



Working Commission on Law & Dispute Resolution (W113)

Call for Law Papers

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## Working Commission on Law & Dispute Resolution *in property, construction & the built environment*

### Legal Research Symposium

The CIB's Working Commission on Law & Dispute Resolution (W113) is pleased to invite colleagues to participate in its legal research symposium, to be held in Manchester, UK on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September 2011, as part of the RICS COBRA 2011 Research Conference.

### COBRA 2011

The symposium builds on the growing success of the law streams at the most recent COBRA conferences in London, UK (2006), Atlanta, USA (2007), Dublin, Ireland (2008), Cape Town, South Africa (2009) and Paris, France (2010). The RICS and W113 have now entered into an ongoing partnership for the hosting of future W113 symposia during the annual COBRA conferences.

The legal research symposium is already a regular feature at COBRA conferences, typically contributing around one third of all papers presented each year.

COBRA 2011 will be hosted by the University of Salford, at its state of the art teaching and conference venue, the Mary Seacole Building. The conference will also feature a gala dinner at Manchester United's Old Trafford stadium on the evening of 12<sup>th</sup> September.



*Manchester city centre*

The legal research symposium is being organised in association with the University of Salford and with the *International Journal of Law in the Built Environment*, published by Emerald Group Publishing. The Emerald Group is also sponsoring an award for the best paper presented at the symposium.

The symposium will address a broad range of legal topics which impact upon all aspects of the design, management and use of the built environment. The interdisciplinary nature of COBRA conferences ensures that delegates have the opportunity to interact with other legal scholars as well as with delegates from the many other disciplines affecting the built environment.



*Manchester United's Old Trafford stadium: venue for the conference gala dinner*

### Call for Papers

Contributions are invited for the 2011 symposium in Manchester. These will take the form of scholarly written papers for presentation at the symposium by their authors. All contributions will be subject to prior peer-review and will also be published in the formal proceedings of the COBRA 2011 conference.

Contributions should address legal topics affecting the built environment, or the work or education of chartered surveyors. However, the scope of the symposium is deliberately wide and will accommodate the maximum possible range of subject areas and scholastic styles.

Papers may therefore adopt a black-letter approach or any other recognised form of legal scholarship. Theoretical, empirical, or socio-legal contributions are welcome as well as comparative studies of the law or practice in two or more jurisdictions. Papers may also address aspects of legal education or professional practice within a surveying or built environment context. It is expected that all papers will be accommodated within one or more of the following themes:

- Property Law

- Construction Law
- Environmental Law
- Housing Law
- Planning Law
- Building Regulation & Control
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Professional Liability & Ethics
- Legal Education in Property & Construction
- International & Comparative Law
- Postgraduate Student Stream

### Submission of Abstracts

Those wishing to contribute to the symposium are first invited to submit an abstract of their paper. Abstracts should not exceed 250 words and should summarise the purpose, content and conclusions of the paper. They should also identify the paper's title and include between 3 and 6 keywords for indexing purposes.

***Abstracts should be submitted online by following the link on the symposium website. When submitting your abstract please ensure that you identify one of the above 10 law themes from the drop-down list provided. The deadline for receipt of abstracts is: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2011.***

Authors will receive confirmation of acceptance of their abstract within a maximum of 2 weeks of submission.

### Submission of Final Papers

Subject to prior approval of their abstract, authors are invited to submit their final papers for peer-review and subsequent inclusion in the symposium. *The deadline for submission of final papers is: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011.*

Papers should generally be between 4,000 and 7,500 words in length but further details of the precise technical requirements will be circulated via the BEL-NET email list ([www.bel-net.org](http://www.bel-net.org)) once these are published by the COBRA conference organisers.

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### Law Delegates' Pre-Conference Meeting

There will be an opportunity to meet all the other law delegates at a pre-conference law meeting, to be held immediately before the start of the formal conference proceedings. Further details will be circulated nearer the time but this will take place on the afternoon of Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2011.

### Key Dates

- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2011 – Abstract deadline
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011 – Full paper deadline

### Further Information

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