 (8 issues) @ $\pounds 195/\pounds 98$.

Full details at the IBRU website or contact Rebecca Clarke on +44 (0) 191 374 7701 or rebecca.clarke@durham.ac.uk to place an order

A LAST WORD...

The **int-boundaries** e-mail list celebrated its fifth birthday in October 2000.With a current membership of around 400 from 51 countries and to date an exchange of just over 1,100 messages, it is a leading forum for boundary related discussion. Why not join? Just send an e-mail message to: **jiscmail@jiscmail.ac.uk** with the following command line: **join int-boundaries your_first_name(s) your_last_name** (substituting your own first and last names as appropriate) as the only text of the message. For help, contact m.a.pratt@durham.ac.uk or see the list's website at **www.jiscmail.ac.uk/lists/int-boundaries.html**

Web Watch

Other boundary research centres:

Centre for International Borders Research, Queens University, Belfast www.qub.aac.uk/ss/ssp/cibr

> Centre for Transboundary Cooperation, Tartu, Estonia www.lake-peipus.net

Danish Institute of Border Region Studies www.ifg.dk

Geopolitics & International Boundaries Research Centre (GRC) SOAS, University of London www.soas.ac.uk/centres/GRC

> Nijmegen Centre for Border Research www.kun.nl/ncbr

Training à la Carte

In December 2000, IBRU ran a fourtraining workshop day Washington DC exclusively for the National Imagery & Mapping Agency (NIMA). Focusing on 'International Boundaries: Principles, Problems and Solutions', the course provided an overview of the evolution and current status of international boundaries on land and at sea. examined sources of boundaryrelated stress and discussed the use of geographic information in relation to international boundary management and dispute resolution. Lectures were supplemented with practical exercises and round-table discussion. Thirty-five NIMA staff benefited from the programme.

IBRU can provide a wide range of customised training programmes to meet any need. In addition to our own staff, IBRU can draw on its extensive network of world-class experts to offer the highest level of training. All teaching materials and full administrative support are provided. For further information on how IBRU can help your organisation, please contact Michelle Speak, External Relations Officer.