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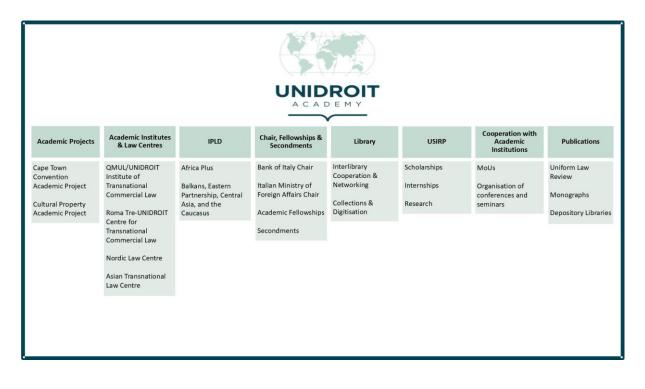
Item No. 12 on the agenda: UNIDROIT Academy

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. In 2021, at its 100th session, the Governing Council approved the Secretariat's proposal to create the UNIDROIT Academy, with a view to enable the adoption of a unified approach to UNIDROIT's many interrelated non-legislative, academic activities (<u>C.D. (100) B.22</u>). This document provides an update on all activities with a predominantly academic component, as noted in the figure below.



II. UNIDROIT ACADEMIC PROJECTS

A. Cape Town Convention Academic Project



2. The Cape Town Convention Academic Project (CTCAP) is a joint undertaking between UNIDROIT and the University of Cambridge Faculty of Law, under the auspices of the Centre for Corporate and Commercial Law (3CL). The Aviation Working Group is the founding sponsor of CTCAP, whereas Prof. Ignacio Tirado (UNIDROIT), Prof. Louise Gullifer (University of Cambridge), and Prof. Jeffrey Wool (Aviation Working Group) serve as the Directors.

3. The primary objective of CTCAP is to facilitate and further the academic study and assessment of the Cape Town Convention and its Protocols. It does this by providing a comprehensive, digitised and searchable repository (www.ctcap.org) of documents and publications related to the Cape Town Convention and its Protocols. From time to time, CTCAP also issues annotations to the Official Commentary on the Convention and the Aircraft Protocol in order to provide further guidance on specific issues relevant to practitioners and researchers of the Cape Town Convention. It also publishes the Cape Town Convention Academic Journal and organises the annual Cape Town Convention Academic Project Conference, now regularly organised at Cambridge University, having previously taken place at the University of Oxford and at UNIDROIT.

4. Finally, CTCAP also oversees three related projects: the <u>Economic Evaluation of International</u> <u>Commercial Law Reform (EE ICLR) Project</u>, the <u>Best Practices in the Field of Electronic Registry</u> <u>Design and Operation (BPER) Project</u>, and the <u>Implementation of</u>, and <u>Compliance with</u>, <u>International</u> <u>Commercial Law Treaties Project (Treaty Project</u>). These projects further complement research on the Cape Town Convention and transnational law in general. In 2021, the BPER Project published a <u>Best Practices Guide for Electronic Collateral Registries</u> and, since then, it has focused on developing best practices for electronic business registries.

5. Since the last session of the Governing Council, CTCAP has remained highly active. Several moot court competitions have been organised under the auspices of CTCAP with the purpose of familiarising students and judges with the Cape Town Convention and its Aircraft Protocol through complex hypothetical fact patterns and educational exercises in a simulated judicial setting. The hypothetical scenarios and related materials are tailored to the jurisdiction of each competition venue. On 6 March 2024, a moot court competition took place between students at the McGill Faculty of Law, organised by McGill faculty members, the AWG Canadian contact group (led by Blakes), and AWG. The moot court was judged by HH Mr Justice Louis Charette (Judge of the Superior Courts of Quebec), HH Mr Justice Martin Castonguay (Judge of the Superior Courts of Quebec), and HH Mme Justice Marie Deschamps (Retired Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada). Furthermore, a moot court competition between students from Brooklyn Law School and Fordham University School of Law took place on 2 April 2025 at the Brooklyn Law School. The moot court problem focused on cross-border insolvency issues arising under the CTC. The panel of judges featured distinguished members of the U.S. judiciary, including the Hon. Judge Shelly Chapman (retired, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York), and the Hon. Elizabeth Stong (U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of New York). An additional moot court competition is being organised in Nigeria for the autumn of 2025.

6. The 13th annual CTCAP Conference took place at Jesus College, University of Cambridge, in hybrid format on 11 and 12 September 2024. The Conference counted 128 registered participants, 88 attending in person and the rest participating via Zoom. This year, the Conference's focus was the "Cape Town Convention in action: from Aircraft to Rail to MAC". The programme included contributions from leading academics and other experts, as well as discussion involving Cape Town Convention experts from all fields. The conference was highly interactive as usual, with each session including ample opportunity for questions and debate.

7. The eighth Workshop for the BPER Project was organised by CTCAP on 16 September 2024 at the seat of UNIDROIT in Rome and online, with the support of the UNIDROIT Foundation and Aviareto. Prior to the Workshop, a draft of the prospective Guide on Best Practices for Electronic Business Registry Design and Operation had been circulated to the group of experts to solicit their comments in writing. Based on the feedback received, the Workshop participants agreed upon the definitions and core content of some key critical performance factors (CPFs) particularly relevant in the context of electronic business registries. A Summary Report for the eighth workshop can be found <u>here</u>.

8. Following the eighth workshop in September 2024, the BPER Project's intersessional meeting took place on 12 February 2025 in an online format. The participants reviewed the Project's intersessional work, including a survey on the collection, registration, and disclosure of business-related information that was distributed to business registries in December 2024, and discussed the content of the Annexe to the Guide dedicated to the scope of publicly available information. The ninth workshop is planned to take place on 18 and 19 June 2025 with a view to finalising the draft Guide and launching it during the CTCAP Annual Conference in September 2025.

9. The tenth (restricted) workshop on the EE ICLR Project took place on 17 September 2024 at the seat of UNIDROIT and online, with 16 participants. This session aimed at refining the Framework, a formula of five Factors representing different economic impacts, and the draft Guide to the Framework for the Economic Evaluation of International Commercial Law Reform. The Guide was developed over the course of previous sessions to facilitate the effective use of the Framework. The tenth workshop focused on the practical application of the Framework and the Guide, using two Case Studies prepared by the UNIDROIT Secretariat in cooperation with an economics professor, Prof. J. Paniagua. The Case Studies involved a hypothetical *ex-ante* economic evaluation of the UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law and the UNIDROIT Draft Legislative Guide on Bank Liquidation, helping to elaborate on key concepts of the project.

10. The 11th (restricted) workshop followed on 23 January 2025 at the University of Cambridge and online, and was attended by 11 participants with legal and economic backgrounds. The workshop focused on finalising the Framework and the draft Guide. The participants examined their applicability through a new Case Study on a hypothetical legislative proposal for Dispute Resolution for Cross-border Transactions of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and Rural Communities, developed by the Secretariat and Prof. J. Paniagua. After recommending a few last adjustments, the participants agreed to move forward with project finalisation. The next steps include a targeted consultation, with a final consultation workshop to be held on 17 June 2025, and the official launch of the Guide by the end of 2025.

11. Following the planning session on the Treaty Project held on 15 February 2024 in Rome, the first workshop of the Treaty Project took place on 21 and 22 January 2025 at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge, and online. The session brought together 20 participants, including academics from leading universities. The workshop primarily focused on target treaty areas which served as examples of, and comparisons for, the provision of implementation and compliance incentives. Experts from various treaty areas had previously responded to targeted questionnaires and shared their insights during the workshop. Building on the discussions, the participants agreed that the Treaty Project would proceed on two levels, involving: (i) the development of a Best Practices Guide for Implementation of and Compliance with International

Commercial Law Treaties; and (ii) further academic research into treaty compliance, beyond commercial law. The next workshop for the Treaty Project is scheduled for 4 September 2025 at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, a key collaborator of the project.



B. The 1995 UNIDROIT Cultural Property Academic Project

12. The <u>1995 UNIDROIT Convention Academic Project (UCAP</u>) aims to increase awareness and knowledge of the 1995 UNIDROIT Convention and to promote and create ties between relevant (inter)national research carried out by universities and other bodies that are active in the field of cultural heritage law.

13. As of March 2025, 14 universities (from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, China, Hungary, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Switzerland, and the United States), the Law Schools Global League (an association of 31 top law schools from all five continents), and the European Students' Association for Cultural Heritage (ESACH) had joined UCAP as institutional partners, while 44 professors, researchers, lawyers, PhD candidates, etc., had joined as individual partners. Several partners have organised courses or conferences to promote UNIDROIT instruments in this field.

14. Within the UCAP framework, UNIDROIT is a partner of the Art-Law Centre of the University of Geneva in the context of the Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS). This programme aims to provide a high level of knowledge and understanding of the substantive themes of international cultural heritage law through a modern and dynamic problem-based learning method.

15. Within the framework of UCAP, UNIDROIT has been invited to deliver lectures on its instruments relating to cultural property at many universities, as detailed in the 2024 Annual Report (C.D. (105) 2). A number of events have already been planned for 2025.

III. ACADEMIC INSTITUTES AND LAW CENTRES

A. Queen Mary University London (QMUL)/UNIDROIT Institute of Transnational Commercial Law

16. The QMUL/UNIDROIT Institute for Transnational Commercial Law, originally founded in 2016 following an initiative of Prof. Sir Roy Goode and the then UNIDROIT President Prof. Alberto Mazzoni, was formally relaunched on 9 January 2023 with the signing of the renewed Concordat and Regulations and new governance (Prof. Rosa Lastra, Sir John Lubbock Chair in Banking Law at QMUL/CCLS, and Prof. Anna Veneziano, UNIDROIT Deputy Secretary-General, as Co-Directors, Dr Franziska Arnold-Dwyer as Deputy Director, Prof. Sir Roy Goode as Founding Director and Honorary Chair of the Institute, and UNIDROIT Secretary-General Prof. Ignacio Tirado on the Executive Board).

Governance and Advisory Board

17. Dr Franziska Arnold-Dwyer left the Queen Mary University of London for another academic position in 2024 and was replaced as Deputy Director by Dr Kamala Dawar. Dr Arnold-Dwyer has since joined the Advisory Board of the Institute.

18. The <u>Advisory Board</u> met remotely on 9 September 2024 and on 18 March 2025. Five new members were appointed at the latter session so as to enhance the geographical diversity and professional expertise of the Board: Dr Franziska Arnold-Dwyer (on 9 September 2023) (former Deputy Director, UK), Mr Paul Ng (Singapore), Prof. Dominic Spenser Underhill (UK), Mr Gianmatteo Nunziante (Italy), and Prof. Isabel Margarita Zuloaga Ríos (Chile). The Board discussed upcoming events and shared proposals for new initiatives with the involvement of the Institute (see below).

Forthcoming events sponsored or co-sponsored by the Institute

19. Since the 103rd session of the Governing Council, the QMUL/UNIDROIT Institute has continued to fulfill its mandate, particularly focusing on the organisation of events for academics, practitioners and/or students, and on collaboration in the presentation and promotion of UNIDROIT instruments, as well as through participation of QMUL experts in UNIDROIT projects.

- 20. The recent initiatives of the Institute include the following:
 - The co-sponsoring of a seminar organised by the Roma Tre-UNIDROIT Centre for Transnational Commercial Law and International Arbitration, entitled "International Arbitration in Financial Disputes: Recent Trends", held in Paris (France) at Sciences Po on 9 April 2025, in the framework of Paris Arbitration Week, with participation of the Co-Director of the Institute, Prof. Rosa Lastra, and the UNIDROIT President, Prof. Maria Chiara Malaguti.
 - The co-sponsoring and co-organisation of an event entitled "Optimising supply chain finance: Unlocking safe, secure, affordable solutions", which will be held in London on 12 May 2025. The event, organised by the International Chamber of Commerce UK, will offer an opportunity to present the benefits of the UNIDROIT Model Law on Factoring and the UNCITRAL-UNIDROIT Model Law on Warehouse Receipts in the financing of SMEs in supply chains, and is particularly aimed at supply chain finance experts, policy makers, regulators, corporate finance and treasury teams. Deputy Secretary-General Prof. Anna Veneziano and Senior Legal Officer Mr William Brydie-Watson will join representatives of the factoring trade association Factors Chain International (FCI), the EBRD, and the UK Warehousing Association, as well as representatives of UNCITRAL and experts who participated in the drafting of the two instruments. More information is available <u>here</u>.
 - The organisation of a series of lectures on various topics in transnational commercial law, including various UNIDROIT instruments, to master's degree students at Queen Mary, which will start in autumn of 2025 and will offer the opportunity to lecture in person or remotely. The series will be opened by UNIDROIT President Prof. Maria Chiara Malaguti and will see participation of the UNIDROIT Secretary-General as well as several members of the Advisory Board. More information is available <u>here</u>.

21. Several additional proposals for events and activities were flagged during the last meeting of the Advisory Board in March 2025, including the involvement of the Institute in the activities of the UNIDROIT Centenary in 2026; a supply chain financing event in Singapore for South East Asia, possibly as a part of a larger stakeholder event in the region; an event on the UNIDROIT Legislative Guide on Bank Liquidation, which will be submitted to the Governing Council at its 105th session; and lectures or seminars hosted by the universities of the Advisory Board members.

B. Roma Tre-UNIDROIT Centre for Transnational Commercial Law and International Arbitration

22. In April 2023, the Roma Tre University School of Law and UNIDROIT constituted the Roma Tre-UNIDROIT Centre for Transnational Commercial Law and International Arbitration, with the intention to implement the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the two institutions on 15 November 2021. The Centre aims to promote research and scholarly debate on transnational commercial law and international arbitration. Its research focuses primarily on topics of transnational commercial law related to UNIDROIT's uniform law initiatives, projects and instruments. The Centre also aims to develop and coordinate research projects, promote conferences, seminars and workshops, and produce specialised publications in order to disseminate the results of the research. It also fosters relations and promotes collaboration with other universities, national and international scientific bodies (both public and private) and the private sector.

23. The Centre is directed by Prof. Maria Chiara Malaguti (President of UNIDROIT) and Prof. Giacomo Rojas Elgueta (Professor of Private Law at Roma Tre University School of Law). The Executive Committee,¹ which met for the second time on 8 November 2024, is expected to meet twice a year to discuss the agenda of the Centre. The governance of the Roma Tre-UNIDROIT Centre further includes Fellows coming from academia, law firms and other institutions. It is envisaged that, in the near future, research scholars may be funded by the Centre to develop research projects in the areas of UNIDROIT's mandate.

24. The activities of the Roma Tre-UNIDROIT Centre revolve around four main pillars. The first pillar is that of research projects, which currently include the <u>Global Crises and Contract Remedies</u> <u>Academic Project</u> and a <u>Task Force on International Investment Contracts (IICs)</u>, the latter aiming to provide information and legal analysis to the UNIDROIT Working Group on UPICC and international investment contracts while conducting in parallel an independent stream of academic activity and publications.² The second pillar is publications, either stemming from such research projects or authored by the Fellows of the Centre. The third is teaching, which currently includes the Certificate in International Commercial and Investment Arbitration (an annual summer school organised at Roma Tre University School of Law since 2014), and the University of Roma Tre-UNIDROIT Annual International Arbitration Lecture (the summer school's closing event). The last pillar is the organisation of conferences and events, including an Annual Conference held every autumn in Rome. Additionally, this pillar includes the organisation of closed-door meetings and seminars on various topics to be identified as part of a list of priorities.

25. The Centre organised several activities over the past year. In September 2024, it coorganised the 11th edition of the Certificate in International Commercial and Investment Arbitration and the 11th University of Roma Tre-UNIDROIT Annual International Arbitration Lecture, delivered by Prof. Mohamed Abdel Wahab (Cairo University). The Centre co-organised its first Annual Conference with the Bank of Italy, entitled "The Many Shades of Climate Change: Through the Lenses of Dispute Settlement" on 8 November 2024, with the support of *Società Italiana per le Imprese all'Estero* (SIMEST, the Italian National Agency Supporting Businesses Abroad) and under the auspices of the ICCA and ICSID. A short summary of the presentations from the Annual Conference was published on the Kluwer Arbitration Blog in December 2024. Further, the Centre was a Partner of Paris

¹ Besides representatives from Roma Tre University School of Law (Antonio Carratta and Andrea Zoppini) and UNIDROIT (Ignacio Tirado and Anna Veneziano), the Executive Committee includes other representatives from academia (William Burke-White, University of Pennsylvania Carey School of Law; Gabrielle Kaufmann-Kohler, Geneva University Law School; Herbert Kronke, Heidelberg University), representatives from Italian (Stefano Cappiello, Ministry of Economy and Finance; Gabriella Palmieri, Attorney General; Marino Perassi, Bank of Italy) and international (Stanimir Alexandrov, ICCA; Ida Caracciolo, ITLOS; Martina Polasek and Meg Kinnear, ICSID) institutions, and representatives of the market (Federico Bonaiuto, Leonardo; Pasquale Salzano, CDP Group; Francesco Puntillo, Enel).

² For further details on the work of the Roma Tre-UNIDROIT task force on IICs, see <u>C.D. (105) 11</u>.

Arbitration Week, which took place from 7 to 11 April 2025. The Centre supported an event organised by an independent arbitration institution concerning civil law systems and governing contract law, reflecting on the perspective of transnational law as a bridge between legal families. It also coorganised a seminar on "International Arbitration in Financial Disputes: Recent Trends", together with the Queen Mary-UNIDROIT Institute of Transnational Commercial Law and Sciences Po Law School.

26. Planned future activities include: (i) a workshop in the context of the Italian Arbitration Day, scheduled for 9 June 2025, exploring how a set of legal principles on human rights and sustainability may fit within the legal discourse on transnational law in the context of commercial and investment arbitration; (ii) the 12th edition of the Certificate in International Commercial Law and Investment Arbitration (22-26 September 2025) and the 12th Annual International Arbitration Lecture (26 September 2025); and (iii) the Second Annual Conference, scheduled for 7 November 2025, which will focus on the complex interplay between risk and the law.

C. Nordic Law Centre and Dedicated Library Section

27. The UNIDROIT Centre for Nordic Law Studies and Transnational Private Law ("Nordic Law Centre", NLC) is a research centre which fosters cooperation between the Nordic jurisdictions and UNIDROIT in the field of private law. Founded in May 2023 under the UNIDROIT Academy, the Centre seeks to promote the work of UNIDROIT, its instruments and projects, in the Nordic region, and increase international awareness of Nordic law in areas of interest for UNIDROIT, primarily through the organisation of academic events.

28. The NLC serves as a research hub with a dedicated space in Villa Aldobrandini, where scholars from the Nordic countries, or those with an interest in comparative law and the relationship between private law and Nordic private law, are welcome to conduct research and share their findings in a transnational environment. The Centre benefits from the support of the UNIDROIT Library, which holds an extensive collection of Nordic law books donated by Prof. Giuditta Cordero-Moss (University of Oslo, Norway) and certain other universities and research institutes and centres.

29. The Centre operates under a three-tier governance structure consisting of (i) an Advisory Board, (ii) an Academic Board, and (iii) an Academic Council. The Centre's activities are coordinated by the UNIDROIT Secretariat and Prof. Cordero-Moss, and are financially supported by the relevant universities, as speakers cover their own expenses, ensuring that no additional financial burden is placed on the Institute.

30. Recent academic activities include a workshop on "The Nordic Approach to the Contract/Tort Divide" held on 11 October 2024, focusing on the relationship between contracts and torts in a comparative context, and the frontier between contractual and non-contractual liability in Denmark, Finland, Norway, and Sweden. The event took place at UNIDROIT and featured presentations on recent legal developments, similarities and differences between contractual and non-contractual liability, and how the limits of liability are determined in chains of contracts. The event featured opening remarks by President Prof. Maria Chiara Malaguti and Prof. Giuditta Cordero-Moss and was moderated by Dr Stina Bratt (Swedish Corporate Governance Institute at Stockholm University). The panel included presentations by Dr Bratt, Associate Prof. Johannes Hygen Meyer (University of Oslo), Prof. Vibe Ulfbeck (University of Copenhagen) and Dr Katja Perätalo (Partner at Hannes Snellman).

31. Future activities include a Workshop on cross-border assignments in private international law, scheduled for 27 June 2025.

D. UNIDROIT Asian Transnational Law Centre

32. The Asian Transnational Law Centre (ATLC) was founded in May 2024, drawing on the need to strengthen the Institute's endeavours in the implementation and dissemination of its instruments in the Asia-Pacific region. Jointly led by UNIDROIT Principal Legal Officer Prof. Meiling Huang and Senior Legal Officer Mr William Brydie-Watson as the ATLC's Co-Directors, under the supervision of the UNIDROIT Secretary-General, the ATLC operates with the objectives of (i) promoting the work of UNIDROIT, UNIDROIT international instruments and UNIDROIT projects in the Asia-Pacific region, and (ii) strengthening connections between relevant stakeholders from Asia and UNIDROIT. The Centre is operated in accordance with its Terms of Reference (2024) and its Strategic Plan 2024-2026.

33. The ATLC is entirely funded through external contributions, with no use of the UNIDROIT budget. In April 2024, the ATLC secured a sponsorship agreement with Yingke Law Firm, according to which the sponsor will provide the UNIDROIT Foundation with EUR 300,000 to support the ATLC's operations over a three-year period (2024-2026). The first instalment of the sponsorship was received in June 2024 and was utilised to fund the Centre's activities in 2024.

34. To guide the ATLC's strategic development, an Advisory Committee comprising 11 Asian legal experts was established in September 2024.³ The Advisory Committee is composed of distinguished Governing Council Members, Asian academics, and other relevant stakeholders with significant expertise in UNIDROIT instruments and activities, as appointed by the Secretary-General in consultation with the ATLC Co-Director(s), taking into account UNIDROIT Membership and subregional diversity. The first session, convened in November 2024, provided strategic insights into the ATLC's future activities. A key area of focus was leveraging the Centre as a platform to enhance engagement with the Asia-Pacific region by, for instance, organising academic events and expanding partnerships with academic institutions in the region. The feedback from the Advisory Committee was incorporated into the ATLC's strategic and operational plans. The second session of the Advisory Committee was held on 31 March 2025, with a focus on the Centre's activities in 2025.

35. In the course of its initial year of operations in 2024, the ATLC carried out a number of activities as consistent with its Terms of Reference:

- Institutional: (i) conclusion of sponsorship agreement with Yingke Law Firm (April 2024) and meeting with Yingke delegation at the seat of UNIDROIT, (ii) preparation and adoption of the ATLC's Terms of Reference, Strategic Plan 2024-2026 and 2024 Activities and Budget document, (iii) establishment of the Advisory Committee (September 2024) and convening of its first online session (November 2024), (iv) creation of a dedicated page for the ATLC on the UNIDROIT website⁴ as part of the Academic Institutions page, and (v) preparation of Concept Notes for the major events to be held in 2025, including the UPICC International Arbitration Moot Competition and the ATLC Seminar Series.
- Library, publications and translations: The ATLC has established a dedicated Asian Transnational Law Library section within the UNIDROIT Library and provided approximately 100 additional publications in the field of Asian law. The ATLC also initiated translation projects in order to translate the UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law into Turkish, Vietnamese and Chinese, aiming to enhance accessibility to these legal instruments across different Asian jurisdictions.

³ The ATLC Advisory Committee is comprised of the following experts: Prof. Sheelagh McCracken (Australia), Prof. Ji Wenhua (China), Ms Uma Sekhar (India), Prof. Prita Amalia (Indonesia), Prof. Hideki Kanda (Japan), Prof. Amarsanaa Batbold (Mongolia), Prof. Inho Kim (Korea), Prof. Yusuf Çalışkan (Türkiye), Prof. Dora Neo (Singapore), Prof. Virgilio de los Reyes (the Philippines), and Prof. Petra Butler (New Zealand).

⁴ <u>https://www.unidroit.org/unidroit-academy/institutes-2/#1726583240101-a15b4ed0-c842</u>.

- <u>Scholarships, internships and research opportunities</u>: Four interns and three scholars from the Asian region received ATLC funding in 2024, enabling them to undertake internships and research stays at the seat of UNIDROIT in Rome.
- Events, consultations and meetings: In November 2024, the ATLC successfully organised its first international conference in Shanghai, marking the 30th anniversary of the publication of the UPICC.⁵ Additionally, the Centre provided financial support to facilitate the UNIDROIT Secretariat and experts' participation in key international events, including an expert policy dialogue on the MAC Protocol at the APEC Economic Committee meeting (Peru, August 2024),⁶ a stakeholder consultation event on the MAC Protocol⁷ and a secured transactions reform workshop at the University of Tokyo (Japan, September 2024),⁸ and the fifth UN Job Fair aimed at raising the awareness of UNIDROIT's work in China (China, October 2024).⁹ The ATLC also joined a stakeholder consultation event on the Model Law on Factoring in Türkiye¹⁰ and an academic visit and guest lecture to the Medeniyet University Faculty of Law (Türkiye, November 2024).¹¹

36. In 2024, the ATLC also undertook a number of preparatory activities for 2025 initiatives, especially the preparation for the first ATLC Seminar Series presentation on Digital Assets and Private Law (Rome, January 2025).

37. Under the auspices of the UNIDROIT Asian Transnational Law Centre (ATLC), the UPICC International Arbitration Moot was officially launched in November 2024 in Shanghai, China. The Moot is dedicated to exploring the applications and implications of the UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts (UPICC) in arbitration contexts. The first edition of the UPICC International Arbitration Moot will be co-organised by the ATLC and the Shanghai International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (Shanghai International Arbitration Centre, SHIAC). The Moot is open to law students specialising in international arbitration or contract law. The preliminary rounds will take place in Shanghai from 3 to 4 November 2025, while the semi-final and final rounds will be held in Rome from 1 to 2 December 2025.

38. In 2025, the ATLC will undertake the activities listed below. To support the delivery of these activities, the ATLC will be supported by the secondment and internship of legal experts and students from the Asia Pacific region.

Library, publications and translations

39. As set out in the Centre's Terms of Reference, the ATLC undertakes a number of activities in relation to library support, publications and translations, including (i) support for the Asian Transnational Law Centre Library within the UNIDROIT Library, (ii) provision of additional Asian law publications to the UNIDROIT Library, (iii) preparation and publication of materials that promote the work of UNIDROIT in Asia, and (iv) translation of UNIDROIT instruments into Asian languages. In 2025, these activities will include:

- ⁶ <u>https://www.unidroit.org/unidroit-supports-apec-agricultural-sector-secured-finance-reform-initiativein-peru/</u>.
- 7 <u>https://www.unidroit.org/unidroit-delivers-mac-protocol-consultation-workshop-for-japanesestakeholders/.</u>

⁵ <u>https://www.unidroit.org/shanghai-upicc-conference/</u>.

⁸ <u>https://www.unidroit.org/28553/</u>.

⁹ <u>https://www.unidroit.org/unidroit-represented-at-5th-un-job-fair-in-china/</u>.

¹⁰ <u>https://www.unidroit.org/unidroit-participates-in-model-law-on-factoring-consultation-event-for-</u> <u>turkish-stakeholders/</u>.

¹¹ <u>https://www.unidroit.org/unidroit-visits-medeniyet-university-to-strengthen-cooperation-with-</u> <u>turkish-academia/</u>.

- Establishment of the ATLC Research Hub: In early 2025, the ATLC concluded an additional sponsorship agreement with Yingke Law Firm for the construction of a ATLC Research Hub within the UNIDROIT Library. The creation of the ATLC Research Hub will complement the work programme of the ATLC by providing (i) an area to expand the collection of Asian law books associated with the ATLC, (ii) desk space for ATLC-sponsored scholars and interns from the Asia-Pacific region to undertake research at the ATLC, and (iii) an area for ATLC experts to meet and discuss their work. If further resources can be raised, the Asian Transnational Law Library will be extended by renovating additional rooms in the UNIDROIT Library Annex. The construction work is expected to be completed in 2025.
- <u>Expansion of the Asian Transnational Law collection within the UNIDROIT Library</u>: In addition to the 100 Asian law publications acquired in 2024, the ATLC will add an additional 500 publications in 2025.
- <u>Translation of UNIDROIT Instruments</u>: In 2025, the ATLC proposes to facilitate the publication of six translations of three UNIDROIT instruments into four Asian languages:
 - <u>UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law</u>: Chinese, Turkish and Vietnamese translations.
 - <u>UNIDROIT Model Law on Factoring</u>: Chinese (reissued) and Japanese.
 - <u>UNIDROIT Legislative Guide on Bank Liquidation</u>: Chinese (translation will begin once the instrument is formally adopted in 2025).

Scholarships, internships and research opportunities

40. The ATLC undertakes a number of activities in relation to providing scholarship, internship and research opportunities, including (i) the organisation of the secondment of talented legal experts from Asia to work with the UNIDROIT Secretariat on UNIDROIT projects and instruments, (ii) sponsorship of talented legal scholars from Asia to undertake research stays at the world-class international private law library at the seat of UNIDROIT, and (iii) sponsorship of talented law students from Asia to undertake internships at the seat of UNIDROIT. In 2025, these activities will include:

- Sponsorship of at least five scholars from Asia and five interns from Asia:¹² as part of UNIDROIT's annual scholarship and internship selection process, two interns and five scholars have already been selected for 2025;
- The ATLC is working with the China Scholarship Council (CSC) to facilitate up to 20 internship opportunities and 10 fellowship (scholarship) opportunities for Chinese legal experts at UNIDROIT in 2025-2026 under the 2024 MOU concluded between UNIDROIT and the CSC.

Events, consultations and meetings

41. The ATLC undertakes a number of activities in relation to the organisation of events, including (i) the organisation of consultation and promotion events for UNIDROIT projects and instruments in Asia and at the seat of UNIDROIT, (ii) financial support for legal experts and the UNIDROIT Secretariat to participate in events, regional fora and other activities in Asia, and (iii) financial support for legal

¹² ATLC scholars and interns will be recruited annually through the established UNIDROIT Scholarship, Internship and Research Programme (SIRP). ATLC scholars will be provided with a maximum of EUR 1,500 per month for two months plus EUR 1,000 for their airfare (total EUR 4,000 per scholar), and interns will be provided with a maximum of EUR 1,000 per month for three months plus EUR 1,000 for their airfare (total EUR 4,000 per intern). These opportunities will focus on non-Chinese scholars and interns, as Chinese applicants can apply for internship and scholarship opportunities at UNIDROIT under UNIDROIT's MOU with the China Scholarship Council (CSC).

experts from the Asia-Pacific region to participate in UNIDROIT projects, events and other UNIDROIT activities. In 2025, these activities will include:

- International Conference on Digital Asset Transactions and Legal Protection. Jointly hosted by UNIDROIT, Beijing International Dispute Resolution Centre (BIDRC) and Beijing Arbitration Commission/Beijing International Arbitration Court (BAC/BIAC), with Zhongnan University of Economics and Law as the supporting organisation, the Conference, held on 8 April 2025 in Beijing, brought together leading experts from the legal, financial, and technological sectors worldwide to discuss cutting-edge legal issues related to digital asset transactions and international cooperation mechanisms, thereby promoting the establishment of a more secure, transparent, and efficient governance framework for the digital economy. The conference had approximately 30 speakers from the Chinese Ministry of Commerce, the Chinese Ministry of Justice and the People's Supreme Court of China.
- <u>International Conference on the Cape Town Convention and its Rail and MAC Protocols</u>. To further explore the international legal issues related to the Cape Town Convention and enhance global legal cooperation, UNIDROIT, the Chinese Society of Private International Law, and China University of Political Science and Law co-hosted the International Conference on the UNIDROIT Cape Town Convention on 12 April 2025 in Beijing.
- <u>Conference on private law matters in the metaverse</u>. UNIDROIT will co-organise the conference in partnership with Chuo University (Tokyo, Japan) at the seat of UNIDROIT in Rome on 13 July 2025.
- Beijing Arbitration Commission (BAC) Summit. The Summit, co-hosted by UNIDROIT and Beijing Arbitration Commission, is scheduled to be held on 27 June 2025 at Sapienza University in Rome. The key objective of the Summit is to create a multitude of fora in which practitioners can come together to exchange ideas and raise awareness of the latest trends in the field of commercial arbitration and examine topical arbitration issues with a focus on Europe and Asia.
- International conference on the theory and structure of property law in Vietnam (tbc). Vietnam National University, Hanoi, in collaboration with the ATLC, will co-organise the conference with the aim to create an academic platform for experts, scholars, faculty members, and researchers to exchange knowledge focusing on the study and analysis of a scientific, modern, and efficient property law model that aligns with Vietnam's market economy and the development of a rule-of-law state (Hanoi, Vietnam, September 2025).
- <u>China-ASEAN Commercial Law Forum (tbc)</u>. The ATLC is currently in discussions with the organisers of the 22nd China-ASEAN Expo to determine whether the 2025 China-Asian Commercial Law Forum could focus on UNIDROIT instruments and their benefits for ASEAN members (Nanning, Guangxi, 17-21 September 2025).

Other activities

42. The ATLC also undertakes a range of other activities to achieve its mission. In 2025 these activities will include:

- <u>2025 UNIDROIT ATLC Summer School (First Edition)</u>. The Summer School will be coorganised by UNIDROIT and Zhongnan University of Economics and Law in Wuhan, China from 9 to 18 September 2025. The target group will consist of both domestic and international students from law schools across China, with an estimated total of 100 students from approximately 20 countries. The Summer School is targeting participants who aspire to contribute to the unification and harmonisation of private law across different countries, as well as those interested in pursuing careers in international organisations.

- <u>UPICC International Arbitration Moot</u>. Following its official launch in Shanghai in 2024, the UPICC International Arbitration Moot will hold its inaugural competition in 2025. Dedicated to exploring the applications and implications of the UPICC in arbitration contexts, the Moot is a significant step in promoting the use of the instrument within Asia's burgeoning arbitration community. Registration for the competition will open in April, with the preliminary round taking place in Shanghai in November, followed by the semi-final and final rounds in Rome in December 2025.
- Initial Sessions of the ATLC Seminar Series. The ATLC will host quarterly legal ATLC Seminars (the "ATLC Seminar Series"), inviting scholars from Asia and other regions to discuss the connection between UNIDROIT's projects and Asia, as well as the impact of UNIDROIT's instruments on the region. Each session will focus on a specific theme or topic related to a UNIDROIT project, instrument, or area of work. The first ATLC Seminar was held in January 2025 on the UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law and their legal application in Asia (Rome, January 2025).¹³
- <u>Establishment of the ATLC Legal Network</u>. The ATLC Legal Network is envisaged as a platform connecting universities, legal societies, and research bodies to promote UNIDROIT's work and foster collaboration.
- <u>Facilitation of cooperation agreements</u>. Currently, the ATLC is engaging with academic institutions in Vietnam, Cambodia and Thailand to explore possible collaborations, including facilitating discussions to sign an MOU with the Cambodian Royal University of Law and Economics.

IV. UNIDROIT INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME FOR LAW AND DEVELOPMENT

43. The Secretariat initially proposed the organisation of a UNIDROIT International Summer School specifically aimed at participants from African countries in 2022 during the 100th session of the Governing Council. This initiative, made possible with the contribution of the Directorate General for Development Cooperation of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (DGCS-MAECI), aimed to bring together judges, legal drafters, government officials, and public sector lawyers as well as distinguished scholars and practitioners in a dynamic educational setting (<u>C.D. (100) B.22</u>).

44. The first edition of the International Summer School, under Director Mr Marco Nicoli, was held in hybrid format from 20 June to 22 July 2022. A total of 22 participants from 13 African countries (Algeria, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritania, Mauritius, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, and Tunisia), including 12 women and 10 men, were admitted through a strict selection process.

45. Following the success of its inaugural edition, the DGCS-MAECI approved a new grant to support the 2023 (second) edition, which took place from 5 June to 7 July 2023. The programme was rebranded as the UNIDROIT International Programme for Law and Development (IPLD) to reflect its broadened scope, which went beyond a traditional summer course. The second edition featured 22 judges, legal drafters, and public sector lawyers from 17 African countries: Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, Mauritania, Mauritius, Nigeria, Somalia, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zambia, with equal gender distribution.

¹³ https://www.unidroit.org/unidroit-hosts-the-inaugural-session-of-the-atlc-seminar-series/.

46. The 2024 (third) edition of the IPLD, again supported by the DGCS-MAECI, was held from 6 June to 5 July 2024, both online and in person in Rome, under a newly appointed Director, Ms Maria Teresa Jaquinta. Out of the 60 candidatures received from 21 African countries, the 20 selected participants represented the following countries: Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Morocco, Somalia, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zimbabwe. In keeping with the programme's mission, once again participants were selected through a competitive process aimed at ensuring regional diversity, gender balance, and representation from a variety of public legal sectors.

A. Africa Plus

The success of the third edition (2024) led to renewed support of the DGCS-MAECI for a 47. fourth, significantly expanded edition of the IPLD (rebranded as "IPLD 2025 Africa Plus"). This renewed commitment has enabled an increase in the number of participants (30), broader geographical representation, and enhanced logistical support for both lecturers and participants. It has also allowed for strengthened capacity-building. The Call for Applications launched in early February 2025 attracted 122 applications from 24 countries. Building on the foundations of previous editions, the 2025 IPLD Africa Plus programme features a two-week online preparation phase followed by a three-week in-person component. It is designed to deepen participants' understanding of UNIDROIT's work in transnational private law. The curriculum provides in-depth training on UNIDROIT'S key instruments and thematic areas, including: international commercial contracts; private law for agricultural development; instruments on access to credit (including the Cape Town Convention and its Protocols, the UNCITRAL-UNIDROIT Model Law on Warehouse Receipts and the UNIDROIT Model Law on Factoring), protection of cultural property, enforcement of creditors' rights, bank liquidation, digital assets, and legal dimensions of artificial intelligence. It also explores the broader role of private law in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

48. A dedicated section on the UNIDROIT website offers resources and updates, and a LinkedIn Community has been created to support alumni networking and collaboration. UNIDROIT also has an ongoing agreement with the Foundation IES Abroad under which selected international interns help contribute to the programme while gaining valuable experience in legal research.

B. Balkans, Eastern Partnership, Central Asia, and the Caucasus

49. As a parallel programme to the IPLD Africa Plus, and drawing from the success of the experience in the African region, a pilot programme targeting countries in the Balkans, Eastern Partnership, Central Asia, and the Caucasus is currently under development for September 2025. This new training course, made possible thanks to the continued support of DGCS-MAECI, draws upon the experience and methodology developed in the context of the IPLD Africa editions. The pilot programme will offer a tailored curriculum adapted to the specificities of the participating regions, combining one week of online preparation and two weeks of in-person seminars in Rome. It will cover key areas such as access to credit, international commercial contracts, private law and agricultural development, civil procedure and enforcement, cultural property, bank insolvency, legal aspects of digital technologies, and sustainable development. Participants will benefit from exposure to leading international and regional experts, with foreseen collaboration from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB). As part of a longterm strategy, it is envisaged that the programme will also include field missions and follow-up activities to multiply its impact in the target countries. The 2025 edition will involve 20 selected professionals from countries including Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. The Call for Applications was launched in April 2025, with the deadline of 10 May 2025.

V. UNIDROIT CHAIR PROGRAMMES AND FELLOWSHIPS

50. The UNIDROIT Joint Chair Programmes aim at bolstering technical knowledge and expertise in certain areas of the Institute's work. Thanks to the collaboration and support of third-party institutions, the Joint Chair Programmes allow the Secretariat to appoint experts for periods of one year or more (depending on the specific Terms of Reference) to provide highly specialised advice for specific projects on the Institute's Work Programme, adding capacity and stability to the Secretariat's workforce. Two Chair Programmes have been implemented so far, as described below.

A. The UNIDROIT-Bank of Italy Chair Programme

51. The UNIDROIT-Bank of Italy Chair Programme aims to facilitate joint research and knowledgesharing on matters of common interest, with a particular focus on UNIDROIT's project on Bank Insolvency. This Programme had a successful first edition in 2021-2022, when the Secretariat hosted an Assistant Professor from the University of Amsterdam. Based on the positive outcome, the Bank of Italy agreed to renew the Programme for a second edition. This allowed the Secretariat to benefit from the assistance of Prof. Iacopo Donati, Professor of Corporate and Insolvency Law at the University of Siena, from November 2023 to November 2024. Prof. Donati attended sessions of the Working Group on Bank Insolvency and contributed to the development of the Chapter on Creditor Hierarchy of the draft Legislative Guide on Bank Liquidation. In addition, Prof. Donati contributed analysis on the treatment of contingent liabilities in bank liquidation proceedings.

B. The UNIDROIT-Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Chair Programme

52. In January 2022, UNIDROIT received a grant from the Directorate General for Development Cooperation of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (DGCS-MAECI) to host a Chair Programme in the field of private law and agricultural development. This Programme, which came to an end in April 2025, involved a senior/mid-career professor/researcher in the development of the UNIDROIT/FAO/IFAD project on Collaborative Legal Structures for Agricultural Enterprises (CLSAE). The Chair holder was expected to assist the Secretariat with comparative research and data collection, as well as with analysis of gender equality in the various collaborative legal forms considered in the CLSAE project (multiparty contracts, cooperatives and companies). In addition, the Chair holder participated in implementation and promotion activities for the other legal guides already developed by UNIDROIT in the field of private law and agricultural development (*e.g.*, Contract Farming and Agricultural Land Investment Contracts).

53. From November 2022 to November 2024, the Secretariat welcomed the first DGCS-MAECI/UNIDROIT Chair holder: Dr Keni Muguongo Kariuki, a Kenyan lawyer and political economist with ten years of experience and a PhD from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) of the University of London. Throughout Dr Kariuki's appointment with the Secretariat, he was actively involved in Working Group sessions and intersessional meetings of the CLSAE project. He also contributed with research regarding the comparative analysis of different legislation, adopted mainly in African countries, regarding agricultural cooperatives and multiparty contracts. Dr Kariuki also represented the Secretariat in a number of consultation events and international seminars. The Secretariat is grateful for all his contributions to the project.

54. Additionally, from February 2024 to April 2025, the Secretariat welcomed Ms Jeannette Tramhel as a Senior Legal Consultant under the DGCS-MAECI/UNIDROIT Chair Programme. As an experienced Canadian lawyer and former senior legal officer of the Organization of the American States, Ms Tramhel's contribution to the development of the CLSAE project was highly appreciated.

C. Academic Fellowship Programme

55. UNIDROIT has historically benefited from direct collaboration with prestigious academics and legal practitioners from all over the world due to its almost centennial history and reputation. Due to its excellent Library, its importance as a research centre, and the opportunity that UNIDROIT offers to participate or observe in the drafting of transnational law instruments, working together with peers from all legal families, the Institute is regarded as an attractive destination for many eminent jurists. In order for UNIDROIT to benefit from their stable link with the Institute and to facilitate their presence at Villa Aldobrandini for research periods or sabbaticals, in 2024 UNIDROIT created the concept of "Academic Fellowships".

56. UNIDROIT Academic Fellows are selected on the basis of the following (adjustable) requirements: (i) be a prestigious academic or legal practitioner with an academic interest; (ii) have proven knowledge of UNIDROIT's instruments, or present a project with a focus on one or more of UNIDROIT's instruments; (iii) undertake academic work in the context of the UNIDROIT Academy; (iv) commit to a minimum of six months and a maximum of three years of work on projects related to the Institute's mandate (renewable based on results); (v) be present in person at Villa Aldobrandini for a minimum period, to be determined on a case by case basis; and (vi) benefit from external funding/support. Academic Fellows can be appointed either directly by UNIDROIT or by its joint centres with partner universities, and may be connected with existing UNIDROIT Academy projects.

57. In September 2024, Prof. Jeffrey Wool, J.D., was appointed as the Institute's first Senior Academic Fellow. Prof. Wool is the Secretary General of the Aviation Working Group. He acts in that capacity on secondment from Watson Farley & Williams LLP, where he is senior global advisor based in their New York and London offices. President of the UNIDROIT Foundation, Prof. Wool is an adjunct professor at Trinity College Dublin School of Law and a distinguished fellow at Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He was professor of global business law at the University of Washington School of Law from 2011 to 2019, co-founding and co-directing its global business law institute and developing and teaching new courses on transnational commercial law, comparative commercial law, and international business compliance. Prof.Wool was a senior research fellow at Harris Manchester College, Oxford, and an affiliate member of the law faculty, University of Oxford from 2011 to 2023. He taught transnational commercial law jointly with Sir Roy Goode at Oxford from 1995 to 1998.

58. His renowned contributions to transnational commercial law, generally, and specifically to the work of UNIDROIT, alongside his many other remarkable professional achievements, made Professor Wool the ideal first appointment under the newly established Fellowship Programme. In his capacity as an UNIDROIT Academic Fellow, Professor Wool is contributing to the work of UNIDROIT in relation to research on the effectivess and implementation of the Cape Town Convention and its Aircraft Protocol, the economic evaluation of international commercial law instruments (as part of the Cape Town Convention Academic Project project), and the Implementation of, and Compliance with, International Commercial Law Treaties Project (as part of the Cape Town Convention Academic Project project). Professor Wool also teaches transnational law (with specific reference to UNIDROIT instruments) in several prominent universities around the world including Sapienza University in Rome, Trinity College in Dublin and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

VI. UNIDROIT LIBRARY

59. Mandated by Article 9 of the UNIDROIT Statute, the UNIDROIT Library has existed since the founding of the Institute in 1926. Over the years, its holdings have increased to over 330,000 volumes and it remains a global benchmark for research on private international law, international commercial law and comparative law. With limited personnel and resources, the Library staff manages to maintain and expand print and digital holdings and facilitate the work of the numerous scholars, interns and visitors who come to engage in research at UNIDROIT, including by cultivating a

profoundly multilingual online catalogue that links related sources across the extremely diverse languages among the Library's holdings – a true embodiment of the spirit of harmonisation behind the founding of UNIDROIT itself. The following sections provide an update on various aspects of the management of the UNIDROIT Library since the last session of the Governing Council.

A. Interlibrary cooperation and networking

60. In 2024, the UNIDROIT Library continued to strengthen its tradition of interlibrary cooperation and networking. Notably, a cooperation agreement was entered into with the Law Library of the University of Oslo (UJUR) in December 2024, and in October 2024, initial steps were taken to create future stable collaboration between UNIDROIT and the Law Library of the University of Cologne (Germany). Special mention is due to the long-standing cooperation with the Library of Sapienza University in Rome (Italy) and the Library of the Max Planck Institute of Foreign Private and Private International Law in Hamburg (Germany).

B. Potential adhesion to the National Library Service of Italy (Servizio Bibliotecario Nazionale, SBN)

61. The National Library Service (SBN) is the consortium of libraries promoted by the Italian Ministry of Culture, coordinated by the Central Institute for the Single Catalogue of Italian Libraries and for Bibliographic Information (*Istituto centrale per il catalogo unico delle biblioteche italiane e per le informazioni bibliografiche*, ICCU). With the goal of promoting interoperability and collaboration, the SBN is comprised of over 7,000 libraries (from national to local, from public to private), all organised into geographic and thematic "poles".

62. Early steps toward SBN membership have been taken on behalf of the UNIDROIT Library during the first quarter of 2025. If the endeavours prove successful, patrons of the Library would benefit not only from access to increased resources through an interoperable "discovery layer" interface, but it would also heighten the visibility of the UNIDROIT Library and – not insignificantly – permit the Library to apply for various national and regional funding for specific projects (which would not otherwise be available).

C. Managing the Library environment

63. In the coming months, routine periodicial professional deep cleaning and sanitisation are set to be carried out throughout the Library's extensive stacks and other infrastructure. This heavy-duty operation – or rather, a series of operations targeting dust, mould, fungal spores, and woodworms – is essential for prolonging the life of the precious volumes in its collections, which are subject to gradual (and sometimes even precipitous) degradation in any environment, and the unique conditions of historical buildings such as ours pose further challenges.

D. Collection development and donations

64. Unrelenting increases in the price of publications, for both print and online sources, continue to hamper the Library's collection development. Nevertheless, in 2024, the Library's holdings increased by 1,100 titles, plus a database containing more than 4,000 e-books. Of the 1,100 individual titles, 309 were purchased outright, 142 were received on an exchange basis, and 649 were received as a donation (including 181 of which from a generous 2022 donation of the Dutch Foundation "Largesse" through the UNIDROIT Foundation). Furthermore, in the first months of 2025, further 552 titles were received by donation.

65. As in previous years, the Library received donations in kind from several institutions and individuals. In particular, the Max Planck Institute of Foreign Private and Private International Law in Hamburg donated 365 volumes from the estate of the late Prof. Jürgen Basedow, spanning 135

volumes in 2024 and 230 in the early months of 2025. These volumes, published by the Max Planck Institute, are mainly focused on the subject of commercial and international law and economics. The Institute would like to once again reiterate its gratitude for the long-term cooperation and support.

66. Furthermore, thanks to the efforts of Principal Legal Officer Prof. Meiling Huang, the Library received 82 law books written by preeminent academics from across Asia. Prof. Huang arranged for the donation of law books under the framework of the newly-founded Asian Transnational Commercial Law Centre (ATLC). The books have been catalogued and are now available for the perusal of the manifold visitors to the UNIDROIT Library hailing from Asia (and beyond).

67. The Institute also expresses its gratitude to the numerous researchers and other visitors who have provided the Library with copies of their publications. Donations resulted in over EUR 68,000 worth of acquisitions for the Library's holdings in 2024 alone.

E. Online catalogue and continuing digitisation project

68. In 2024 and 2025, work has continued on the upgrade of the Library's list of law reviews, and scanned articles have continued to be added to the Library's online collection. The links to those publications are included in the relevant bibliographic data sheets in the online catalogue. Over 250 journals are now available from the Library's online catalogue. In addition, a large number of references to articles available from external databases (to which the UNIDROIT Library is subscribed) have been added to the Library's online catalogue.

69. Additionally, work has continued to progress on the Library's digitisation project. Priority has been given to the digitisation of the collection on comparative law and unification of law, as well as to the "Miscellanea" section. Through the very fruitful training programme from "Cooperazione HELP" (Rome), Mr Riccardo della Fazia has continued to collaborate on the digitisation of the Library's collection, which was increased by a total of 697 newly digitised titles in 2024 (294 of which belonging to "Miscellanea") and another 451 over the first months of 2025.

70. Moreover, in 2024, 1,971 indexes from the Cordero Collection were scanned – a critical step in cataloguing and facilitating access thereto. In the first months of 2025, 81 further Cordero indexes were added to the digital collection.

VII. UNIDROIT SCHOLARSHIP, INTERNSHIP AND RESEARCH PROGRAMME

71. UNIDROIT'S Scholarship, Internship and Research Programme (USIRP) is one of the Institute's most important tools for promoting UNIDROIT'S work and related research in the fields of international private law, international commercial law and comparative law. Each year, the programme brings a large number of academics, researchers and law students to the seat of UNIDROIT in Rome – and engages them remotely, occasionally – to undertake scholarship, internship and research opportunities related to UNIDROIT instruments and projects. Participants in the programme are selected through a robust and competitive selection process. Successful scholarship candidates are invited to undertake two-month research stays in the UNIDROIT Library, and successful internship candidates are invited to undertake three-month internships with the UNIDROIT Secretariat. Participants are provided with modest stipends (EUR 1,500 per month for scholars, EUR 1,000 per month for interns) during their time in Rome. Additionally, each year the Institute selects one outstanding scholar to undertake the prestigious six-to-nine-month "Sir Roy Goode Scholarship".

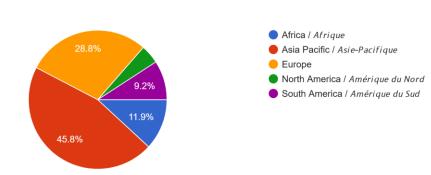
72. The USIRP has been entirely funded by voluntary extra-budgetary contributions since 2014, relying exclusively on the generosity of Programme sponsors, including the UNIDROIT Asian Transnational Law Centre (ATLC), the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China (MOFCOM), Members of the Governing Council, the UNIDROIT Alumni Association, the United Rule of Law Appeal (UROLA), and the Madruga BTW law firm (Brazil). The long-term goal of the Programme

is to provide funding to all accepted applicants; however, due to limited resources, currently only a limited percentage of applicants receive research scholarships or internship stipends.

73. For the 2024 Programme, UNIDROIT received a total of 244 internship applications and 165 scholarship applications. During 2024, the Institute welcomed 151 participants in the Scholarship, Internship and Research Programme. Specifically, UNIDROIT welcomed 54 interns and 38 scholars from 28 countries. Of the 54 interns, 8 were granted stipends for the duration of their internships. Of the 38 scholars, 15 were granted stipends for the period of their research. Additionally, 59 researchers from 22 countries undertook research stays in the UNIDROIT Library. In addition, Ms Başak Başoğlu Kapanci (Associate Professor, Pîrî Reis University, Istanbul) was selected from a field of 30 candidates as the 2024 Sir Roy Goode Scholar, and successfully conducted her work mostly in the area of verified carbon credits. For further details regarding the Programme and its beneficiaries in 2024, see the 2024 UNIDROIT Scholarship and Internship Programme Implementation Report.

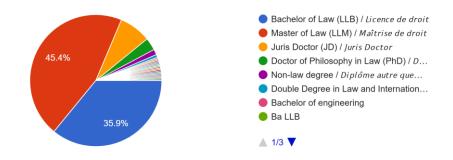
74. For the 2025 Programme, UNIDROIT received a record total of 295 internship applications, 162 scholarship applications and 30 Sir Roy Goode Scholarship applications. A statistical summary of the gender, nationality, qualifications and areas of research is included below. Applications were received from around the world, with a majority of applications coming from female applicants with at least an LLM qualification wanting to undertake research or work on UNIDROIT projects in the fields of (i) international commercial contracts, and (ii) law and technology. Mr Joseph Chu (PhD Candidate, University of Oxford) was selected from a field of 30 candidates as the 2025 Sir Roy Goode Scholar.

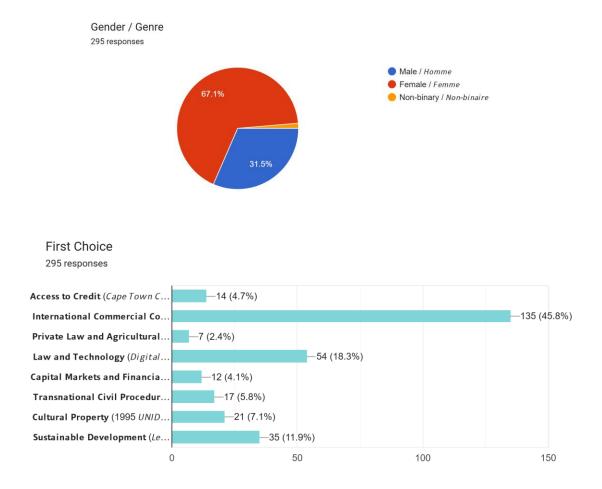
UNIDROIT Internship Applications 2025 – Region, Qualification, Gender and Project Preference



Region of Nationality / Région de nationalité 295 responses

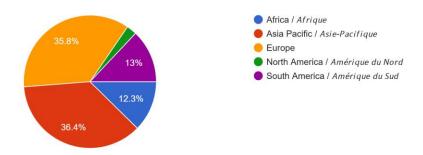
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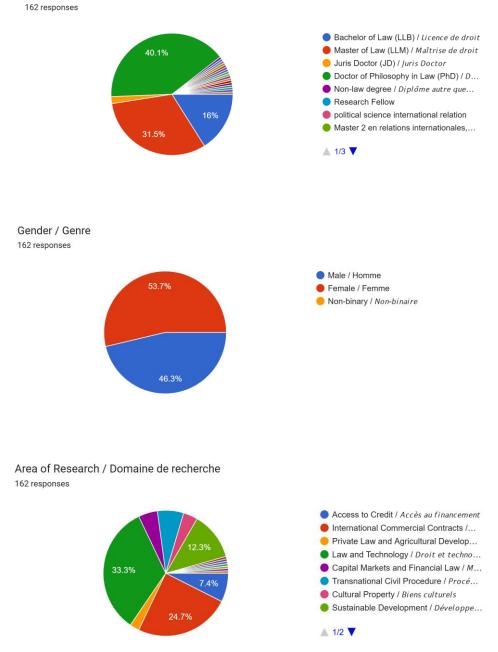




UNIDROIT Scholarship Applications 2025 - Region, Qualification, Gender and Research Area

Region of Nationality / Région de nationalité 162 responses





Highest Academic Qualification (Including ongoing study) / Qualification académique la plus élevée (y compris études en cours)

VIII. COOPERATION WITH ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS

75. The Secretariat has steadily continued to expand its cooperation with various partners, notably academic institutions, since the 103rd session of the Governing Council. Since the last session of the Governing Council, the Institute has signed new cooperation agreements with six universities and other institutions with the aim to enhance collaboration and promote research in the areas of UNIDROIT's mandate. The agreements facilitate joint activities, such as co-organising events, research projects, and study programmes, and promote the UNIDROIT Scholarship, Internship and Research Programme. Cooperation agreements often include a competitive selection process for interns within the partner institution and may imply full financial coverage of internships by the institution. The

activities undertaken under the framework of such agreements are detailed in the Annual Report 2024 in the section on Cooperation with Academic Institutions.

76. Since the 103rd session of the Governing Council, the Institute has signed cooperation agreements with the following institutions:

- Universidad Externado, Colombia, on 7 October 2024;
- Universidad Austral Buenos Aires, Argentina, on 15 October 2024;
- Tsinghua University, China, on 12 November 2024;
- China Scholarship Council (CSC) on 25 November 2024;
- The Faculty of Law of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel, on 21 January 2025; and
- The Union University School of Law (UUSL), Belgrade, Serbia, on 30 January 2025.

77. In addition to these agreements, the Secretariat has been actively engaging with other academic institutions to explore further opportunities for collaboration. These efforts are aimed at expanding partnerships, providing additional support for research and academic programmes, and creating more opportunities for students, researchers, and professionals to engage with UNIDROIT's work.

78. Moreover, the Institute is continuously seeking to strengthen its existing partnerships by identifying new areas of cooperation and ensuring that the agreements are effectively implemented. The Secretariat is committed to maintaining a high level of communication and collaboration with its partners to ensure the success of joint activities.

79. Overall, the expanded cooperation with academic institutions and other partners is a testament to UNIDROIT's commitment to promoting research and education in its areas of work. By fostering strong partnerships and supporting joint initiatives, UNIDROIT aims to contribute to the advancement of its mandate.

IX. UNIDROIT PUBLICATIONS

A. Uniform Law Review

80. The new online method for submission of articles to the *Uniform Law Review*, their review and treatment (the "ScholarOne" submission system) introduced in 2023 is now fully operative: all authors wishing to submit an article to the *Uniform Law Review* must do so through the ScholarOne portal. It should be noted that Oxford University Press (OUP) intends to transform all their journals into online-only publications, thereby eliminating the paper copies. To meet the need of the Institute to have the *Uniform Law Review* in paper format for the Centenary in 2026, in the negotiations for the renewal of the contract OUP agreed to postpone the transfer of the *Uniform Law Review* onto the online-only platform to 2027.

81. This development will have consequences for the Library, in that all exchange agreements will be discontinued, as the number of free subscriptions to which the Institute is entitled will be reduced.

82. Until the online-only option comes into force, the *Uniform Law Review* will be available for subscription either in print or online (or both), and thereafter only for the online text. Subscription data supplied by OUP indicates that there is a general trend towards online subscriptions. The special arrangement OUP has in place for developing countries, which offers online subscriptions to journals

at lower rates and, in some cases, for free, should be noted, as UNIDROIT does not have the means to reach out to all the developing countries included in that programme.

83. The importance of the *Uniform Law Review* as a source of information on both the Institute and its instruments, as well as on the instruments of other organisations, and the reception of the international private law instruments in the nations that adopt them, cannot be exaggerated. Its importance can also be seen in the increased number of articles submitted freely by the authors, several of which come from authors from Africa. In 2024, 112 articles were submitted through the ScholarOne portal. In addition, a number of articles were submitted directly by regular mail. The authors of those articles that met the publication requirements were asked to be submitted through the portal. In all, 42 articles were rejected. At the time of writing (23 March 2025), 29 articles had been submitted through the portal and 7 rejected.

84. Every year OUP provides statistics on the online consultation of the *Uniform Law Review*. The table relating to the consultation of articles published in the *Uniform Law Review* is reproduced below. The list of the most viewed articles in 2024 confirms the ongoing interest of readers in the UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts:

Top 10 articles with the most full-text views (htm	l – pdf) during t	he last 12 m	onths
Title	Author	Issue published	Views
The law governing international commercial contracts and the actual role of the UNIDROIT Principles	Michael Joachim Bonell	Vol: 23/1, (2018)	5,831
Modernizing and harmonizing international contract law: the CISG and the UNIDROIT Principles continue to provide the best way forward	Michael J. Dennis	Vol: 19/1 (2014)	3,939
Political barriers in the ratification of international commercial law conventions	Johanna Hoekstra	Vol: 26/1 (2021)	1,830
The impact of blockchain technologies and smart contracts on dispute resolution: arbitration and court litigation at the crossroads	Pietro Ortolani	Vol: 24/2 (2019)	1,815
COVID-19 and <i>force majeure</i> clauses: an examination of arbitral tribunal's awards	Ş Esra Kiraz	Vol: 25/4 (2020)	1,732
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The significance of a forum selection agreement as an indicator of the implied choice of law in international contracts: a global comparative perspective	Chukwuma Samuel Adesina Okoli	Pub Date: 2023-08-24	933
The EU financial collateral directive: the distinguishing features of a security financial collateral arrangement?	Obiora Ezike	Vol: 27/3 (2022)	863

B. Monographs

1. Official Commentary on the Cape Town Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment ("Aircraft Commentary") – Revised Fifth Edition

85. In March 2024, UNIDROIT published the revised fifth edition of Professor Sir Roy Goode's Aircraft Commentary to address questions that had continued to arise following the publication of the fifth edition in 2022 and the electronic version of the fifth edition in 2023. In addition to incorporating various corrigenda that had come to light, the revised fifth edition features a completely retooled index to render the lengthy tome easier to navigate for the reader. An electronic version of the revised fifth edition is envisaged for the second half of 2025.

2. Official Commentary on the Cape Town Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto Specific to Railway Rolling Stock ("Rail Commentary") – Third Edition

86. In October 2024, UNIDROIT published the third edition of Sir Roy's Rail Commentary. With ten years having elapsed since the publication of the second edition, this third edition is the first since the entry into force of the Rail Protocol on 8 March 2024. This edition notably covers the Rail Registry Regulations, which came into force with the Protocol and introduced the unique and permanently affixed railway vehicle registration system (URVIS), the use of which is compulsory in registering an interest in an item of railway rolling stock.

3. Model Law on Factoring (MLF)

87. In the autumn of 2024, UNIDROIT published revised versions of the *Model Law on Factoring* (MLF) in both English and French to reflect amendments approved by the Governing Council at its 103rd session in May 2024.

4. UNIDROIT-IFAD Legal Guide on Agricultural Land Investment Contracts (ALIC)

88. The French version of the ALIC Guide, *Guide juridique sur les contrats d'investissement en terres agricoles*, was published in February 2025. A launch event is planned for June 2025, in the context of the International Law and Development Programme.

C. Translations

1. UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts

89. The year 2024 saw the addition of the Ukrainian, Vietnamese and Persian (Farsi) translations of the black-letter rules of the UPICC 2016 and the Georgian translation of the UPICC 2010 to the UNIDROIT website. The Secretariat also concluded an agreement for the Georgian translation of the UPICC 2016 in late 2024 and an agreement for the Latvian translation of the UPICC 2016 in early 2025. The Secretariat was also informed that the Arabic translation of the UPICC 2016 was being finalised in early 2025. Finally, the Portuguese translation of the integral version of the UPICC 2016 was completed in 2024 and is pending publication.

2. Model Law on Factoring (MLF)

90. An authorised Turkish translation of the MLF was launched in November 2024, and the Spanish translation of the MLF was published in early 2025. These translations follow the launch of the Chinese translation of the MLF, which was published in the last quarter of 2023.

3. ELI-UNIDROIT Model European Rules of Civil Procedure

91. The Portuguese and Italian translations of the black-letter rules of the *ELI-UNIDROIT Model European Rules of Civil Procedure* were finalised and published for online reference in 2024.

4. UNIDROIT Principles on the Operation of Close-Out Netting Provisions

92. The Chinese translation of the UNIDROIT Principles on the Operation of Close-Out Netting Provisions was published in 2024.

5. UNCITRAL, HCCH and Unidroit Legal Guide to Uniform Instruments in the Area of International Commercial Contracts, with a Focus on Sales

93. The Italian translation of the UNCITRAL, HCCH and UNIDROIT Legal Guide to Uniform Instruments in the Area of International Commercial Contracts, with a Focus on Sales, was launched in October 2024 with a roundtable discussion at the University of Pavia. The Italian translation was published by Giuffrè in open access format.

X. ACTION TO BE TAKEN

94. The Governing Council is invited to take note of the all the Academy activities and to support the Secretariat's initiatives in these fields.

ANNEXE

	PUBLICATIONS' SALES 2015 – 2024 (in EUR)											
TITLE	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts 2016 Rome, UNIDROIT, 2017			5,165.00	2,734.00	1,240.50	292.00	1,108.00	366.00	120.00	240.00		
Principes d'UNIDROIT relatifs aux contrats du commerce international 2016 Rome, UNIDROIT, 2017			240.00		140.00							
Principios UNIDROIT sobre los contratos comerciales internacionales 2016 Roma, UNIDROIT												
UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts 2010 Rome, UNIDROIT	2,168.86	1,954.00	1,579.99									
Principes d'UNIDROIT relatifs aux contrats du commerce international 2010 Rome, UNIDROIT, 2011												
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Space Assets (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2013 (reprinted with corrections 2014)	780.00	700.00	1,120.00	205.00	216.00	216.00	391.00	177.00	315.00	175.00		
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Luxembourg Protocol on Matters Specific to Railway Rolling Stock (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Second edition 2014) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2014	568.00	1,179.00	1,308.00		216.00	315.00	175.00	350.00	420.00	643.33		
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Luxembourg Protocol on Matters Specific to Railway Rolling Stock (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Third edition 2024) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2024										739.50		
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Third edition 2013) (reprinted with corrections 2016) (paper) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2013	14,163.00	22,184.00	8,737.00	7,004.00	[sold out]							

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Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Third edition 2013) (reprinted with corrections 2016) (electronic version) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2017			17,500.00 (USD 20,000.00)	17,500.00 (USD 20,000.00)	17,537.05 (USD 20,000.00)							
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Fourth edition 2019) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2019					79,311.00	7,101.50	3,107.00	227.00				
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Fourth edition 2019) (electronic version) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2020)							20,320.35 (USD 24,960.00)					
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Fifth edition 2022) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2022								39,620.61	11,716.00	1,160.00		
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Fifth edition 2022) (electronic version) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2023)								20,320.35 (USD 24,960.00)	1,350.00 23,054.18 (USD 24,960.00)	2,030.00 22,583.56 (USD 24,960.00)		
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) (Revised Fifth edition 2024) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2024										15,264.18		
Official Commentary on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters Specific to Mining, Agricultural and Construction Equipment (by Professor Sir Roy Goode) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2021							6,395.00	597.40	1,243.20	932.40		

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TITLE	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
Guide to International Master Franchise Arrangements (second edition 2007) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2007	54.00		43.20		54.00			54.00				
Guide sur les Accords internationaux de franchise principale (first edition) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2000												
Guía para los Acuerdos de Franquicia Principal Internacional (first edition) Rome, UNIDROIT, 2005												
UNIDROIT/FAO/IFAD Legal Guide on Contract Farming Rome, UNIDROIT, 2015	280.00	471.00	22.00		28.00							
Guide juridique sur l'agriculture contractuelle UNIDROIT/FAO/FIDA Rome, UNIDROIT, 2015												
Guía jurídica sobre agricultura por contrato UNIDROIT/FAO/FIDA Rome, UNIDROIT, 2017												
Legal Guide on Agricultural Land Investment Contract UNIDROIT/IFAD Rome, UNIDROIT, 2021							FRI	FREELY AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE				
Guide juridique sur les contrats d'investissement en terres agricoles UNIDROIT/IFAD Rome, UNIDROIT, 2024										FREELY AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE		
ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF DIPLOMATI	C CONFERI	INCES	<u> </u>		1	1						
Acts and Proceedings of the Diplomatic Conference for the adoption of the draft UNIDROIT Convention on Agency in the International Sale of Goods, February 1983, Geneva Rome, UNIDROIT, Uniform Law Review 1983/I-II				FR	EELY AVAILABLE	ON THE WEBSI	ITE					
Actes de la Conférence diplomatique pour l'adoption du projet d'UNIDROIT de Convention sur la représentation en matière de vente internationale de marchandises, février 1983, Genève Rome, UNIDROIT, Revue de droit uniforme 1983/I-II				FRI	EELY AVAILABLE	ON THE WEBSI	TE					
Acts and Proceedings of the Diplomatic Conference for the adoption of the draft UNIDROIT Conventions on International Factoring and International Financial Leasing, May 1988, Ottawa Rome, UNIDROIT, 1991				FR	EELY AVAILABLE	ON THE WEBSI	TE					

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Actes de la Conférence diplomatique pour l'adoption des projets de Conventions d'UNIDROIT sur l'affacturage international et sur le crédit-bail international, mai 1988, Ottawa Rome, UNIDROIT, 1991	FREELY AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE											
Acts and Proceedings of the Diplomatic Conference for the adoption of the draft UNIDROIT Convention on the International Return of Stolen or Illegally Exported Cultural Objects, June 1995, Rome Rome, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri, Dipartimento per l'informazione e l'editoria, 1996, xvii+374 pages, soft-bound	FREELY AVAILABLE FROM THE UNIDROIT SECRETARIAT											
Actes de la Conférence diplomatique pour l'adoption du projet de Convention d'UNIDROIT sur le retour international des biens culturels volés ou illicitement exportés, juin 1995, Rome Rome, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri, Dipartimento per l'informazione e l'editoria, 1996, xvii+392 pages, broché	FREELY AVAILABLE FROM THE UNIDROIT SECRETARIAT											
Acts and Proceedings of the Diplomatic Conference to adopt a mobile equipment Convention and an Aircraft Protocol, November 2001, Cape Town Rome, UNIDROIT, 2006				FR	EELY AVAILABLI	E ON THE WEBS	ITE					
ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF CONFERENCE	ES AND O	THER PUE		IS								
International Uniform Law in Practice / Le droit uniforme international dans la pratique. Acts and Proceedings of the 3 rd Congress on Private Law held by the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT), Rome, 7-10 September 1987 Rome, UNIDROIT, 1988		96.00	160.00									
Los Principios de UNIDROIT: ¿ Un Derecho Común para las Américas ? The UNIDROIT Principles: a Common Law of Contracts for the Americas? Actas - Congreso Interamericano / Acts Inter-American Congress / Valencia, Venezuela – 6-9 November 1996 Rome, UNIDROIT, 1998												

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TITLE	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Worldwide Harmonisation of Private Law and Regional Economic Integration. Acts of the Congress to celebrate the 75 th Anniversary of the Founding of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT), Rome, 27-28 September 2002 Rome, UNIDROIT, special issue of the Uniform Law Review 2003-1/2											
Eppur si muove: The Age of Uniform Law. Essays in honour of Michael Joachim Bonell to celebrate his 70 th birthday Rome, UNIDROIT 2016		2,280.00	5,499.00	3,083.50	1,357.00		170.00	384.00			
Alle origini dell'Istituto internazionale per la unificazione del diritto private Rome, UNIDROIT 2023										84.00	
Ricordando Gino Gorla Rome, UNIDROIT 2023										39.00	
UNIDROIT PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE BY	OTHER OR	GANISAT	IONS OR F	UBLISHE	RS						
Official Commentary on the UNIDROIT Convention on Substantive Rules for Intermediated Securities Hideki Kanda, Charles Mooney, Luc Thevenoz, Stephane Beraud, and Thomas Keijser Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2012, 320 pages, 246x171 mm, ISBN 978-0-19-65675-2, Hardback	£ 43.24 (1.4.2015- 30.9.2015)	(£27.13)	52.25 (£46.00) (1.4.2016- 30.9.2017)	29.15 (£26.15) (1.10.2017- 31.3.2018)	48.30 (£ 43.41) (1.10.2018- 31.3.2019)	£31.15 (1.10.2020 -31.3.2021) 32.71 (£27.90) (1.4.2021- 30.9.2021)	31.68 (£24.98) (1.4.2021- 30.9.2021)	£ 43.24 (1.4.2015- 30.9.2015)	31.90 (£27.13) (1.10.2015- 31.3.2016)	28.61 (£24.20)	
Commentaire officiel de la Convention d'UNIDROIT sur les règles matérielles relatives aux titres intermédiés (Convention de Genève sur les titres) Kanda Hideki; Mooney Charles; Thévenoz Luc; Béraud Stéphane; Keijser Thomas Schulthess Verlag, Zürich, 2012, 402 pages, ISBN/ISSN 978-3-7255-6567-2, broché	3.46 (CHF 3.61) (1.4.2014- 31.3.2015)	(CHF 14.04) (1.4.2015- 31.3.2016)	(CHF 3.03) (1.4.2016- 31.3.2017)		(CHF 31.66) (1.4.2019- 31.3.2020)	(CHF 7.20) (1.4.2020- 31.3.2021)	(CHF 31.25) (1.4.2021- 31.3.2022)	3.46 (CHF 3.61) (1.4.2014- 31.3.2015)	(CHF 14.04) (1.4.2015- 31.3.2016)	[TBD]	
ELI-UNIDROIT Model European Rules of Civil Procedure European Law Institute/UNIDROIT Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2021, 337 pages, ISBN 978-0-19-886658-9, Hardback								73.31 (£ 63.31)	[TBD]	[TBD]	

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UNCITRAL, Hague Conference and UNIDROIT Texts on Security Interests United Nations, 2012, 36 pages, soft-bound	FREELY AVAILABLE FROM THE UNIDROIT SECRETARIAT AND ON WEBSITE										
Textes de la CNUDCI, de la Conférence de la Haye et d'UNIDROIT sur les sûretés Nations Unies, 2012, 43 pages, broché		FREELY AVAILABLE FROM THE UNIDROIT SECRETARIAT AND ON WEBSITE									
PERIODICALS											
Uniform Law Review / Revue de droit uniforme (OUP royalties)	7,056.00	8,969.00	6,317.00	6,507.00	7,688.00	8,909.00	8,946.00	8,590.00	8,576.27	[TBD]	
UNIDROIT Proceedings & Papers / Actes & documents d'UNIDROIT				FREELY	VAILABLE ON T		WEBSITE				