

First Conference of the Americas

27 February – 1 March 2008



Jack Batievsky Scholarship

The IBA's Latin American Regional Forum, the IBA's North American Regional Forum and the IBA's Bar Issues Commission are co-presenting the First Conference of the Americas in Mexico from 27 February – 1 March 2008.

This is the perfect opportunity for all legal professions from both sides of the border to network, share information and identify issues, concerns and opportunities across America's legal markets.

At the Latin American and North American IBA Regional meeting, 27 February – 1 March, panels will speak on various issues of interest to both regions, including corporate counsel issues, capital markets and private equity, energy issues, foreign investments in real estate developments, arbitration, taxes and cross-border transactions, labour and expatriates, law firm management and the rule of law.

Background – Jack Batievsky Scholarship

When Jack Batievsky passed away suddenly in early December 2002, the International Bar Association lost a dear friend and colleague. Jack, a dedicated professional and extremely well regarded lawyer, contributed tremendously to the development of the International Bar Association. For a number of years, he was the representative of the Colegio de Abogados de Lima to the IBA Council, and was the Chair of the Section on Business Law's Professional Development Committee and the Latin American and Caribbean Forum, organising several training courses for young lawyers and a successful Conference in Cuzco, Peru in 2002.

Those interested are invited to apply for a scholarship to attend the Regional Conference in Mexico. The scholarship will cover accommodation and travel costs, as well as the cost of registration for the Conference. Those eligible to apply for the scholarship are:

- 35 years or under
- admitted to practice as a lawyer
- practicing in a Latin American country
- fluent in both written and spoken English

The application must be accompanied by a 5,000 word paper on either of the following topics:

- **Advantages and disadvantages of Free Trade Agreements vis á vis multilateral agreements**
- **Challenges of the law profession in Latin America**

Papers will be assessed by the following panel of Lawyers:

Francisco Illanes *Chile*
Eduardo Mayora *Guatemala*
Maria Teresa Quiñones *Peru*
Daniel de Rio *Mexico*

The two successful candidates will be required to submit a report on the Conference to the IBA which will be published on the IBA website.

Applications must be submitted in electronic format by Friday 18 January 2008 to:

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Jack Batievsky Scholarship Application Form

Please type or complete in BLOCK CAPITALS

Each question must be answered in detail *continuing on a separate sheet if necessary*

Personal details

Family name _____

First name _____

Date of birth _____ Age _____ Male Female

Nationality _____

Firm details

Name of firm _____

Position within firm _____ Date of joining firm _____

Address of firm _____

Street _____

City _____ Postal/Zip code _____

Tel _____ Fax _____ e-mail _____

Address for correspondence (if different from above)

Street _____

City _____ Postal/Zip code _____

Tel _____ Fax _____ e-mail _____

Education

Particulars of University education, including dates

Practice

Years of Practice _____

Areas of Practice _____

Countries admitted to practice _____

Other previous legal experience _____

Offices held with any national/local professional law association _____

Language

Language (if English is not your mother tongue, *a certificate of proficiency must be attached*)

Level of fluency in English Fluent Good Working knowledge

Do you speak any other foreign language? _____

Other

Are you a member of the IBA? No Yes Membership no. _____

Have you attended any other IBA Conference? No Yes

If yes, where and when? _____

Please specify details of any previous scholarships and/or prizes awarded and details of time spent studying/working abroad.

Reference

We may seek a reference (eg from a senior member of your firm, professor or other equivalent). Please supply name and address details

Name and position _____

Address _____

City _____ Postal/Zip code _____

Tel _____ Fax _____ email _____

Confirmation

Please provide a paper of 5,000 words on either:

- Advantages and disadvantages of Free Trade Agreements vis á vis multilateral agreements
- Challenges of the law profession in Latin America

Please also include a brief statement (no more than 250 words) on why you wish to attend the Conference and in what way, if any, you believe participation will enhance your practice.

I enclose:

- Confirmation letter from national/local Bar Association
- Certificate of proficiency in English
- Paper on the key legal, institutional and regulatory factors facing global investors in the Latin American region
- Statement why you wish to attend the Conference

Signed _____ Date _____

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