

Training Workshop Programme 2024

Maritime Boundary Delimitation

11 – 13 September 2024, Durham, UK



Develop the skills needed to achieve an equitable division of maritime space and clearly defined maritime boundaries through practical exercises and theoretical discussion



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, discussion and practical exercises, IBRU's most popular workshop helps participants develop the skills needed to achieve an equitable division of maritime space and clearly defined maritime boundaries.

Who should attend?

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

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What will it cost?

The cost of the workshop is **£2,625** per participant. Fees include 3 nights of accommodation at the Raddison Blu Hotel in Durham which is also the venue for the workshop.

Payment can only be accepted in GBP (£) sterling. We are able to accept payment by most major credit and debit cards and by BACS.

Full payment **MUST** be received prior to the workshop to guarantee the booking. If full payment is not received before the deadline date of **1 September 2024**, any provisional places booked will be removed.

Bookings made after 1 September will only be guaranteed with payment in full and if places are still available.

REDUCED WORKSHOP RATE FOR LDC LIST COUNTRIES

For countries on the United Nations Least Developed Countries List (LDC), the cost of the workshop will be £1,500 +accommodation per participant.

NOTE: Places will be restricted to only 2 places per LDC country per workshop at this reduced rate. Any additional places will be available at the full cost price. Places will be available on a first come first served basis.

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

- Accommodation in a single en-suite room at Durham Radisson Blu Hotel for the nights of Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th September
- Evening dinner on Wednesday 11th September at Durham Castle
- Breakfast, lunch and refreshment breaks on 11th, 12th and 13th September

PROGRAMME

Wednesday 11 September	0830-0900	Registration	
	0900-1000	Welcome and Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The significance and value of maritime boundaries The global state of play 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges in maritime boundary delimitation
	1000-1100	Maritime boundaries: the legal framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The evolution of the law of the sea Maritime jurisdiction and boundaries under UNCLOS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conventional and customary law
	1100-1130	<i>Refreshments</i>	
	1130-1300	Identifying an equitable solution 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The importance of case law The evolution of the three-stage approach to delimitation by judicial bodies 	
	1300-1400	<i>Lunch</i>	
	1400-1530	Identifying an equitable solution 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Relevant circumstances' in case law The role of proportionality in case law 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The significance and value of state practice
	1530-1600	<i>Refreshments</i>	
Thursday 12 September	1600-1700	Baselines and basepoints in maritime delimitation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The legal framework of baselines Identifying 'appropriate basepoints' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practical exercise
	1830-2100	<i>Dinner at Durham Castle</i>	
	0900-1100	Technical aspects of maritime delimitation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The role of the technical expert Making sense of technical issues Constructing equidistance lines and other potential boundary lines Geographical tools and data resources for maritime boundary delimitation 	
	1100-1130	<i>Refreshments</i>	
Friday 13 September	1130-1245	Negotiating maritime boundaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building and preparing a negotiating team Drafting a maritime boundary agreement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negotiation and strategy tactics
	1245-1345	<i>Lunch</i>	
	1345-1700	Practical exercise Working in teams, participants will seek to delimit an equitable and technically robust maritime boundary between two neighbouring states.	
	1530-1600	<i>Refreshments</i>	
	0900-0930	Practical exercise debrief	
Friday 13 September	0930-1100	Options for resolving maritime boundary disputes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dispute resolution mechanisms under UNCLOS Advantages and disadvantages of different dispute resolution mechanisms 	
	1100-1130	<i>Refreshments</i>	
	1130-1245	Round table discussion This session will address maritime-related topics not examined elsewhere in the programme and issues raised during the workshop. Potential topics include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Islands and 'rocks' under UNCLOS Article 121 Provisional arrangements of a practical nature Sources of assistance for maritime delimitation 	
	1245-1300	<i>Wrap Up</i>	

How to book

Places are limited and early booking is highly recommended:

1. Contact the IBRU Team and complete the online booking form at www.durham.ac.uk/ibru
2. Acknowledgement of the provisional booking will be sent by email with information on how to pay.
3. If payment is not received by the deadline specified, the reserved place will be cancelled and your booking removed to a waiting list. Your place will only be confirmed when payment is received and if a place is still available.

Additional information

The Venue

The workshop will take place at The Raddisson Blu Hotel in Durham.

<https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/radisson-blu-durham>

The Radisson is located in Durham City. All three days of the workshop teaching will take place here.

Workshop Bed and Breakfast Accommodation

The workshop accommodation will be at Radisson Blue in Durham.

The fee includes 3 nights of bed and breakfast accommodation from Tuesday 10th September.

Accommodation for additional nights can be booked at additional cost. To book additional nights you must contact the hotel directly to make a booking.



Venue and Location

Workshop accommodation will be based at the Radisson Blu Hotel which is in Durham City Centre.

Durham is located in the North East of England about 250 miles north of London. It lies on main road and rail lines between London and Edinburgh and nearby airports offer connections to London Heathrow, Paris and Amsterdam.

Travel

You are expected to organise your own travel arrangements to Durham. Please be aware that if you require a visa to visit the United Kingdom, you will be required to apply for your own visa for entry in to the country. Please allow enough time for your visa to be processed before the start of the workshop. A letter on invitation can be provided to support your visa application.

Language

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

Cancellations

Cancellations must be received in writing not later than the 1 September 2024 and will be subject to a £250 cancellation fee, unless a substitute participant is offered. After this date the full registration fee will be charged for all cancellations.

Programme changes

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

The J.R.V. Prescott Scholarship

Thanks to a generous donation from the estate of international boundaries scholar JRV Prescott, IBRU is pleased to offer the JRV Prescott Student Scholarship Programme, to support postgraduate attendance at IBRU training workshops.

Each year, IBRU will award one person a scholarship covering workshop registration, plus up to £500 towards expenses, to attend one of that year's regularly scheduled training workshops. To be eligible an individual must be enrolled in a current postgraduate course of study or have completed a postgraduate qualification in the last 5 years in any discipline.

This workshop is eligible for the Prescott Scholarship.



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If you have any questions about the workshop please contact the IBRU Team.

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