

# International School of Nuclear Law





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## Foreword

It is hard to remember that a programme with over 1 000 alumni from more than 100 different countries began as an experiment between our two organisations almost two decades ago. But now, the two-week International School of Nuclear Law (ISNL) in Montpellier has become an institution. Over the course of the past twenty years, this “summer school” in international nuclear law founded by Mr Patrick Reyners (former Head of Legal Affairs at the OECD Nuclear Energy Agency – NEA) and Mr Pierre Bringuier (formerly Professor at the University of Montpellier – UM) has solidified into the only continuous university programme in international nuclear law.

The ISNL owes this world class success to many individuals over the years. What started as a professional collaboration between friends has been sustained by the commitment of their successors at the NEA and UM. Countless individuals in Paris and in Montpellier have worked behind the scenes for years to ensure a flawless two-week programme. The team in charge of organising the ISNL every year makes it all look effortless, but we know it is anything but easy. We should be grateful for all they do and all they have done.

The ISNL commitment extends far beyond the borders of our two institutions and spreads to the other international, regional and national organisations and governments that have supported the ISNL through the years. In this, special mention should be made of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), which sits on our Supervisory Board and routinely provides lecturers as well as grants to an average of 15 participants each year; the European Commission, which helped launch the programme; and the national governments who continue to support the development of their staff by sending them to Montpellier.


In addition, the dedication of the lecturers to the ISNL should be recognised. Each year an average of 27 international experts give up days and in some instances weeks of their time to ensure that the next generation of nuclear professionals receive the education they need to succeed in an ever changing world. We would like to specifically thank the founding lecturers who were so critical to the early success of the programme:

- André Bouquet
- Odette Jankowitsch-Prevor
- Edward Lazo
- Quentin Michel
- Norbert Pelzer
- Sebastiaan Reitsma
- Laura Rockwood
- Julia Schwartz
- Carlton Stoiber
- Wolfram Tonhauser

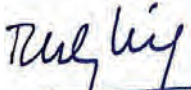
The participants are, of course, the heart of the programme. Each year, between 55 and 60 new people bring their own experience, expertise and personality to Montpellier, making each session different from the last. Their collective energy and enthusiasm is what makes the ISNL experience so unique.

Together, you have given us all big shoes to fill and without you, the ISNL reputation for excellence would not be what it is today. So, to all who have come in the past, we say thank you; and to all who may come in the future, we hope to not only meet but exceed your expectations for this programme.



  
Mr William D. Magwood, IV  
Director General  
Nuclear Energy Agency  
Boulogne-Billancourt, France





Mr Philippe Augé  
President  
University of Montpellier  
Montpellier, France

## Avant-propos

Il est difficile de croire qu'un programme qui compte aujourd'hui plus de 1 000 auditeurs issus de plus de 100 pays différents n'était au départ, il y a près de vingt ans, qu'une simple expérience entre nos deux organisations. Le programme de deux semaines de l'École internationale de droit nucléaire de Montpellier est devenu une institution. Durant ces vingt ans, cette « université d'été » en droit nucléaire international fondée par M. Patrick Reyners (ancien Chef du Bureau des affaires juridiques de l'Agence de l'OCDE pour l'énergie nucléaire – AEN) et M. Pierre Bringuier (ancien professeur de l'université de Montpellier – UM) n'a cessé d'évoluer pour devenir le seul programme de formation continue en droit nucléaire international.

L'EIDN doit ce succès international aux nombreuses personnes qui se sont investies au fil des ans. Ce qui avait débuté comme une collaboration professionnelle entre deux amis a perduré grâce à l'engagement de leurs successeurs à l'AEN et à l'UM. Nombre de personnes à Paris et à Montpellier ont œuvré dans l'ombre pour permettre un déroulement sans faille du programme. L'équipe qui organise l'EIDN chaque année ne laisse pas disparaître ses efforts, mais nous savons que sa tâche est tout sauf aisée. Nous lui sommes reconnaissants pour ce qu'elle a fait et continue de faire.

L'engagement en faveur de l'EIDN s'étend bien au-delà des frontières de nos deux institutions ; il est le fait d'autres organisations nationales, régionales et internationales et d'États qui ont soutenu l'EIDN au fil des ans. Il convient ici de remercier tout spécialement l'Agence internationale de l'énergie atomique (AIEA), qui siège au sein de notre Conseil de perfectionnement, fournit régulièrement des conférenciers et offre des bourses à 15 participants par an, en moyenne ; la Commission européenne, qui nous a aidés à lancer ce programme ; et les États qui continuent de soutenir le développement professionnel de leur personnel en l'envoyant à Montpellier.

Il faut également rendre hommage au dévouement des conférenciers de l'EIDN. Chaque année, ce sont en moyenne 27 experts internationaux qui offrent quelques jours et parfois quelques semaines de leur temps pour s'assurer que la prochaine génération des professionnels du nucléaire bénéficie de l'enseignement qui lui sera nécessaire pour réussir dans un monde en constante mutation. Nous souhaitons remercier tout particulièrement les conférenciers fondateurs, qui ont joué un rôle crucial dans la réussite du programme dès ses premières années :

- André Bouquet
- Odette Jankowitsch-Prevor
- Edward Lazo
- Quentin Michel
- Norbert Pelzer
- Sebastiaan Reitsma
- Laura Rockwood
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Les participants forment, bien sûr, le cœur du programme. Chaque année, entre 55 et 60 personnes apportent leur expérience, leur savoir-faire et leur personnalité à Montpellier, et font de chaque session un événement singulier. Ce sont leur énergie collective et leur enthousiasme qui font de l'EIDN une expérience unique en son genre.

Ensemble, vous nous avez hissés toujours plus haut et, sans vous, la réputation d'excellence de l'EIDN ne serait pas ce qu'elle est. Aussi, à tous ceux qui ont participé par le passé, nous disons merci. Et à tous ceux qui participeront à l'avenir, nous disons que nous espérons non seulement répondre à leurs attentes, mais même les dépasser.



M. William D. Magwood, IV  
Directeur général  
Agence de l'OCDE pour l'énergie nucléaire  
Boulogne-Billancourt, France



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Philippe Augé'.

M. Philippe Augé  
Président  
Université de Montpellier  
Montpellier, France



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# History



## History of the ISNL (2000-2010)

by Patrick Reyners

The plan to set up a school for international nuclear law resulted from the coming together of many positive factors, some owing to circumstances and others to personal encounters. Although the International School of Nuclear Law (ISNL) was officially born in 2000, the story starts much earlier.

### Changes in the 1990s: An opportunity for the NEA

The decade of the 1990s began under most unfavourable auspices following the Chernobyl accident. Nevertheless it provided the OECD Nuclear Energy Agency (NEA) and its (at the time) Legal Affairs Section with the opportunity to redeploy its activities in the nuclear law field – activities which, up until then, were principally dedicated to a programme of studies and of legal publications, and to its role as the guardian of the Paris and Brussels Supplementary Conventions on nuclear third party liability.

The dissolution of the Soviet Union, the emancipation of its former “satellites” and the shocking revelation of the precarious state of nuclear safety in that region led to the mobilisation of an important programme of technical and economic assistance by Western states. In this context, the NEA was invited, notably by the G-7, to contribute to this international effort by helping to reinforce nuclear legislation and to train the staff of nuclear regulatory bodies in these countries. This undertaking took the form of bilateral co-operation, particularly with Russia and Ukraine, or a series of annual training seminars on the various aspects of nuclear law which benefited from the active co-operation of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and the European Commission.

By the end of this series of seminars, in which dozens of future nuclear regulatory officials from Central and Eastern Europe participated, the NEA had acquired substantial expertise in providing training.

### A noticeable absence

It is worth remembering that the end of the 1990s, when the idea of the ISNL was born, nuclear energy was still in a downturn and the trauma following the accident at Chernobyl had not dissipated.

Back then, the inevitable ageing of skilled personnel at nuclear organisations raised concern about its eventual impact on the safety of installations;

although the problem was not of the same nature, this phenomenon was also experienced in connection with the replacement of a generation of lawyers specialised in nuclear law, raising the issue of knowledge transfer in this recent discipline. The International Nuclear Law Association (INLA) held up the flame but was at pains to attract young lawyers. This situation was exacerbated by the fact that education in nuclear law was, even in “active” nuclear countries, practically non-existent. Universities were largely disinterested and nuclear institutions, both public and private, did not have the vocation to fill the gap.

### Intuition and encounters

In spite of these hardly encouraging perspectives, I had the intuition that there was a need to be satisfied, a case of the supply producing the demand principle so dear to economists. What was, at the beginning, no more than an impression had to be tested and shared, and among the colleagues to whom I spoke of the idea, I refer particularly to the members of the INLA Board of Management who, on the occasion of the Congress in Washington, DC in 1999 encouraged me to explore this possibility.

Many encounters would prove to be decisive, first of all those with Katia Boustany and Odette Jankowitsch-Prevor. Professor Katia Boustany, a Lebanese-Canadian with a charismatic personality who taught at the University of Québec, and who was on secondment to the IAEA, was always interested in legal issues relating to advanced technologies. Odette Jankowitsch-Prevor, an Austrian lawyer of European culture, a world citizen and heartfelt supporter of third world countries, was herself at the point of completing an internationally distinguished career at the IAEA in Vienna. They both showed a great deal of enthusiasm for this project, provided me with their advice and promised to co-operate.

For its part, the NEA management agreed to support this doubtful initiative and allowed me to call upon the resources of the Agency. In this respect, I owe a vote of special gratitude to my colleagues at the NEA for their constant support and dedication to this project. I would also pay tribute to Pierre Strohl, former Head of Legal Affairs and subsequently Deputy Director-General of the NEA, who with his usual intellectual curiosity was interested in the idea of the School and committed himself from the beginning as part of the team.

## Why Montpellier?

It had always been obvious to me that the implementation of a teaching programme in nuclear law had to be based – even if led by an international organisation such as the NEA – on the support of an academic institution in order to be fully legitimate. Various possibilities were envisaged during this short “incubation” period, both in France and abroad (notably in Budapest with a Foundation Soros university).

However, it was my encounter with Professor Pierre Bringuier from the University of Montpellier 1 that proved to be decisive. This internationalist was strongly interested in legal issues associated with hazardous activities and thus in nuclear activities. Another quality was his remarkable ability to make the wheels of the university machinery turn and finally, he had the advantage of heading Dideris (now SFC, *Service de formation continue*) the permanent training institute of Montpellier 1 that had experience with “summer universities”.

Dideris and Professor Bringuier offered the location and the necessary logistical support for the future school. One visit convinced me that the future students and lecturers could not but appreciate the charm of this beautiful city, and this impression has never been proved wrong.

During 2000, a decision in principle was taken and the statute of the ISNL was quickly adopted by the University of Montpellier 1. The creation of the ISNL would be accompanied by an agreement concluded in 2002 between the NEA and the President of the University of Montpellier 1 providing the framework for a co-operation that has continued smoothly ever since.

## Establishing the school

In a rather short period of time, the parameters of the school were defined: a two-week intensive introductory programme alternating traditional courses and practical sessions, covering all aspects of nuclear law and taking place every year during the same time period (the last week of August and first week of September). Teaching would be done in English by a small group of lecturers and would focus particularly on international nuclear law. The capacity of the school was fixed at 50 to 60 participants in order to ensure better mentoring.

It is worth noting that these decisions, which were taken in a relative hurry and were partially dictated by practical considerations such as the availability of premises, duration of the course or the use of English only, proved to be so right that the functioning of the school has changed very little over the years. Only the programme has changed, as explained below.



Patrick Reyners, ISNL 2017.

## First session – first experience

The first session, in the summer of 2001, took place on boulevard Henri IV close to the university district, in the *Écusson*, the name by which the citizens of Montpellier call the old city. Even if participants from Eastern Europe were relatively numerous, thanks notably to financial assistance from the European Commission, the 50 participants came from all around the world, giving the school a truly international character. Several members of the IAEA Office of Legal Affairs agreed to come and deliver lectures in their personal capacity, heralding a commitment that would only be enhanced during the years to come. The three “nuclear agencies” were hence present and collaborating right from the first year. Another stroke of luck for the school was that apart from the representatives of these international organisations, other lecturers chosen from among the best experts in the nuclear law world responded to my request positively. Without naming them individually, I would like to pay homage to their talent, their generosity and their loyalty to this project.

Besides the courses, which took place during the intense heat of the Mediterranean summer, a technical visit was organised to the nuclear research centre of Marcoule, and a tradition was inaugurated that would become a must – a visit to cultural sites and vineyards of the region, followed by wine tasting, for many a real discovery.



### The diploma in international nuclear law

The idea that an exam would be a logical extension of this training and would give it credit occurred to the founders of the school very early on in the process. However, for many students it would have been impossible to extend their stay in Montpellier to sit for an exam as they came from far away and were often under time pressure to return to their professional or academic activities. This led to the implementation of a remote, open-book, “take-home exam”, combined with the drafting of a dissertation on a subject of choice and evaluation of the quality of participation during the course. This idea was submitted to the university, which agreed to create an official diploma in international nuclear law.

The diploma process was put on trial for the first time following the summer session in 2003, and since that time an increasing number of students opt for this challenge, attesting to its validity.

### The adjustment to change: A necessity

Over the years, the school has enjoyed an ever increasing success, taking advantage of “word of mouth” publicity ensured by the students themselves. This success does not, however, take away from the need to evolve both in terms of teaching methods and subject matter. It was in this vein that following the events of September 2001, an important place was reserved for nuclear security issues. Lectures dealing with the impact of environmental laws on the regulation of nuclear activities were also added. In so doing, new lecturers joined the team. Another tradition was established: namely to invite at the end of every session, well-known speakers to talk about interesting and topical subjects in the nuclear world. In the meantime, the school left the old law faculty building and moved to the new university site at Richter to take advantage of enhanced facilities. On the other hand, the tightening of security measures at nuclear sites, linked to the enactment of the plan “Vigipirate”, led to the suspension of the technical visits, hopefully only temporarily. Finally, Professor Pascale Idoux replaced Professor Bringuier in his capacity of Director of the ISNL in 2009.



Patrick Reyners, ISNL 2015.

### Conclusions on the first ten years

It was in 2010 that I entrusted the school to other hands at the NEA, knowing that it had reached its initial objectives. In its first ten years, some 500 students passed through Montpellier, many of whom remain active in the nuclear sector. This was, of course, a source of great satisfaction. The only regret is that the school was, and still is, a victim of its own success since its limited capacity to accommodate participants makes it impossible to satisfy all applicants.

In February 2010, I wrote that I was no less confident about the ISNL’s future success than I was at the outset. My continued involvement with the ISNL since that time has only shown that this statement remains just as true now as it was then.

## History of the ISNL (2010-today)

by Paul Bowden

In his account of the International School of Nuclear Law's (ISNL) first ten years, Patrick Reyners writes modestly about the "intuition" he had in 2000 that there was an unmet demand for the transfer of knowledge to the next generation of nuclear lawyers. There was perhaps more keen foresight than mere intuition. With the uncertainties that the nuclear sector faced in the 1990s, following the Chernobyl accident and during the "dash for gas" as a new major energy source, creating a dedicated space for international learning of nuclear law was also a statement of faith and of continued commitment to the future of nuclear energy.

The ISNL, from its beginning, was unique in that Patrick assembled a group of the world's leading experts in the field of nuclear law – many of whom had framed the laws themselves – to lead the programme in what is really a structured assembly of "master classes". Eighteen years on, this still remains the format and essence of "the Montpellier experience".

It was indeed to several hands, and not just to one, that Patrick entrusted the ISNL after 2010. None but Patrick could have done Montpellier single-handed. The programme thus passed to a team: Julia Schwartz and, successively, Stephen G. Burns and Ximena Vásquez-Maignan, as Heads of the Office of Legal Counsel (OLC) at the OECD Nuclear Energy Agency (NEA); Professor Laurence Weil of the University of Montpellier, who succeeded Professor Pasqual Idoux in 2013; and myself as Programme Leader since 2011.

This handover in 2010-2011 also coincided with a perceived change in outlook for the world's nuclear industry, one quite different from that in 2000. There were renewed ambitions for the development of new nuclear generating capacity, both in countries with no existing nuclear power plants and in those countries that had appeared to be moving away from nuclear energy. The face of the sector was changing with new entrants. Major energy suppliers, nationally-based but operating globally, were all taking advantage of electricity market liberalisa-

tion. Some had no previous track record in nuclear but were willing to turn their financial and commercial expertise to nuclear power generation. Nuclear power, since its inception, having been in most countries part of a "state-industrial complex", was beginning to look like a global "public-private finance initiative", with new roles for private sector companies, particularly in emerging markets, as joint venture partners with state-owned utilities and even as new in-country owners and operators. Capital markets, it was hoped, would replace tax payers' dollars as the source of funding for new developments. The title of the keynote speech at the 2010 ISNL session, "Nuclear Law's New Age Concerns", seemed to sum up the new mood.

The ISNL "curriculum" developed progressively during 2012-13 to respond to these circumstances. The whole programme became structured, explicitly and thematically, around the International Atomic Energy Agency's (IAEA) well-known "3-S's": Safety, Security and Safeguards (plus, a fourth "S" – "Special regimes for nuclear third party liability"). This was important messaging for lawyers in all areas of the nuclear sector. The pace and the economics of modern infrastructure development posed questions, if not challenges, for maintaining the absolute aims and standards of safety and security that have been, from the outset, the precepts of nuclear law. At the same time, the content of the ISNL programme was expanded, beyond the core of the international conventions regime, to explore in more detail the ways in which (informed by the expanding body of IAEA principles, standards and guidance) that regime plays out in national laws.

The course also developed to reflect the fact that in the changing sectoral environment, nuclear lawyers, whether corporate counsel or those acting in a regulatory role, could no longer advise on security and safeguards without also understanding trends in international trade and intellectual property law. Assisting in the implementation of Basic Safety Standards now also called for an appreciation of modern procurement and contracting practices. Without disturbing the central and "classic" core of the programme, it has been adapted to explain and debate these connections, notably in a presentation, first introduced at the end of the programme in 2011, on nuclear project development and contracting.

*One of my best memories is Paul's "good morning", always with a smile despite the heat or tiredness.*

– Ms Mariana Reina (Argentina),  
ISNL class of 2012



Paul Bowden, ISNL 2016.



Paul Bowden, ISNL 2016.

It is always a challenge to reflect events and changing circumstances to ensure that each session of the ISNL is salient and helpful to the participants. The programme's movement to engage with legal questions arising from new nuclear development coincided with what has become, in some ways, its counterpoint: the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant accident in 2011. The ISNL programme that year was reoriented on short notice to respond to the events at Fukushima, including a

lengthy panel session on the second day of the course to debate the potential legal implications. In the following years, Fukushima has become a theme running through the programme in lectures on the health risks and international radiological protection standards; in an exploration of the impacts of nuclear accidents on the development of nuclear law; and in an examination of nuclear civil liability in practice.

Similarly, the programme has focused more closely on the legal questions around illicit trafficking and nuclear terrorism and developed new elements on the "legacy" issues of decommissioning and radioactive waste management as well as on the safety and security of radioactive sources. The course has also looked in more detail at "the front end" of the nuclear fuel cycle with a regulatory perspective on uranium and fuel supply. Recognising the new geographic dynamics, the ISNL faculty has, over the past eight years, also expanded with special sessions on the legal and regulatory regimes in India, Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

These developments in the ISNL programme have not, as mentioned, displaced the fundamental elements of the course built around the "great nuclear conventions": the Convention on Nuclear Safety, the Joint Convention, the Convention on Physical Protection, the Non-Proliferation Treaty and the nuclear civil liability conventions. In the key parts of the course, the ISNL has been fortunate over the years to benefit from the leadership of Odette Jankowitsch-Prevor, Norbert Pelzer, Carlton Stoiber and Wolfram Tonhauser to whom generations of students owe their thanks.

*My best memories of the ISNL have to be Paul running around with the microphone trying to match the constant flurry of questions.*

– Ms Nivedita S (Singapore), ISNL class of 2016

The delivery of the programme has undergone changes too, as the content of the course has enlarged. The 2-3-hour case study working group sessions that students from earlier years will remember as a feature of the second week of the programme have been replaced by more plenary sessions and interactive panel discussions. Group preparation has now become a lunchtime and evening activity. The pace, like the times, is probably faster than it was back in 2001. But technology, which barely existed in 2001, helps. Presentations and resources are now available online before the programme starts; these are updated throughout the programme and "the Compendium" (just for itself always a reason to join the ISNL) now runs to four volumes of hard copy and goodness knows how many megabytes online. This is all the result of the innovation and careful work of the NEA's education team. It is a reflection too of the oversight and personal interest in the ISNL by the NEA Director General, Mr William D. Magwood, IV, who has since 2015 been giving the keynote speech at the beginning of the programme.

*Paul Bowden has done a masterful job building a dynamic that engages students and lecturers in exploring the various aspects of nuclear law.*

– Mr Stephen G. Burns (United States), ISNL lecturer 2010-2018

Unlike Patrick, I hesitate to write a conclusion in the expectation that the ISNL will be making the same vibrant contribution to nuclear legal learning in another eighteen years, with another Montpellier team as well as another generation of students. But, perhaps I will offer just an interim reflection. There are few teaching organisations that have welcomed and engaged a relatively small cohort of students (Montpellier numbers have remained at around 60) but who have, year on year, come together from more than 30 countries with a common purpose. There are probably even fewer that have, over time, taught several hundred specialist professionals, of whom so many have gone on to be not just "the next generation in their field", but leaders of that generation.





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# Management



## Nuclear Energy Agency

The OECD Nuclear Energy Agency (NEA) was established on 1 February 1958. Current NEA membership consists of 33 countries: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Korea, Romania, Russia, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States. The European Commission and the International Atomic Energy Agency also take part in the work of the Agency.



The mission of the NEA is:

- to assist its member countries in maintaining and further developing, through international co-operation, the scientific, technological and legal bases required for a safe, environmentally sound and economical use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes;
- to provide authoritative assessments and to forge common understandings on key issues as input to government decisions on nuclear energy policy and to broader OECD analyses in areas such as energy and the sustainable development of low-carbon economies.



OECD – Boulogne.

Specific areas of competence of the NEA include the safety and regulation of nuclear activities, radioactive waste management, radiological protection, nuclear science, economic and technical analyses of the nuclear fuel cycle, nuclear law and liability, and public information. The NEA Data Bank provides nuclear data and computer program services for participating countries.

## University of Montpellier

The University of Montpellier (UM) is a direct descendant of the very first university established in 12<sup>th</sup> century Montpellier that offered courses in medicine and law.



University of Montpellier.

Today, UM is a multidisciplinary university, comprised of nine faculties, six institutes and two schools that offer broad and diverse opportunities for teaching, learning, research and development. The over 47 000 students attending UM have the opportunity to choose from a broad range of course options that have been designed to prepare them for the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

UM also offers Master Degrees in two areas:

- Law, Economics, Management
- Science, Technology, Health

UM offers Bachelor Degrees in three areas:

- Law, Economics, Management
- Science, Technology, Health
- Exercise and Sports Science and Technology

In addition to these degree programmes, UM offers post-graduate education and training through the permanent training institute SFC (*Service de formation continue*). The SFC of the University of Montpellier is also responsible for administering the International School of Nuclear Law with the NEA.



University of Montpellier.

## ISNL Supervisory Board

The ISNL Supervisory Board provides overall direction and strategy to the NEA and UM for the implementation of the ISNL. The Supervisory Board is composed of well-respected professionals from around the world and meets in person at least once a year to discuss past, present and future planning for the ISNL.

### Current membership of the Supervisory Board

Name	Organisation	Country of origin
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Bram Brands	European Commission	Belgium
Pierre Bringuier	University of Montpellier 1	France
Stephen G. Burns	NEA	United States
Peter Cameron	University of Dundee	United Kingdom
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# **Spirit of Montpellier**





## Spirit of Montpellier

by Julia Schwartz

The International School of Nuclear Law (ISNL) is, first and foremost, a unique opportunity to augment one's knowledge of international nuclear law in a congenial and stimulating environment. It is a one-of-a-kind programme that covers all aspects of the subject, including the scientific elements that are necessary for an understanding and appreciation of the risks involved in the use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes.

Apart from the impressive scope of the curriculum, the ISNL owes its enormous success to the remarkable expertise of the many lecturers who come from far and wide to dedicate their time, energy and especially their enthusiasm to "teaching" their particular specialty, whether that be radiological protection, nuclear safety, regulatory activities, management of radioactive waste, third party nuclear liability, environmental law, international co-operation or any of the numerous other subjects covered during the course.

The ambiance of a university environment is unquestionably an important factor. With its emphasis on research, questioning and debating, the ISNL becomes a real "school", rather than just a classroom in which students take copious notes of what lecturers read from a podium as is often the case with professional seminars. Good co-operation on the part of the programme's sponsors, the Nuclear Energy Agency and the University of Montpellier ensures a quality educational experience.

The ISNL Programme Leader plays an essential role in the interaction between lecturers and participants, ensuring that both from a substantive and practical point of view, all aspects of the topic in question are examined thoroughly and well understood. The opportunity to discuss issues with the Programme Leader as well as with lecturers on a one-to-one basis, both during and after each presentation, contributes to a very positive feeling of involvement on the part of participants. The extensive use of case studies to delve further into a particular subject area encourages students to work together as small teams in their quest for the correct solutions.

One cannot deny, however, that a number of other "external" factors play a very important part in contributing to the ISNL's "spirit". First, the ISNL is held in the beautiful city of Montpellier in the south of France, a treat for anyone who appreciates the physical beauty of the local area. Second, the course is only of two weeks' duration, a time period that most students and professionals can manage to



Julia Schwartz, ISNL 2016.

fit into their busy schedules without too much stress and, in addition, it is held during the late summer when an abundance of sunshine and warm weather puts participants in a relaxed and jovial mood. Third, an interesting social programme is organised each year to enable participants to get to know each other, to bond, as quickly as possible, as well as to take advantage of the many visitor attractions that the Montpellier region has to offer.

Last, but by no means least, the "spirit" of the ISNL emanates from the participants themselves, participants who are carefully selected each year from a large number of applicants, participants who reflect gender equality, age differences, a wide variety of nationalities and numerous professional occupations, ranging from doctoral students to judges, who share their thirst for learning during a brief moment in their careers, but who benefit from that moment forever. This is the "spirit" of the ISNL.



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# **Academics**



## Programme

Almost all activities in the nuclear fuel cycle are subject to a complex set of national and international laws and regulations. The current international legal framework for nuclear energy consists of a variety of binding treaties, conventions, agreements and resolutions supplemented by numerous non-binding codes, guidelines and standards. The ISNL aims to provide participants with a clear and comprehensive understanding of the interrelated national and international, binding and non-binding elements that form the framework for international nuclear law.



Keynote Address by Mr William D. Magwood, IV, ISNL 2016.

To do so, the ISNL addresses all aspects of international nuclear law during its ten-day programme, covering:

- origins and overviews of nuclear law;
- international radiological protection standards;
- nuclear safety, regulation and licensing;
- environmental law and nuclear activities;
- management of spent fuel and radioactive waste;
- transport of nuclear materials and fuel;
- nuclear security: physical protection, illicit trafficking and terrorism;
- non-proliferation and international safeguards for nuclear materials;
- liability, compensation and insurance for nuclear damage; and
- international trade in nuclear materials and equipment.

*I have much appreciated the fact that ISNL opens your mind about all the interrelated aspects of the nuclear law, not only your professional domain of interest. As an engineer involved in nuclear management, I was more interested in the nuclear safety aspects. After the ISNL training, I consider all aspects of nuclear law fascinating!*

– Mr Christophe Depaus (Belgium), ISNL class of 2012

Classes take place on the campus of the University of Montpellier and generally last about eight hours each day, including lunch and coffee breaks. Regardless of a participants' age, everyone is transported back to their "university days" with the long days in class and homework and socialising at night.

*The strange thing about the school is that although it is really intensive and exhausting, you don't want to miss even a little part of it. Every day you learn new stuff from world renowned experts which is something really inspiring.*

– Mr Rahmi Kopar (Turkey),  
ISNL class of 2016

*The best memory is arriving at the venue on the very first day of classes: meeting all the participants, Paul (who somehow already knew everyone and everything about everyone) and other lecturers, getting the books and looking forward to two great weeks.*

– Mrs Alina Gorina (Russia), ISNL class of 2015



Els Reynaers-Kini, ISNL 2016.

Traditional lectures form the backbone of the ISNL, where specialists in each area lecture for one-to-two hours about a particular subject, leaving room for the many important questions from the audience. Even if not every question is answered at that time, many lecturers stay at the ISNL for multiple days. This presents many opportunities for the participants to ask questions and raise issues in more informal settings.

*My best memory of the ISNL is about the Q&A sessions with the ISNL lecturers who were very open to take questions and provided detailed responses and about enthusiastic group discussions for preparation of various case studies.*

– Dr Zoryana Vovchok (Ukraine),  
ISNL class of 2010

*I really appreciated the lectures. They were prepared by top-class specialists, who were not only sharing their knowledge, but were also ready to discuss any questions. The open-mindedness and proficiency of the lecturers was definitely my favourite thing.*

– Ms Emilia Kopec (Poland), ISNL class of 2016



*My best memory is the workshop discussions among the participants. It was quite interesting for me to find that each nation has a different background, and we have to understand what they think in order to solve our problems.*

– Mr Hiroyasu Ueda (Japan),  
ISNL class of 2015

*The best part of the ISNL is without a doubt the working groups that took place in the afternoon. We were required to work together with a common objective, in a foreign language, with different traditions and ways of working. It was sometimes such fun!*

– Ms Eugénie Vial (France),  
ISNL class of 2003

Just as important as the lectures are the panel discussions and case studies. Panel discussions cover broad themes like nuclear safety and liability, compensation and insurance and bring together numerous lecturers to answer questions and reinforce messages. Case studies are designed to provide participants with an in-depth, practical understanding of key conventions and issues. Most case studies involve group work where the class is divided into smaller groups of 6-10 people. Each group is composed of different nationalities, genders, professions and ages to facilitate diverse discussion. New groups are formed for each case study to ensure participants work with as many different people as possible. Active participation for all group members is strongly encouraged and the group presentations often lead to lively discussions among the whole class.

*My favourite parts of the ISNL were the sessions where case studies were presented and discussed. It was such a unique opportunity where opinions, ideas and viewpoints from different perspectives were shared openly and that actually provided an excellent learning experience for all the participants.*

– Ms Eulinia M Valdezco (Philippines), ISNL class of 2007



ISNL 2016.



Nuclear Safety and Environmental Protection Workshop, ISNL 2016.

To ensure that participants arrive with a strong grounding and leave with useful resources, participants are provided with a variety of materials, like:

- compendiums of international legal instruments in the field of nuclear energy;
- international nuclear law glossaries in English, French and Russian;
- a list of resources in nuclear law;
- an ISNL required and recommended reading list;
- historical background material.

*A valuable element about ISNL was the access to the data bank including reading material and documents. I still access them to this date.*

– Mr Akshay Shandilya (India), ISNL class of 2015



Environmental Protection Case Study, ISNL 2015.

## Lecturers

Lectures and case studies are delivered by renowned specialists in nuclear law, particularly from international organisations, government agencies, academic circles and the nuclear industry, including the insurance sector. Since 2001, over 100 different lecturers have taught at the ISNL.

*One of my best memories of the ISNL is the opportunity to meet experts from all kinds of backgrounds: governments, international organisations and the industry, and to learn about numerous aspects of international nuclear law through various lenses.*

– Ms Brunelle Battistella (France), ISNL class of 2017

The following list is just a brief, and by no means inclusive, look at the diversity of backgrounds of ISNL lecturers since 2001:

### International Organisations

- Nuclear Energy Agency
- International Atomic Energy Agency
- Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization
- ITER International Fusion Energy Organization
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

### Governments

- Nuclear Regulatory Authority, Argentina
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Austria
- Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission, Canada
- European Commission
- Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Finland
- Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission, France
- National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Environment, Italy
- State Corporation for Atomic Energy “Rosatom”, Russia
- Swedish Nuclear Power Inspectorate, Sweden
- Health and Safety Executive, United Kingdom
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission, United States

*Every lecturer was enthusiastic and inspired by the industry making the students want to become a part of this professional community.*

– Ms Natalia Artamonova (Russia), ISNL class of 2016

*At the ISNL, we are fortunate to engage with the leading global nuclear legal and technical experts. This is an invaluable opportunity.*

– Ms Peri Lynne Johnson (United States), ISNL lecturer 2012 and 2014-2017

### Nuclear Industry

- Dutch Nuclear Insurance Pool
- Emirates Nuclear Energy Corporation (ENEC)
- ENGIE Electrabel
- International Nuclear Services Ltd (INS)
- Nuclear Risk Insurers Ltd
- Ontario Power Generation Inc. (OPG)
- ORANO (formerly AREVA)
- Swiss Re
- VERTIC

### Universities

- University of Montpellier, France
- University of Liege, Belgium
- University of Göttingen, Germany
- Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey, United States
- University College London, United Kingdom
- Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary

### Law Firms

- Freshfields, Bruckhaus Deringer
- CONLAR
- Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP
- Gowling WLG
- MVKini

Number of lecturers per year			
2001	22	2010	23
2002	27	2011	25
2003	23	2012	29
2004	23	2013	31
2005	22	2014	31
2006	21	2015	35
2007	22	2016	33
2008	24	2017	35
2009	23	2018	33
		<b>Average</b>	<b>27</b>

A number of ISNL alumni have since become experts in the field and been invited back in later years to become lecturers. This truly speaks to the success of the programme. Some of these individuals are:

- Mr William Fork, ISNL class of 2004, Lecturer 2013, 2015-2018
- Mr Tamás Barsi, ISNL class of 2005, Lecturer 2008-2009
- Mr Ákos Frank, ISNL class of 2007, Lecturer 2012-2018
- Mr Roland Kobia, ISNL class of 2007, Lecturer 2008-2010
- Ms Godelieve Vandeputte, ISNL class of 2008, Lecturer 2014-2018
- Ms Lisa Tabassi, ISNL class of 2008, Lecturer 2012-2013
- Mr Andreas John Persbo, ISNL class of 2008, Lecturer 2009
- Mr Wolfgang Kilb, ISNL class of 2009, Lecturer 2012-2018
- Mr Jacques Lavoie, ISNL class of 2009, Lecturer 2015-2018
- Ms Sharon Rivera, ISNL class of 2010, Lecturer 2014
- Ms Lisa Thiele, ISNL class of 2010, Lecturer 2012-2018
- Mr Xiaodong Yang, ISNL class of 2015, Lecturer 2018

*I would definitely recommend the ISNL to anyone who is interested in nuclear law. The reason is that you'll get first-hand knowledge on any matter regarding nuclear law. If the topic is Conventions, you have someone who actually wrote the Conventions. If the topic is Regulators, you have the USNRC Commissioner as your lecturer. If it's about the Operator, you have the operator. The transfer of this first-hand experience is something you can't find at postgraduate level University programmes.*

– Mr Rahmi Kopar (Turkey), ISNL class of 2016

“The 2010 session of the ISNL, in which I was an enthusiastic participant, marked an important 10-year milestone in the programme’s evolution. Since that time, I am pleased to know first-hand, that the ISNL’s evolution has continued, marked both by continuity in the calibre of the comprehensive international nuclear law programme, as well as by its responsiveness to real-world developments in the field which spark new discussion and areas to explore together as students, practitioners and professionals. I know this first-hand because since 2012, I have been pleased to take part in the ISNL each year as a lecturer. Having been a participant allows me to be able to integrate my presentation into the rest of the curriculum, and it also gives me a good appreciation of the perspective of a participant. The dynamic nature of the ISNL interactions – participants, organizers and lecturers – is reflective of the learning atmosphere at the ISNL, where we all have something to teach and much to learn, and the ISNL is indeed a new learning experience each year”.

– Ms Lisa Thiele (Canada), ISNL class of 2010, Lecturer 2012-2018



Lisa Thiele, ISNL 2016.



Wolfgang Kilb, ISNL 2015.

“Being a lecturer has brought me enormous joy: the interaction with the younger generation of students and their reactions during (and after) the presentations help to keep my brain active and my thinking alive. Every year, students – and other lecturers – contribute to the further improvement of knowledge transfer with their questions and suggestions. Not once did I present an identical presentation in an identical way! The students’ feedback is a source of inspiration for questioning and improving: Again and again I adapted content and form, i.e. what and how to share with the next generation. Let’s face it: I love the INSL. It’s a yearly highlight in my calendar – and it’s even better as it means going to the South of France in summer”.

– Mr Wolfgang Kilb (Germany), ISNL class of 2009, Lecturer 2012-2018

“I got to the ISNL in 2007 with an NEA grant. I was fascinated to meet lecturers who wrote and negotiated the treaties I was researching at the time. Five years after my Montpellier adventure, having co-developed AREVA’s legal training programmes and the former European Nuclear Energy Leadership Academy, I was invited to return to ISNL as a lecturer to strengthen the private law content of the course. Every year since, I start my lectures welcoming the participants in the ‘nuclear family’ – and try to give them an educational experience they will also never forget”.

– Mr Ákos Frank (Germany), ISNL class of 2007, Lecturer 2012-2018



Ákos Frank, ISNL 2018.

“My first exposure to the distinguished field of international nuclear law came from attending the ISNL course in Montpellier in 2004. We had a remarkable class of students that year, many of whom were lawyers from Europe or serving in their legal capacity at Missions to the IAEA in Vienna. A number of students from that class have gone on to exemplary careers in the nuclear field over the past 14 years. We are indebted to our instructors, including Patrick Reyners, Carl Stoiber, Odette Jankowitsch, Norbert Pelzer, Mark Tetley, and others for their work in developing and maintaining such a wonderful school. Since attending, I have had the great opportunity to practice law as an international nuclear lawyer and provide instruction to the ever-growing network of well-trained ISNL nuclear lawyers. We are fortunate to have this great group of friends and legal colleagues!”.

– Mr William Fork (United States), ISNL class of 2004, Lecturer 2013, 2015-2018.



William Fork, ISNL 2018.



Thank you to all the ISNL lecturers and in particular those who have been with us for many years:

15+ years of lecturing at the ISNL	
Odette Jankowitsch-Prevor	Austria
Quentin Michel	Belgium
Sebastiaan Reitsma	Netherlands
Patrick Reyners	Belgium
Julia Schwartz	Canada
Carlton Stoiber	United States

10+ years of lecturing at the ISNL	
Jorma Aurela	Finland
Sam Emmerechts	Belgium
Walter Gehr	Austria
Abel González	Argentina
Edward Lazo	United States
Norbert Pelzer	Germany
Laura Rockwood	United States
Mark Tetley	United Kingdom
Wolfram Tonhauser	Austria

5+ years of lecturing at the ISNL	
Alec Baer	Switzerland
Stanley Berger	Canada
Marc Beyens	Belgium
André Bouquet	Belgium
Paul Bowden	United Kingdom
Pierre Bringuier	France
Stephen G. Burns	United States
Geradus Dicke	Netherlands
Stephen Evans	United Kingdom
William Fork	United States
Ákos Frank	Germany
Lars Högberg	Sweden
Peri Lynne Johnson	United States
Wolfgang Kilb	Germany
Jacques Percebois	France
Christian Raetzke	Germany
Guenther Schwarz	Germany
Pierre Strohl	France
Lisa Thiele	Canada
Godelieve Vandeputte	Belgium

1-4 years of lecturing at ISNL	
Ahab Abdel-Aziz	Jacques Lavoie
Brian Ahier	Sophie Le Mao
Blanca Andres-Ordax	Jean Lefèvre
Jean-Claude Artus	Bénédicte Lehmann
Luc Baekelandt	Alexey Lokhov
Támas Barsi	William D. Magwood, IV
Maurice Bensadoun	Kamishan Martin
Evelyne Bertel	Hilaire Mansoux
Abdelwahad Biad	Torben Melchior
Katia Boustany	George Moore
Sonya Brander	Stefan Mundigl
Bram Brands	Kimberly Sexton Nick
Marshall Brown	Fabrizio Nocera
Khalil Bukhari	Burçin Okyar
Ron Cameron	Henri Paillère
Nathalie Cornuel	Andreas Persbo
Jean-Leo David	Claudio Pescatore
Cristian de Francia	Johan Rautenbach
Christelle Drillat	Jean-Yves Reculeau
Daniel Einbund	Thérèse Renis
Patrick Faurous	Els Reynaers Kini
Fiona Geoffroy	Peter Riley
Pierre Goldschmidt	Hans Riotte
Laetitia Grammatico-Vidal	Sharon Rivera
Olivido Guzmán López-Ocón	Philippe Sands
Julien Husse	Andrey Shkarbanov
Larry Johnson	Michael Siemann
Tom Jutte	Ionut Suseanu
Carol Kessler	Lisa Tabassi
Stephan Klement	Jean-Louis Tison
Roland Kobia	Florence Touitou-Durand
Danielle Kurpershoek	Ximena Vásquez-Maignan
Christian Kunz	Lourdes Vez Carmona
Michael Kuske	Christer Viktorsson
Gloria Kwong	Xiaodong Yang
Vanda Lamm	

## University Diploma in International Nuclear Law

ISNL participants can apply for a University Diploma (Diplôme d'Université – DU) in International Nuclear Law from the University of Montpellier. ISNL participants who receive financial assistance from either the IAEA or the NEA must apply for the diploma. For all other participants, applying for the diploma is optional. There are no additional fees to apply for or receive the diploma.

*The ISNL and the work towards obtaining the diploma allowed me to excel in my profession and led to greater opportunities such as becoming the General Counsel for the Emirates Nuclear Energy Corporation in 2014. The ISNL greatly helped me in my current responsibilities by increasing my awareness and knowledge of the utmost importance for every country involved in the development of nuclear energy to ensure that nuclear safety, safeguards and non-proliferation measures are taken into consideration in the complex world that we live in.*

– Mr Jacques Lavoie (Canada), ISNL class of 2009,  
Lecturer 2015-2018

Diploma candidates must complete the following requirements to be considered for the University diploma:

- active class and case study participation during the 10-day ISNL course in Montpellier (10 points);
- successful completion of a 2.5 hour multiple choice test, completed during a two-week period after the conclusion of the ISNL (60 points);
- submission of a written dissertation of publishable quality on a topic relevant to international nuclear law (90 points).

The best dissertations may be selected for publication in the NEA *Nuclear Law Bulletin*.

Although the classes take place in English, candidates may complete the multiple choice test and the dissertation in English or French.

To be considered for the University Diploma, candidates must receive:

- a minimum of 80 points out of 160;
- at least 45 points out of 90 on the dissertation.

Since first being offered in 2003, 517 participants have been awarded the University Diploma in International Nuclear Law.

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2004	36
2005	28
2006	31
2007	34
2008	29
2009	28
2010	40
2011	24
2012	43
2013	41
2014	38
2015	41
2016	36
2017	38
<b>Total</b>	<b>517</b>

## Illustrating nuclear law

Because of the intense nature of the programme and the seriousness of the subject matter, the ISNL participants have enjoyed a bit of levity each day since the beginning of the programme thanks to the hard work of our “Cartoonist in Chief”, Carlton Stoiber. In addition to being an expert in international nuclear law and serving as one of the lead authors

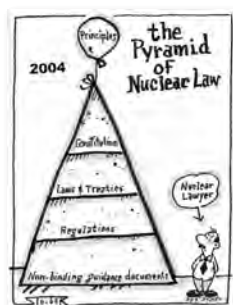
for the IAEA *Handbook on Nuclear Law*, Carlton has also been drawing and publishing cartoons for over 50 years. Carlton sketches thoughtful cartoons throughout each session of the ISNL, which get posted day-by-day throughout the classroom, serving as a visual (and humorous) representation of everything that has been taught.

*The cartoons are a fun touch that helps bring humor to what can be an exhausting day*

– Ms Kimberly Gilligan (United States),  
ISNL class of 2013

*One of my best memories is of cartoons covering the walls.*

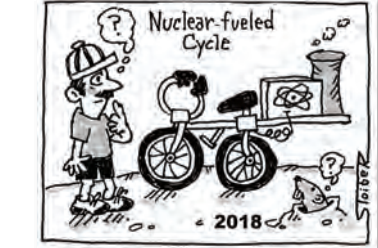
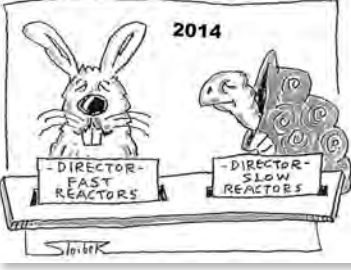
– Mr Haesung Chung (Korea), ISNL class of 2016



*The ISNL was a most successful programme, and I have fond memories of all parts! I also wish to mention especially Carlton's cartoons - I used them to persuade my daughter, who wants to be a cartoonist instead of a lawyer, that it is possible to be both!*

– Mr Xiaodong Yang (United Kingdom), ISNL class of 2015, Lecturer 2018





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# Participants



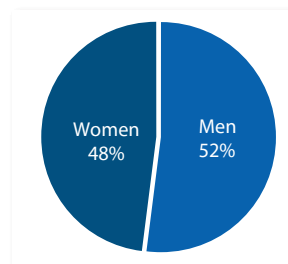
With over 1 000 alumni from 109 different countries, the ISNL has been the central training ground for nuclear lawyers working in both the public and private sectors, as well as scientists, engineers, policymakers, managers and other professionals working in the nuclear field. This has created a strong network of alumni working in government ministries, regulatory bodies, international and regional organisations, academia, and the private sector.

*The ISNL has a variety of participants, with various backgrounds and origins. It is an ideal environment to learn from each other, both at a professional and human level.*

– Mr Sylvain Fanielle (Belgium), ISNL class of 2014

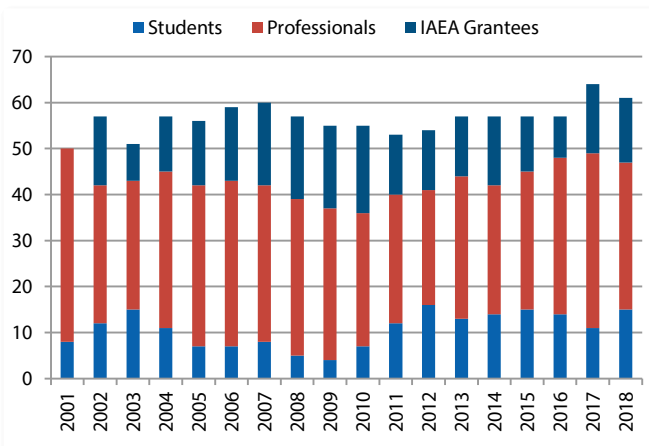
Although course presentations and discussions focus on legal issues, a legal education is not required to participate in the ISNL. Applicants must, however, have an undergraduate university degree in a relevant discipline. Advanced graduate-level education and/or significant professional work experience are also significant factors in the application process.

At each session, the ISNL brings together approximately 60 diverse participants from Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, the Middle East and Oceania, often from over 30 different countries. Generally, 25% of the class is made up of law and PhD students, 50% professionals and 25% grantees supported by the IAEA, which awards financial support to a limited number of professionals from its member states that are eligible for financial support under the IAEA Technical Cooperation Programme. The NEA also awards grants, but to exemplary students from its member countries qualified to participate in the programme.



*The people, both participants and lecturers, made the event as spectacular as it was. As a woman in a technical field, I often feel like a minority. But ISNL's work on gender parity made the event what it was. Having a group of smart, intelligent women to share the event with was amazing.*

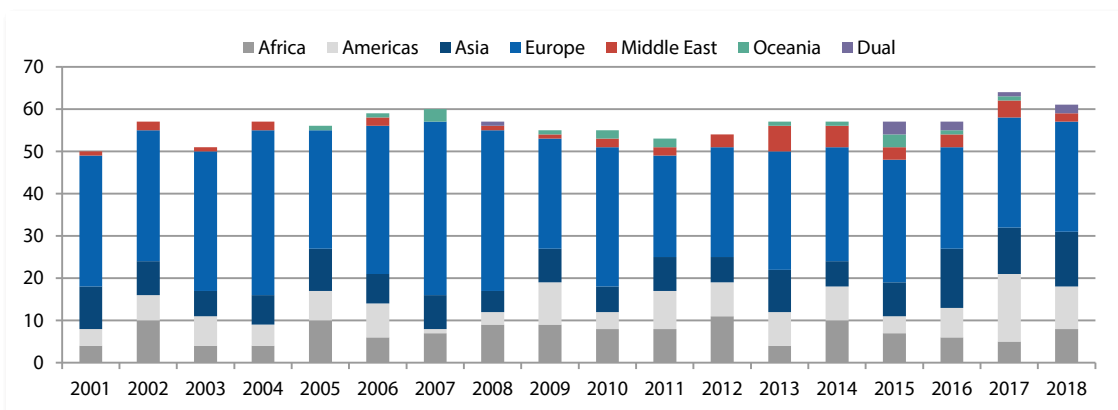
– Dr Allyn Milojevich (United States), ISNL class of 2016



The ISNL has averaged over 140 applications per year for the past 5 years. This means that, unfortunately, at least one out of every two applicants must be turned away. During the selection process, attention is given to a number of factors like geographical and gender diversity, academic background, years of experience, profession, employer and English comprehension. It is not uncommon for individuals to apply more than once and to be admitted after a second (or third) application.

*The ISNL gave me the confidence to participate with other established colleagues from all over the world. There was no discrimination and everyone was treated equally.*

– Ms Najwa Hassan (Malaysia), ISNL class of 2014





## Countries represented (2001-2018)

### Europe

- Austria
- Belarus
- Belgium
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Estonia
- Finland
- Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Moldova
- Montenegro
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Russia
- Serbia
- Slovak Republic
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Ukraine
- United Kingdom

### Americas

- Argentina
- Bolivia
- Brazil
- Canada
- Chile
- Costa Rica
- Cuba
- Dominican Republic
- Guatemala
- Haiti
- Honduras
- Mexico
- Paraguay
- Peru
- United States



### Oceania

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- New Zealand

### Africa

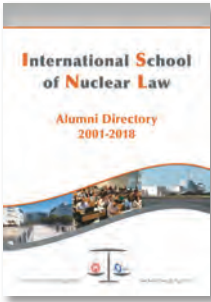
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- Egypt
- Ethiopia
- Gabon
- Ghana
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- Kenya
- Lesotho
- Malawi
- Mali
- Mauritius
- Morocco
- Namibia
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Rwanda
- South Africa
- Sudan
- Tanzania
- Tunisia
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

### Asia

- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- China (People's Rep. of)
- Chinese Taipei
- Georgia
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Israel
- Japan
- Jordan
- Kazakhstan
- Korea
- Lao (People's Rep. of)
- Lebanon
- Malaysia
- Myanmar
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Saudi Arabia
- Singapore
- Sri Lanka
- Syrian Arab Republic
- Thailand
- Turkey
- United Arab Emirates
- Viet Nam
- Yemen



## Alumni network



One of the strengths of the ISNL is that the community does not end with the programme. The relationships that participants make during their two weeks in Montpellier last well beyond their time in the south of France.

In an effort to help maintain these connections, there is an ISNL Alumni LinkedIn Group and an ISNL Alumni Directory. In addition, official and unofficial regional happy hours are organised from time to time to promote continued contacts. Many class years even organise unofficial yearly gatherings to keep their friendships strong.

*The ISNL is a great programme for acquiring thorough knowledge in nuclear law. But that is one of many things that the programme does right. From my point of view, the best part of the programme is that it creates communities by gathering people with similar interests and providing them with the possibility not only to exchange experience, but to establish working relationships.*

– Mr Marin Kuzmanov (Russia), ISNL class of 2016

*I have established lasting relationships with a number of the lecturers and students that go beyond ISNL. When I became a commissioner at the USNRC, I was surprised and pleased to run into many former participants in ISNL in a variety of locations around the world when I was travelling: in New York at the United Nations during the NPT review conference, in Japan, in Paris at the NEA and in Vienna at the IAEA, in Washington, even near a nuclear power plant site in south Texas.*

– Mr Stephen G. Burns (United States),  
ISNL Lecturer 2010-2018

*I am more than happy to say that I met some extraordinary people at the ISNL, some of them even became good friends that you can count on, both for professional and personal matters. You quickly realise that the ISNL family (also called Montpellier club sometimes!) is everywhere especially when it comes to nuclear law.*

– Ms Emma Durand-Poudret (France), ISNL class of 2014

*We meet once a year in Europe. We exchange information on the work we do. I wish we could meet in Africa sometime soon.*

– Mr Spencer Bugingo (Rwanda), ISNL class of 2013

## Career impact

For some participants, attendance at the ISNL is a necessary step to advance to the next stage in their careers. For others, it is a crash course at the start of their professions. Regardless of the reasons a participant has for attending, the ISNL has proven to have great impact on the course of our alumni's careers. Since attending the ISNL, alumni have gone on to become:

- heads of legal departments in national regulators and ministries;
- heads of legal departments in nuclear operating companies;
- heads of legal departments in international organisations;
- heads of unit at the European Commission;
- law firm partners;
- managers/directors in nuclear organisations.



Graduation Ceremony, ISNL 2015.

This impact is best explained by the alumni themselves:

*Attending ISNL has 100% changed the path of my career. 2011 is the year when I fell in love with nuclear law and decided that nuclear energy will become my field of work. I actively looked for a career that would allow me to embrace legal as well as technical concepts of the nuclear fuel cycle. I currently work for the European Commission's Joint Research Centre, a nuclear research laboratory in the field of Nuclear Safety and Security. I have everything to thank to ISNL.*

– Ms Alexandra Van Kalleveen (France), ISNL class of 2011

*The experience gained at the ISNL has impacted the quality of my work at the Nigerian Nuclear Regulatory Authority. It opened me to a whole new world of opportunities.*

– Mr John Adamu (Nigeria), ISNL class of 2008

*Attending the ISNL is a rite of passage for my peers in the organisation I work in.*

– Ms Angela Woodward (New Zealand), ISNL class of 2016

*Having attended ISNL, I have since been co-opted into the country's new nuclear programme. I'm playing an integral part in the setting up of the institutional and regulatory framework. Attending the ISNL has clearly set me apart from my peers. ISNL was absolutely worth the while!*

– Mr Abraham Miti (Zambia), ISNL class of 2016

*I recommended it to everyone at my office because it is an indispensable course for a lawyer working in this sector. It equips one with all the knowledge needed to make a difference and connects one with the best nuclear lawyers this world ever had.*

– Ms Triphine Nyirarukundo (Rwanda), ISNL class of 2018

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# **Social Programme**





The city of Montpellier is as much a part of the ISNL as the participants and lecturers. So much so, in fact, that the ISNL is sometimes just known as “Montpellier”.

The medieval city of Montpellier is located in the Occitanie region in the south of France. Founded over ten centuries ago, the town has a strong university tradition, counting approximately 70 000 students. It hosts the oldest medical school in the Western world, founded in the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Montpellier is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest city in France and has the fastest growing population. There are approximately 280 000 people in the city and 21% of those are students.



Graduation Ceremony, ISNL 2018.

*When I think about my ISNL experience, it is difficult to pick out a favourite memory, for they are all so dear to me. It always makes me smile to reminisce about the dinner hosted at Le Grillardin, it was the perfect amalgamation of diverse cultures from around the world as we all sat together at a table and exchanged travel anecdotes and discussed further opportunities for each other while enjoying delicious food and wine.*

– Ms Aishwarya Saxena (India), ISNL class of 2014

Almost equally as important as the time spent together inside the classroom is the time spent together outside the classroom. The ISNL is unique in its ability to bring together so many people from so many diverse backgrounds all working in a similar field. The ability to socialise in relaxed and informal settings presents unparalleled networking opportunities, in addition to the chance to share experiences, learn about other cultures and better understand the larger interconnected world of nuclear energy.

Because of this, many different formal and informal social events are organised throughout the two-week programme, beginning with an opening social on the Sunday evening before classes begin and ending with a formal graduation ceremony on the final Friday afternoon.



Montpellier City Tour, ISNL 2017.

In between these events, participants may enjoy:

- a welcome reception hosted by the University of Montpellier;
- a guided tour of Montpellier;
- informal “Happy Hour” gatherings at a nearby café;
- a group dinner.



Official group dinner, ISNL 2015.

*There are many great memories of connecting with the other students but one in particular was the group dinner. It was great to sit and share a meal with our lecturers and peers and discuss issues and our lives. I enjoyed having those meaningful conversations in a relaxed setting.*

– Ms Kaitlin Rekola (United States), ISNL class of 2017



In addition, a full day excursion is organised on the middle Saturday to cities and villages in the region, often including a wine tasting at a local vineyard. Since 2001, some of the sites visited have included:

- St. Guilhem le Désert
- Aigues Mortes
- Nîmes
- Arles
- Orange
- Pont du Gard
- Avignon
- Carcassonne

The middle Sunday is generally a “free day” during which participants may explore the region, visit the beaches, or simply relax in town.



Saturday Excursion to St. Guilhem le Désert, ISNL 2011.

*I still remember the visit of the arena in Nîmes. It is a place I have known through books and cinema. It was for me a dream that was realised. We had wonderful moments.*

– Ms Françoise Bassosson Bakoum Ep. Esoual (Cameroon), ISNL class of 2014



Saturday Excursion to Le Domaine du Mas Rouge, ISNL 2007.

*I remember going to the sea after school with many participants as the best memory. Hard work and relaxing times were well mixed in the ISNL.*

– Ms Aki Komatsu (Japan), ISNL class of 2013



Saturday Excursion to Le Domaine Lorigeril, ISNL 2018.

*There were many best memories during the ISNL course, but I think that the guided tour of Montpellier followed by dinner at “le Grillardin” is the best.*

–Mr Riadh Saibi (Tunisia), ISNL class of 2010



Saturday Excursion to Carcassonne, ISNL 2018.

*My best memory is the trip to Carcassonne. Having that out of class experience with colleagues and lecturers brings people together and gives them a chance to get to know one another.*

– Mr. Afonso Lopes de Freitas Dantas (Portugal), ISNL class of 2018

Two weeks is not nearly enough time to experience all that the area has to offer. In addition to the official ISNL social programme, an unofficial social programme always materialises where many of the participants and lecturers together:

- enjoy the sunshine and laid-back atmosphere at the open-air cafes, restaurants and wine bars in the picturesque squares scattered throughout the city centre;
- pack a picnic dinner and head for the beach, only 11 km from city centre via a bike path or public transport;
- spend a Friday evening at Les Estivales eating and drinking with local winemakers, artisans and producers on “L’Espla”, the Esplanade Charles de Gaulle;
- get lost in the winding pedestrian streets of the old town, admiring beautiful centuries-old buildings;
- admire the art in the Fabre Museum, one of the ten best in France;
- stroll in the Jardin des Plantes, built in 1593 it is the oldest botanical garden in France;
- climb to the top of the majestic Arc de Triomphe, built in the 17<sup>th</sup> century in honour of Louis XIV (over 100 years older than the one in Paris);
- stop by the Place de la Comédie, home of the Opera, the Three Graces statue and fountain, restaurants and cafés, and numerous street performers;
- sneak inside one of the over 80 well-hidden private mansions (*hôtels particuliers*);
- watch the sunset over the Saint-Clément Aqueduct at the Place Royale du Peyrou;
- search out the street art, whether bicycles seeming to emerge through concrete walls or beautiful paintings decorating the sides of buildings;
- hop on the train to visit nearby cities like Sète, Narbonne and Carcassonne, or even not so nearby cities like Paris, Barcelona, Cannes and Monaco.



Montpellier city centre.



Montpellier city centre.



Montpellier.



Pont du Gard.





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# **Community**





## The ISNL Experience

Something about the programme bonds the participants together every year. It could be the temperature of the classroom, a freak rainstorm the day before class starts, nights spent out in Montpellier or simply being away from routine jobs and

commitments for two weeks in a sunny and warm Mediterranean climate. Regardless of the reason, 50+ strangers form a tight-knit group during their two weeks together. It is this that forms the backbone of the “spirit of Montpellier”.



Graduation Ceremony, ISNL 2015.

*My best memory is how good I felt during those days in all senses. The atmosphere in Montpellier was simply amazing basically due to the people participating in the course and the excellent organization, besides the location and climate. The students and the lectures were so nice and it was very interesting talking to them and sharing knowledge and experience.*

– Mr David García López (Spain), ISNL class of 2015

*My best memory of the ISNL is the camaraderie amongst all of the participants and the lecturers. It certainly fostered an incredible learning milieu and relationships/networking that lasts well beyond the ISNL 2-week programme.*

– Mr Denis Saumure (Canada), ISNL class of 2014

*What fascinated me most during the training was above all the cultural diversity. We were students coming from almost the four corners of the planet to gather around the topic and share our differences in the field. There were also teachers from different backgrounds and countries who all came to share their knowledge. I also keep good memories of the location of the programme, Montpellier, and its beach. It was magical. Dinners between colleagues, discussions around the operating systems of our various countries of origin, all of this remains unforgettable.*

– Ms Nanou Konditubi (Democratic Republic of the Congo), ISNL class of 2009

*“Every year I still get to learn new things in a very friendly and relaxed setting, while enjoying the south of France atmosphere.”*

– Ximena Vásquez-Maignan (Chile/France), ISNL Lecturer 2015-2018

*I participated in the ISNL 10 years ago, but still I remember it as the most exciting moment in my life, where we, like one family, spent two weeks improving our knowledge of nuclear law and having after school activities in the most beautiful part of Europe.*

– Ms Audinga Galubickiene (Lithuania), ISNL class of 2007

*We have created a good network with people all over the globe, made new friends, learned a lot, got acquainted with experienced lectures and professionals in nuclear field. These two weeks of ISNL as a whole created one of the best memories in my life. It was great experience and opportunity to talk, share our thoughts and discuss them with very experienced lectures. Still keeping amazing Stoiber’s cartoons and keep smiling each time when I take a look at them. Happy that I was a part of ISNL where I met many interesting people and so happy to meet them again during different international meetings, events.*

– Ms Aysel Hasanova (Azerbaijan), ISNL class of 2013

## Reflections on the ISNL

by Carlton Stoiber

Having lectured at all ISNL sessions since the founding of the School in 2001, I feel somewhat qualified to provide a few insights on the significance of the institution.



Nuclear Safety Panel, ISNL 2016.

What strikes me as fundamentally important is that the organisers of the ISNL have taken care to select a body of participants of broad diversity. Not only have participants been drawn from all the world's geographic regions, but they represent a diversity of professional backgrounds and interests: law students, government officials, nuclear industry professionals, academics and others. This not only produces a rich exchange of views during the sessions, but helps ensure that the educational benefits of the ISNL are felt across the nuclear community and beyond.

In my frequent travels on nuclear-related missions around the globe, I very regularly come into contact with Montpellier alumni who are doing important

work – not always directly in the nuclear field – but in many areas of public policy significance. The networking between participants and with lecturers has also contributed to enhanced attention to legal issues and approaches in the nuclear field. And the friendships and personal relationships in what may properly be called “the Montpellier community” have been a great source of satisfaction for me and, I know, many others. We share more than just a couple of weeks in the beautiful and historic French city of Montpellier. We share a vision that law must contribute positively to ensuring that the benefits of nuclear energy and ionising radiation are achieved in a safe, secure and environmentally sound manner.

As the Montpellier community continues to grow and prosper, I look forward to maintaining contact with a group of outstanding individuals who are making a constructive difference in the world.



Carlton Stoiber, ISNL 2016.

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**Yearbook of Participants  
2001-2018**





## 2001 Session



- Nazneen Ara Afsary, Bangladesh
- Alan Aldridge, United Kingdom
- Yoshio Baba, Japan
- Maria Bardina, Russia
- Lenka Budinova, Czech Republic
- Anna Butenko, Russia
- Aurélien Coste, France
- Milena Dimitrova, Bulgaria
- Houcem Eddine Ezzouch, Tunisia
- Betsy Forinash, United States
- Damien Gaillard, France
- Edouard Gevorkyan, Russia
- Wisnu Hadi, Indonesia
- Suyati Hariyanto, Indonesia
- Krisztina Horvath, Hungary
- Hiroshi Isono, Japan
- Arshaluys Karmirmirukyan, Armenia
- Sangwon Kim, Korea
- Youri Kot, Ukraine
- Olivier Lajoinie, France
- Zhaohui Li, China (People's Rep. of)
- Régis Mahieu, France
- Arnaldo Mezrahi, Brazil
- Marília Azevedo Pinheiro Monteiro, Portugal
- Jean-Paul Montmayeul, France
- Rafal Majda, Poland
- Ayman Mohamed Soliman Marei, Egypt
- Revocatus Isesagula Masalu, Tanzania
- Mariano Roman Paez, Argentina
- Leena Katriina Pajo, Finland
- Fernando Pelayo, Spain
- Mario Ivan Pinto Cunille, Mexico
- Volha Piotukh, Belarus
- Svitlana Plachkova, Ukraine
- Martin Pospisil, Slovak Republic
- Biruté Purlienė, Lithuania
- Adel Riahi, Tunisia
- Alexander Sandul, Ukraine
- Emmanuelle Sanz, France
- Igor Sirc, Slovenia
- Una Sprule, Latvia
- Naree Tantasathien, Thailand
- Julie Tavernier, France
- Lyudmila Trenozhnikova, Kazakhstan
- Ionela Ramona Tudorancea, Romania
- Daiga Vilkašte, Latvia
- David Vincent, United Kingdom
- Khin Maung Win, Myanmar
- David Zablocki, France
- Louise Zhang, France

*I made very good friends, and more than 15 years later we are still in touch and sharing information related to our work.*

– Mr Mario Ivan Pinto Cunille (Mexico), ISNL class of 2001



## 2002 Session



- Mindaugas Abraitis, Lithuania
- Ucheoma Agbaroji, Nigeria
- Addel Mohamed Ahmed Ali, Egypt
- Gilles Arbellot du Repaire, France
- Djamila Badaoui, France
- Roula Baho, Syrian Arab Republic
- Maegon Elizabeth Barlow, United States
- Emmanuel Bluet, France
- Edmund Carroll, Ireland
- Caroline Ciuciu, France
- Thibaud Costeplane, France
- Wolfgang Dietze, Germany
- Makungu Dlomu, South Africa
- Bah Auguste Théo Doh-Djanhouny, Côte d'Ivoire
- Ruslan Dubas, Ukraine
- Emmanuel Thierry Ela, Cameroon
- Marie-Dominique Furet, France
- Indra Gunawan, Indonesia
- François Héquet, France
- Awatif Ibrahim, Sudan
- Mihaela Ignat, Romania
- Andrea Irsakova, Slovak Republic
- Mercedes Janssen Cases, Spain
- Georgi Karadzhov, Bulgaria
- Fatih Sukru Kurhan, Turkey
- Ryoko Kusumi, Japan
- Everson Donizete Leao Dos Anjos, Brazil
- Adrian Leyva Olvera, Mexico
- Harriet Lwabi, Uganda
- Thandi Mali, South Africa
- Claes Mårtensson, Sweden
- José R. Martín, Spain
- Vi Nguyen, United States
- Delphine Sieh Nkwi, Cameroon
- Mwijarubi Nyaruba, Tanzania
- Martin Oshof Ogharandukun, Nigeria
- Lada Onichtchik, Russia
- Alison Pearsall, United States
- Mélinda Perera, France
- Georgia Quick, United Kingdom
- Saleh Rezaie Pishrobat, Iran
- Sara Rodriguez Martinez, Spain
- Zhong Jing Ruan, China (People's Rep. of)
- Maria Concepción Ruiz, Spain
- Dwihardjo Rushartono, Indonesia
- Leo Saga, Malaysia
- Isabelle Salamon, France
- Katri Maria Silfverberg, Finland
- Sheila Kaur Singh, Canada
- Luc Sintat Mpouma, Cameroon
- Branka Snoj, Slovenia
- Timur Supataev, Russia
- Albert Tondu, France
- Sophie Uong, United Kingdom
- Aihong Wu, China (People's Rep. of)
- Marc-Gabriel Yana, France
- Zsolt Zombori, Hungary

## 2003 Session



- Zaiella Aissaoui, France
- Julien Babey, France
- Tamara Burjachok, Ukraine
- Jens Bürkle, Germany
- Isabelle Cretenet, France
- Chloée Degros, Belgium
- Michelle Dizon Go, Philippines
- Cristina Dominguez, Argentina
- Yasser Abd EL-Meguid, Egypt
- Tatiana Faizoullina, Russia
- Marcus Fillbrandt, Germany
- Marc Folens, Belgium
- Carlos Gonzalez Campos, Mexico
- Petra Hansmersmann, Germany
- Tufan Hobek, Turkey
- Kazuki Kato, Japan
- Gintautas Klevinskas, Lithuania
- Nagantie Kone, Republic of Mali
- Hidekazu Konishi, Japan
- Darinka Kordelc, Slovenia
- Dariusz LAsocki, Poland
- Muriel Lesage, France
- Maria Lorenzo Sobrado, Spain
- Xiaochun Luo, China (People's Rep. of)
- Jeffrey A. Miller, United States
- Mohamed Nabil, Morocco
- Sara Maciel, Mexico
- Agathe Manceaux Demiau, France
- Arthur Neimoller, United States
- Giovanni Paleologo, Italy
- Andreas Papadimitriou, Greece
- Monika Pieger-Frey, Germany
- Flore Pop, Romania
- Marc Poppe, Germany
- Nuria Prieto Serrano, Spain
- Mike Rayner, Canada
- Laura Rozenberga, Latvia
- Dace Satrovskā, Latvia
- Elina Saunanen, Estonia
- Judith Schenkel, Germany
- Sebastian Seidel, Germany
- Francesca Siniscalchi, Italy
- Lutz Strack, Germany
- Angela Thornhill, United States
- Paul Tuinder, Netherlands
- Eugénie Vial, France
- Jussi Vihanta, Finland
- Xiao Qing Wang, China (People's Rep. of)
- Anthony Wetherall, United Kingdom
- Khalil Yasso, Egypt
- Roland Zeyen, Luxembourg

*My best memory of the ISNL is the good atmosphere with all those enthusiastic and nice people. I remember every dinner and how we enjoyed our time together.*

– Ms Nuria Prieto Serrano (Spain), ISNL class of 2003

## 2004 Session



- Jocelyn Alvarado, Philippines
- Airi Andresson, Estonia
- Ekaterina Arjannikova, Russia
- Sandra Bauser-Poirson, France
- Vlad Chiripus, Romania
- Materneau Chrispin, Haiti
- Ioana Daian, Romania
- Beverly Dale, United States
- Emmanuel De Foucauld, France
- Diane De Galbert, France
- Miguel Nuno De Jesus Oliveira Martins, Portugal
- Diane De Pompignan, France
- Emmanuelle De Pooter, France
- Bruno Demeyere, Belgium
- Chiara Di Battista, Italy
- Vitezslav Duda, Czech Republic
- Patricia Durand, France
- Verena Ehold, Austria
- William Fork, United States
- Georges van Goethem, Belgium
- Radoslav Hanak, Czech Republic
- Minna Hyttinen, Finland
- Maria Iaitskaia, Russia
- Tomas Isenstam, Sweden
- Jyrki Javanainen, Finland
- François Kazadi Kabuya, Democratic Rep. of Congo
- Anne Kempainen, Finland
- Christian Kirchsteiger, Austria
- Lisa Kokaji, Japan
- Marcin Kwas, Poland
- Oksana Kyshko, Ukraine
- Maria Laguna Benitez Serrano, Spain
- Ronen Lahav, Israel
- Alain Le Bihan, France
- David A. Lewis, United Kingdom
- Maximilian Malirsch, Germany
- Simon Mayer, Austria
- Mabrouk Mbarek, Tunisia
- Marina Mishar, Malaysia
- Shuji Mizuta, Japan
- Bogdan-Alexandru Moisii, Romania
- Tim Moore, United States
- Ram Mohan Mulavana Parameswaran, India
- Ernest Mushava, Zimbabwe
- Philippe Pierrard, France
- Jarmila Rácová, Slovak Republic
- Julien Rafaillac, France
- Carlos Raul Romero Gomez, Paraguay
- Christel Rosec, France
- Jean Marie Rousseau, France
- Manabu Sakuma, Japan
- Silke Schäfer, Germany
- Mazyar Shokrani, Iran
- Judit Silye, Hungary
- Iyu Lin Teng, Malaysia
- Eva Thelisson, France

*I made friends with people from India, Japan, South America, Israel, US and various European countries. Totally amazing.*

– Mr Tomas Isenstam (Sweden), ISNL class of 2004



## 2005 Session



- Faridz Gohim Bin Abdullah, Malaysia
- Christel Adamou, France
- Mari Andersin, Finland
- Sophia Angelini, United States
- Valentina Baini, Italy
- Tamás Barsi, Hungary
- Maïlis Benazet, France
- Amélie Bergeron, France
- Shaheed Bhaukaurally, Mauritius
- Peter Brazel, Ireland
- Hugo Briso, Chile
- Nataly Bumüller, Germany
- Welky Lineth Carcamo, Honduras
- Nelly Castilla, France
- Gun Hyun Chang, Korea
- Fateh Chennoufi, Algeria
- Oumarou Chinmoun, Cameroon
- Marina Čojbašić, Republic of Serbia
- Maria Corfanenco, Republic of Moldova
- Viviane Da Silva Simões, Brazil
- Kurt Franck, Belgium
- Alicia García Soto, Chile
- Victoria Gil, Spain
- Paola Giuliani, Italy
- Karuna Gunesh-Balaghee, Mauritius
- Anna Gwiazda, Poland
- Wu Heng, China (People's Rep. of)
- Melissa Holzberger, Australia
- Zuzana Hovadíková, Slovak Republic
- Valentina Ionescu, Romania
- Slobodan Jovanovi, Montenegro
- Chang-Bum Kim, Korea
- Bonginkosi Mfusi, South Africa
- Hamrah Mohd Ali, Malaysia
- Phoïbe Elsie Monale, South Africa
- Nathan Nhlapho, South Africa
- Kazuki Nii, Japan
- Lindie Niklaas, South Africa
- Chang Ho Park, Korea
- João Rodrigues, Portugal
- Tom Ryan, Ireland
- Andrea Sarmentero, Spain
- Pauline Sauze-Laclef, France
- Yvonne Scheiwiller, Switzerland
- Aurélie Schlick, Cameroon
- Tania Schröter, Germany
- Jo Anna Sellen, United States
- Daniela Simionescu, Romania
- Miguel Sousa Ferro, Portugal
- Camilla Steinhoff, Brazil
- Anup Surendranath, India
- Junji Toda, Japan
- François Touchais, France
- Alexey Utenkov, Russia
- Shuji Yoneda, Japan
- Ammar Zaabat, Algeria

## 2006 Session



- Abdulhadi Attah Abdullahi, Nigeria
- Hyung Joon Ahn, Korea
- Ivo Alehno, Latvia
- Paloma Alvarez Hidalgo, Spain
- Cristina Amundarain, Argentina
- Maria-Alexandra Andrei, Romania
- Mark Aronoff, AEA
- Eva Aspe, France
- Elleni Asrat, Ethiopia
- Mohammed Munim Awais, Pakistan
- Maud Baillat, France
- Roxana Banu, Romania
- Pierre-Guillaume Boum Bissai, Cameroon
- Anne Braspennincx, Belgium
- Borut Breznik, Slovenia
- Celia Calderon-Alner, France
- Jaime Casanova, Spain
- Maureen Chagnon, France
- Isabelle Cottin, France
- Dominique Dalmas, France
- Vakhtang Darchiashvili, Georgia
- Emmanouil Dardoufas, Greece
- Pascal Daures, Italy
- Tammy De Wright, Australia
- Delphine Dehasse, Belgium
- Elisaveta Derenkovskaya, Russia
- Maryam Dilmaghani, Canada
- Vincenzo Ferrazzano, Italy
- Stefano Galvan, Italy
- John Haffner, Canada
- Rebecca Harvey, United Kingdom
- Rebecca Hausler, United Kingdom
- Celestin Hitimana, Canada
- Marie-France Ilunga, Democratic Rep. of Congo
- Marius Kambaji Lumu, Democratic Rep. of Congo
- Renata Karaliute, Lithuania
- Stefanos Kardaras, Greece
- Selma Kuş, Germany
- Chunsheng Liu, China (People's Rep. of)
- Jérôme Monet, France
- Ananda Narayanan R., India
- Gregory Newman, Canada
- Simon Oehlmann, Germany
- Yurdagul Onal, Turkey
- Nicola Pippia, Italy
- Stephanie Crescenda Ramushu, South Africa
- Laura Razgute-Povilaviciene, Lithuania
- Christian Rengifo Valdez, Peru
- Anri Analdi Ridwan, Indonesia
- Gregor von Rintelen, Germany
- Velija Sabljic, Bosnia & Herzegovina
- Asif Salahuddin, Pakistan
- Andrius Simkus, Lithuania
- Slavica Skracic, Croatia
- Surachmat, Indonesia
- Kirill Tibenko, Russia
- Engelbrecht von Tiesenhausen, United States
- Alexander Vlasov, Russia
- Xiaofeng Xu, China (People's Rep. of)

*I am very pleased to still be in touch with some of the people I met during the course, which will probably become lifelong relationships.*

– Mr Jaime Casanova (Spain), ISNL class of 2006



## 2007 Session



- Lillian Andama, Uganda
- Amira Arifovic-Harms, Bosnia & Herzegovina
- Noor Fitriah Bakri, Malaysia
- Françoise Berthou, France
- Satyajit Boolell, Mauritius
- Willen Nicolas Bos, Netherlands
- David Neil Burden, Australia
- Florian Cahn, Germany
- Baozhi Cheng, China (People's Rep. of)
- Mihaela Daniela Chiripus, Romania
- Damla Cihan, Turkey
- Iuliana Cormos, Romania
- Elisa Dalle Molle, Italy
- Veerle Dedobbeleer, Belgium
- Marie Sabrina Dhoorah, France
- Julia Helena Dnistrianski, Australia
- Anais Eiden, France
- Bernhard Feichtner, Germany
- Ákos Frank, Germany
- Marco Franza, Italy
- Audinga Galubickiene, Lithuania
- Mónika Ganczer, Hungary
- Biljana Georgievaska, Former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia
- Assaf Grauer Rodoy, Spain
- Maryse Guidoni-Beriel, France
- Jakub Handrlica, Slovak Republic
- Kuniharu Hashida, Japan
- Robert Havel, Sweden
- Fabrizio Iaccarino, Italy
- Gábor Kecskés, Hungary
- Willem Janssens, Belgium
- Bram-Paul Jobse, Netherlands
- Roland Kobia, Azerbaijan
- Kristel Koiv, Estonia
- Laura Kristančič Dešman, Slovenia
- Jeremy Loeliger, Australia
- Maria Lopez Casanova, Argentina
- Greet Maenhout, Italy
- Yash Thomas Mannully, India
- Elena Marinova, Austria
- Santiago Rafael Martinez Iglesias, Spain
- Riccardo Melandri, Italy
- Oskar Franco Melliger, Switzerland
- Masahide Mori, Japan
- Valentin Musaba Malukata, Democratic Rep. of Congo
- Nivashnee Naraindath, South Africa
- Jeremiah Ndombi, Kenya
- Philip O'Keefe, United Kingdom
- David Omom, Kenya
- Jean-Paul Palma, France
- Miodrag Pančeski, Republic of Serbia
- Tzvetelina Panovska, Bulgaria
- Iveta Stehlikova, Slovak Republic
- Bashir Sufyan, Nigeria
- Natapat Tawanyapote, Thailand
- Vincent Thomas, France
- Adorine Toumoun, France
- Eulinia M. Valdezco, Philippines
- Christopher White, United Kingdom
- Mark Zitzmann, Germany

*I shared wonderful moments with some of the colleagues; still today we have a friendship relation and one of them is one of my best friends today.*

– Mr Marco Franza (Italy), ISNL class of 2007

## 2008 Session



- John D. Adamu, Nigeria
- Margaret Ahiadeke, Ghana
- Rachel Alemu, Uganda
- Shonagh Anderson, United Kingdom
- Zafer Ate, Turkey
- Mathieu Aury, France
- Albena Belyanova, Bulgaria
- Stefano Betti, Italy
- Aurore Bosio, France
- H el ene Cadet, France
- St ephane Celestin, Belgium
- Mohamed Kamel Emad Eldin, Egypt
- Yanti Fristikawati, Indonesia
- Issaka Garba Abdou, Niger
- Adriana Maria Gasparini, Brazil
- Karim Hammoud, Finland
- Louise Hansen, Sweden
- Romeo Romain Hounkponou, Benin
- John Kinney, United Kingdom
- Michal Koc, Poland
- Konstantin Kosorukov, Russia
- Blanche Kouassi, C ote d'Ivoire
- Rasa Krazauskiene, Lithuania
- Yulia Lebedeva, Russia
- Ir ene Leger, France
- Dorcus Makosha Lekganyane, South Africa
- Maria Isabel Leon Anes, Brazil
- Grant Lopatriello, Canada
- Nicolas Machiavelo, Mexico
- Eriola Mosko, Albania
- Jo o M arcio Nascimento, Brazil
- Youssef Nasr, Lebanon
- Monika Nauduzaitė, Lithuania
- Francesca Nicoli, Italy
- Jean-Philippe Papin, France
- Zsolt Pataki, Romania
- John Andreas Persbo, Sweden
- Federica Porcellana, Italy
- Rupert Postberg, Germany
- Raluca Raduta, Romania
- Agnija Rasa, Latvia
- Philipp Rodenberg, Germany
- Sara Rodriguez Vieitez, Spain
- Juraj Rovny, Slovak Republic
- Sidonie Royer, France
- Junli Shu, China (People's Rep. of)
- Caroline Cornelia Stolte, Germany
- Lisa Tabassi, United States
- Jenni Rea Johanna Takala, Finland
- Godelieve Vandeputte, Belgium
- Alexis Vasmant, France
- Yu Yang, China (People's Rep. of)
- Jia Yu, China (People's Rep. of)
- Velislava Zhivkova, Bulgaria
- Benjamin Maquestieau, Belgium
- Adamantia Metaxaki, Greece
- Eliwako Mjemah, Tanzania

*The ISNL provides a unique opportunity to mingle and exchange ideas with fellow students coming from the four corners of the world each carrying different academic and professional backgrounds.*

– Mr Karim Hammoud (Finland), ISNL class of 2008

## 2009 Session



- Anthony Tochi Adisianya, Nigeria
- Francesca Andrian, Italy
- Mariana Cristina Arias, Argentina
- Bashillah Baharuddin, Malaysia
- Véronique Berthou, France
- Aurélie Nadia Bilie, Gabon
- Louis-Victor Bril, France
- Jalloul Chelbi, Tunisia
- Amelia Paula Chirte, Romania
- Marie Cletienne, France
- Géraldine Curzi, France
- Venuesiana Dewi, Indonesia
- Hui Duan, China (People's Rep. of)
- Oksana Elkhamri, United States
- Micaela Soledad Figueredo, Argentina
- Michael Fink, United States
- Wessam HIndy, Egypt
- Outi Annika Sofia Hyvärinen, Finland
- Florence Iversenc, France
- Wolfgang Christof Kilb, Germany
- Isabell Christin Koch, Germany
- Hanne Kofstadmoen, Norway
- Nanou Kondi Tubi, Democratic Rep. of the Congo
- Paligwendé Roger Konombo, Burkina Faso
- Laurent Kueny, France
- Jacques Lavoie, Canada
- Pascal Le Normand, France
- Olga Liavas, Australia
- Tomas Liukaitis, Lithuania
- Nannan Lu, China (People's Rep. of)
- Brenda MacKenzie, Canada
- Ryuichiro Matsumura, Japan
- Mehrunnissa Mehdi, CTBTO
- Maria Manuel Meruje, Portugal
- Rachel Lutalo Nsiyona, Uganda
- Chigoziri Oge Nwakanma, Nigeria
- Benjamin Okra, France
- Hakan Oygur, Turkey
- Pierre Perdiguier, France
- Christian Plaschy, Switzerland
- Jean-Baptiste Sanson, France
- Andreas Schefer, Switzerland
- William Bill Schnurr, Canada
- Yvonne Rita Schreiber, Germany
- Gary Sette, France
- Tadasuke Shimizu, Japan
- Karol Pawel Sieczak, Poland
- Maja Stanivukovi, Republic of Serbia
- Fanny Cossette Tonos Paniagua, Dominican Republic
- Günseli Yaşti, Turkey
- Kibru Yilma, Ethiopia
- Esmail Zabiba, Yemen
- Gloria Alejandra Zarate Pérez, Chile
- Karl Philipp Zimmermann, Germany
- Jason Zorn, United States

*I have close friendships that I developed at ISNL that I still maintain today.*

– Mr Jason Zorn (United States), ISNL class of 2009



## 2010 Session



- Ugnė Adomaitytė, Lithuania
- Aseel Al Fadala, Kuwait
- Olivier Allain, France
- Mark Allen, United Kingdom
- Natavan Amirova, Azerbaijan
- Josefina Antelo, Argentina
- Keikura Bangura, Sierra Leone
- Vanja Bogolin, Slovenia
- Maxim Bragin, Russia
- Christian-Jürgen Bühring, Germany
- Ine Declerck, Belgium
- Sonia Drobysz, France
- Eglantine Dufayard, France
- Pierre Fettu, France
- Samuel Flamery, France
- Marie-Christine Forment, France
- Jean Galy, France
- Paulina Malwina Gizowska, Poland
- Miguel González Marcos, Panama
- Simon Hannaford, Australia
- Nicolas Hauw, France
- Raphael James Heffron, Ireland
- Florence Virginia Knauf, United States
- Marko Kravos, Slovenia
- Martin Luthander, Sweden
- Kenya Maeda, Japan
- Samuel Obeng Manteaw, Ghana
- Vongai Mavurayi, Zimbabwe
- Robert Joachim Muner, Austria
- Jon-Marvin Ngirutang, Republic of Palau
- Daniela Nießen, Germany
- Kayo Noguchi, Japan
- Tomasz Robert Nowacki, Poland
- Marie-Louise Olvstam, Sweden
- Sylvain Paile, France
- Sanjin Pandžić, Bosnia & Herzegovina
- Moupo Faith Raboshakga, South Africa
- Mesfin Regassa, Ethiopia
- Sharon Rivera, Philippines
- Agatha Ruffe, France
- Erika Sabová, Sierra Leone
- Riadh Saibi, Tunisia
- Hozumi Mimi Sakamoto, Austria
- Jamil Salau, Nigeria
- Anthony Shadrack, Kenya
- Charlotte Spencer-Smith, United Kingdom
- Branislav Strycek, Slovak Republic
- Lisa Thiele, Canada
- Anthony Mark Thomas, United Kingdom
- Diana Tóth, Hungary
- Zoltán Turbék, Hungary
- Zoryana Vovchok, Ukraine
- Hong Wei, China (People's Rep. of)
- Ali Younes, Lebanon
- Yi Zhang, China (People's Rep. of)

*I still keep in touch with several participants. We often fondly remember both lectures and the extracurricular activities and we even had a few reunions of our small group. I've made friends for life (not only a few more Facebook friends). Go class of 2010!*

– Ms Ugnė Adomaitytė (Lithuania), ISNL class of 2010

## 2011 Session



- Shaima Abu Baker, Jordan
- Funmilayo Aina, Nigeria
- Midiana Ariethia, Indonesia
- Elif Atalay, Turkey
- Andrea Bernaldez, Argentina
- Mikhail Botvinov, Russia
- Mantas Burokas, Lithuania
- Jérôme Davant, France
- David Davies, South Africa
- Elena Detinkina, Russia
- Joseph Doleschal Ridnel, Australia
- Yanming Fan, China (People's Rep. of)
- Shawn Friele, Canada
- Robin Garnett, Canada
- Koji Goto, Japan
- Caterina Gozzi, Italy
- Maria Heitz, Argentina
- Mary Kachale, Malawi
- Benjamin Katzenberg, United States
- Arthur Omondi Koteng, Kenya
- Ken Kuroyanagi, Japan
- Kaan Kuzeyli, Turkey
- Jacek Liegmann, Germany
- Patrick Lynch, United States
- Étienne Mapel Ma Mapel, Cameroon
- Samir Mechken, Tunisia
- Natascia Montanari, Italy
- Laila Muhamad Bostamam, Malaysia
- Teresa Negrini, Germany
- Ronaldo Orlandi Da Silva, Brazil
- Julie Parlange, France
- Maria-Victoria Piedrafita-Carnicer, Spain
- Jessica Poblano Ramírez, Mexico
- Rasa Ptašekaitė, Lithuania
- Maria Ramstedt, Sweden
- Marc Roothoof, Belgium
- Hervé Samzun, France
- Liisa Selvenius-Hurme, Finland
- Scott Spence, New Zealand
- Christophe Sergeant, France
- Gabriela Špacková, Slovakia
- Alexander Spitsin, Russia
- Anna Södersten, Sweden
- Abdel-Fattah Soliman, Egypt
- Hilaire Soulama, Burkina Faso
- Mariya Tsocheva, Bulgaria
- Anna Tyler, France
- Serina Vandegrift, United States
- Alexandra Van Kalleveen, France
- Hélène Vacelet, France
- Jia Wang, China (People's Rep. of)
- Maciej Wójcik, Poland
- Abbas Zulqurnain, Pakistan

*The relationships I made were so strong that I still contact colleagues from my ISNL class and we have even gone far ahead to even attend other trainings and conference together. It created a room for us to share information.*

– Ms Funmilaya Aina (Nigeria), ISNL class of 2011



## 2012 Session



- Olatunde Ajao, Nigeria
- Jonas Amneus, Sweden
- Piotr Andrzejewski, Poland
- Muhammad Oves Anwar, Pakistan
- Jolanta Apolevic, Lithuania
- Ochilo Ayacko, Kenya
- Ghada Ayoub, Lebanon
- Diana Ballestas De Dietrich, United States
- Anne-Yolande Bilala, France
- Anil Bekir Bolme, Turkey
- Stefani Buster, United States
- Christophe Depaus, Belgium
- Ondine Diakhate, France
- Ahmed Taher El Fadly, Egypt
- Rocío Escauriaza Leal, Spain
- Zoe Gastelum, United States
- Mohit Kumar Gupta, India
- Laure Haffner, France
- Pierrick Jaunet, France
- Seoyeong Jeong, Korea
- Karanja Kabage, Kenya
- Michael Kabai, South Africa
- Evangelos Kaldellis, Greece
- Karim Kamel, Egypt
- Delphine Keppens, Belgium
- Atsutake Kitagawa, Japan
- Thi Huong La, Viet Nam
- Matt Lady, United States
- Martin Macášek, Slovak Republic
- Eyad Mahadeen, Jordan
- Jean Mbida, Cameroon
- Takeo Mizutani, Japan
- Lukasz Mlynarkiewicz, Poland
- Vyacheslav Mukhin, Russia
- Philip Mutai, Kenya
- Vania Maria Nogueira Cabral Dos Santos, Brazil
- Emmanuel Nzeh Ikechukwu, Nigeria
- Eddie Omondi, Kenya
- Manuel Pantelias Garces, Greece
- Ewa Pawłowska, Poland
- Sarah Poe, United States
- Jan Prášil, Czech Republic
- Alain Quéré, Switzerland
- Kristina Ramoniene, Lithuania
- Mariana Reina, Argentina
- Julian Rotter, Poland
- Andrey Shkarbanov, Russia
- Thomas Sobrier, France
- Sharon Soliban, Austria
- Alejandro Mart Sueldo, United States
- Maryna Tsukanova, Belgium
- Andreas Woitecki, Germany
- Ruth Weber, Germany
- Zainab Zakari, Nigeria

*I made quite a few relationships that seem to be for life. We meet regularly on different occasions.*

– Mr Łukasz Mlynarkiewicz (Poland), ISNL class of 2012

## 2013 Session



- Sultan Al Haj, United Arab Emirates
- Noora Mohamed Al Murry, United Arab Emirates
- Fortuné Ahoulouma, France
- Fatih Berger Avsar, Turkey
- Sergey Aleshchenkov, Russia
- Kenjiro Aono, Japan
- Sergey Babich, Russia
- Sabbiti Baguma, Uganda
- Yaesmin Balci, Netherlands
- Barbara Bartos-Till, Hungary
- Spencer Bugingo, Rwanda
- Pauline Carrié, France
- Leigh Cash, United States
- Laure Chapotet, France
- Ekaterina Chirkova, Russia
- Hassan Elbahtim, Egypt
- Alberto Fernandez Fernandez, Belgium
- Herkus Gabartas, Lithuania
- Kimberly Gilligan, United States
- Aysel Hasanova, Azerbaijan
- Manuela Hituan, Romania
- Shabbir Hussain, Pakistan
- Vsevolod Igin, Russia
- Laura Jaeger, France
- Elaine Kanasewich, Canada
- John Kickhofel, United States
- Hyuk Kim, Korea
- Aki Komatsu, Japan
- Wesley Kovarik, Canada
- Thorsten Leubert, Germany
- Sebastian Kuhn, Germany
- Jacek Latka, Poland
- Rebecca Lewis, Australia
- Grelia Walkyria Lopez Alvarez, Cuba
- Sorina-Maria Neda, Romania
- Nari Nersisyan, Armenia
- Thi Van Anh Nguyen, Vietnam
- Lesther Antonio Ortega Lemus, Guatemala
- Ximena Lourdes Orellana Bellido, Bolivia
- Ramasukudu Gabriel Pitsoane, South Africa
- Mikhail Rassokhin, Russia
- Luca Ricci, Italy
- Isabelle Robin, France
- Johanna Rutberg, Sweden
- Vaibhav Saxena, India
- Norshafiza Shamsuddin, Malaysia
- Saurabh Sharma, India
- Aki Shinichi, Japan
- Hideki Shiratsuchi, Japan
- Andrey Shlyakhtov, Russia
- Cristina Siserman, Romania
- Beata Sparażyńska, Poland
- Konstantin Stalmakhov, Russia
- John Cochrane Stewart, United Kingdom
- Miyuki Tsuchiya, France
- Hye-Shun Yoon, Korea
- Dominik Zimmermann, Germany

*I'm still meeting and contacting many of the participants, even after four years!*

– Ms Laure Chapotet (France), ISNL class of 2013

## 2014 Session



- Rashed Al Falahi, United Arab Emirates
- Majid Al Fawaz, Saudi Arabia
- Edoardo Agamennone, Italy
- Fahad Alowain, Saudi Arabia
- Adamou Amadou, Niger
- Françoise Bassosson Bakoume Epse Esoual, Cameroon
- Balazs Barsony, Hungary
- Patricia Biachi, Nigeria
- Betty Bonnardel-Azzarell, France
- Pierre Bourdier, France
- Fernando Carvalho Pereira, Brazil
- Zhixiang Chen, China (People's Rep. of)
- Grecia Cosio Flores, United States
- Joris Creemers, Belgium
- Antigone Constantinou, Cyprus
- Emma Durand-Poudret, France
- Romain Duronio, France
- Mariam Essawy, Egypt
- Sylvain Fanielle, Belgium
- Kim Fyhr, Finland
- Frédéric Gatte, France
- Rudolfo Gilmartin Pérez, Spain
- Najwa Hassan, Malaysia
- Keizo Horie, Japan
- Anne Huguet, France
- Kyle Johnson, United States
- Astrid Kalbrenner, Germany
- George Kanapukhin, Russia
- Mathapelo Germina Kanono, Lesotho
- Agnes Katona, Hungary
- Kolos Katona, Hungary
- Catherine Kianji, Kenya
- Rita Kincses, Hungary
- Kirill Kozhevnikov, Russia
- Shaun Kraut, South Africa
- Jeongmin Lee, Korea
- Agnieszka Moldawska, Poland
- Luiz Morena Antunes Filho, Brazil
- Zainab A.B. Muhammad, Nigeria
- Brenda Kudzai Ndinde, Zimbabwe
- Ryusuke Ogata, Japan
- Jan Prachar, Czech Republic
- Martin Reynolds, Australia
- Maria Romanova, Russia
- Denis Saumure, Canada
- Aishwarya Saxena
- Olga Semakula, Uganda
- Maciej M. Sokolowski, Poland
- Can Solakoglu, Turkey
- Milijana Steljic, Serbia
- Janeta Steti, Poland
- Ariane Thürler, Switzerland
- Alexey Tokminov, Russia
- Natalia Tucci Branco, Argentina
- Peter Tzeng, United States
- Jessica White-Horton, United States
- Burcu Zobu, Turkey

*I met very experienced and pleasant people, and I have developed long lasting relationships with them.*  
– Ms Betty Bonnardel Azzarelli (France), ISNL class of 2014



## 2015 Session



- Iftekhar Ahmed, Pakistan
- Courtney Ames, Australia
- Katherine Bachner, United States
- Sarah Ball, New Zealand
- Laura Marilena Constantin, Romania
- Sheng Ding, China (People's Rep. of)
- Lise Drouet, France
- Alina Egorova, Russia
- Marianne Fisher, United States
- Bastien Fontugne, France
- David García López, Spain
- Mauro Ghiggeri, Argentina
- Marianna Grigorieva-Philippot, France/Ukraine
- Dmitry Grigoryev, Russia
- Wessel Heijnick, Netherlands
- Thomas Helling-Junghans, Germany
- Maximilian Hoell, Germany
- Shin Horiguchi, Japan
- Chungman Hwang, Korea
- Arda Inal, Turkey
- Lachlan Innes, Australia
- Young June Kim, Korea
- Allen Antony Kitutu, Tanzania
- Eduard Klobouček, Czech Republic
- Shant Krikorian, United States/Armenia
- Annaleena Kumlin, Finland
- Nadezda Kurova-Chernavina, Russia
- Stephen Lavington, United Kingdom
- Artem Lazarev, Russia
- Jinyoung Lee, Korea
- Gaspard Liyoko Mboyo, Congo
- Adrian Malacz, Poland
- Vusi Malebana, South Africa
- Olessia Manner, Finland
- Moses Muinde, Kenya
- Sadiat Adefunke Okunubi, Nigeria
- Karoly Tamas Olajos, Hungary
- Ebenezer Appiah Opare, Ghana
- Jiří Ortman, Czech Republic
- Kristina Paleviciene, Lithuania
- Fangdi Pan, China (People's Rep. of)
- Peter Pavlovi, Slovakia
- Claire Portier, France
- Ana Sánchez Cobaleda, Spain
- Mark Sanders, United States/Germany
- Akshay Shandilya, India
- Desislava Spassova, Bulgaria
- Yvette Staal, Netherlands
- Jeremy Suttner, United States
- Hande Tug Erdirik, Turkey
- Hiroyasu Ueda, Japan
- Agnès Vallee-Jego, France
- Suzanne Vatov, France
- Charles Von Denkowski, United States/Germany
- Xiaodong Yang, United Kingdom
- Alexey Zabotkin, Russia
- Patricia Ziehl, Germany

*I am happy to say that in those two weeks I met people who I genuinely call friends almost two years afterwards. And I feel like it will be like this in the years to come.*

– Ms Ana Sanchez Cobaleda (Spain), ISNL class of 2015

## 2016 Session



- Michelle Albert, United States
- Omar Aljazy, Jordan
- Natalia Artamonova, Russia
- Marine Bertein, France
- Peter Bollardt, Slovakia
- Denise Cheong, Singapore
- Haesung Chung, Korea
- Lisa Clark, United States
- Ana Maria Cucea, Romania
- Sofía Díaz De Aguilar Puiggarí, Spain
- Amel El Mejri, Tunisia
- Irina Galaktionova, Russia
- Roswitha Gomachas, Namibia
- Seitaro Hanami, Japan
- Bianka Kalcheva, Bulgaria
- Aleksei Khlebunov, Russia
- Boris Kolesnik, Russia
- Rahmi Kopar, Turkey
- Emilia Kopeć, Poland
- Sandra Kovacheva, Bulgaria
- Marin Kuzmanov, Bulgaria
- Alejandro Lemos, Argentina
- Yundi Luo, China (People's Rep. of)
- Cécile Mangwi Wandjie, Cameroon
- Pedro Martos Otero, Spain
- Suzanne Catherine Mbolo Etame Eperse Edjangue, Cameroon
- Allyn Milojevich, United States
- Abraham Miti, Zambia
- Tedd Moya Mose, Kenya
- Yuri Nechitaylov, Russia
- László Palla, Hungary
- Douglas Pivnichny, United States
- Livia Puch, Hungary
- Dan Ran, China
- Nathalie Rébé, France
- Vaida Rukaite-Drazdove, Lithuania
- Nivedita S, Singapore
- Daniela Santopolo, Italy
- Camille Scotto De César, France/Canada
- Ramandeep Singh Sidhu, India
- Rishika Singh, India
- Anna Madeleyne Suárez Pérez, Cuba
- Nail Thabet, Yemen
- Yohei Takiguchi, Japan
- Satomi Tamura, Japan
- Monique Taylor, Australia
- Oanh Tran, Vietnam
- Yasushi Tsukamoto, Japan
- George-Codrut Tudor, Romania
- Johannes Van Der Wouden, Netherlands
- Jasmine Van Schouwen, Canada
- Karen Verwimp, Belgium
- Zheng Wang, China (People's Rep. of)
- Caj Weckström, Finland
- Tomasz Juliusz Winnicki, Poland
- Angela Woodward, New Zealand/United Kingdom
- Mirae Yun, Korea

*I was able to make good friends with which I communicate on a pretty regular basis. I truly feel that I can reach out to anyone from the program when I have a question or need help with anything. Everyone was so kind.*

– Ms Jasmine Van Schouwen (Canada), ISNL class of 2016



## 2017 Session



- Benigno Aquino, Philippines
- Mariam Al Khoori, United Arab Emirates
- Obaid Almutawa, United Arab Emirates
- Mohammed Alnaeem, Sudan
- Cristina Bacaintan, Romania
- Misozi Miriam Banda Kapeya, Zambia
- Leonardo Bandarra, Brazil
- Brunelle Battistella, France
- Gaëlle Bernard, France
- Maja Boskovic, Montenegro/Croatia
- Marta Brazhnik, Russia
- Nelson Gustavo Cantero Ramos Giménez, Paraguay
- Patrícia Costa Anache, Brazil
- Guido Costantini, Italy
- Maria Noelia Dusau, Argentina
- Mohammad Farran, Saudi Arabia
- Orsolya Réka Fazekas, Hungary
- Natalya Firsova, Russia
- Carey Fleming, United States
- Raquel Gamboa Nelson, Costa Rica
- Francisco Javier García Ruiz, Spain
- Alessandra Gaytan Calvo, Mexico
- Arthur Hekker, Netherlands
- Monica Hornof, Canada
- Suze Jasperse, Netherlands
- Priyanka Jawale, India
- Lakshitha Jayawardhana, Sri Lanka
- Seok Won Jerng, Korea
- Anna Kamynina, Russia
- Grace Kim, United States
- Jina Kim, United States
- Karel Künzel, Czech Republic
- Katsuya Kuribayashi, Japan
- Eun Jin Lim, Korea
- Jihan Lim, Korea
- Ana Rita Lopes Ramos Wahl, Portugal
- Foivos Marias, Greece
- Anna Mazur, Canada
- Luz Melon, Argentina
- Katja Mravlak, Slovenia
- Milena Novakova, Bulgaria
- Olaide Oyenike Oyedokun, Nigeria
- Ignacio Payarola, Argentina
- Andrey Poptsov, Russia
- Rodica Procop, Romania
- Kaitlin Rekola, United States
- Muhammad Wasif Riaz, Pakistan
- Nisachon Rojsattarat, Thailand
- Denis Romanchenko, Russia
- Tristano Sainati, Italy
- Sonja Salo, Finland
- James Shepherd, Australia
- Boster Dearson Siwila, Zambia
- Yann Marius Soma, Burkina Faso
- Jolanta Švedkauskaitė, Lithuania
- Mehmet Tas, Turkey
- Takeshi Tomoto, Japan
- Elizabeth Tovar Luján, Mexico
- Michalakis Tzortzis, Cyprus
- Sorena Vakilian, Canada
- Minna Välimäki, Finland
- Johannes Van Vuren, Netherlands
- Ye Jiang, China (People's Rep. of)
- Tereza Žilková, Czech Republic

*Along with knowledge I found lifelong friends at ISNL.*

*– Ms Priyanka Jawale (India), ISNL class of 2017*

## 2018 Session



- Gabriela Maria Acosta, Argentina
- Akua Adoma Addae, Ghana
- Sumaya Alakberi, United Arab Emirates
- Agustina María Álvarez Vicente, Argentina
- Cornelia Banerji, Austria
- Imen Bentouhami ép. Cherbal, Algeria
- Stephen Mark Brion, United Kingdom
- Jessica Bufford, United States
- Alexander Bulavinov, Russia
- Murat Cengizlier, Turkey
- Lorraine Chiwenga, Zimbabwe
- Emily Dandy, Canada
- Amaya De Bruycker, Belgium
- Anne Ninon Sorel Ekoto Essono, Cameroon
- Hassan El-Qarra, United Kingdom
- Fathi Elsis, Egypt
- Jamie Fairchild, Canada
- Jean-Élie Fontaine, France
- Teruyo Funada, Japan
- Sandra Geupel, Germany
- Mario Gomez Fernandez, Guatemala
- Ina Grigalashvili, Georgia
- Eszter Hartmann, Hungary
- Diletta Colette Invernizzi, Italy
- Byungho Jung, Korea
- Paul Kaiser, Germany
- Rehema Katuga, Tanzania
- Mesut Kaya, Turkey
- Sue Kim, Korea
- Andrey Korolenko, Russia
- Stéphanie Lavergne, France
- Jussi Leväsalmi, Finland
- Afonso Lopes De Freitas Carvalho Dantas, Portugal
- Danny Javier López Soliz, Bolivia
- Irina Marinich, Russia
- Ma Adela Matas Egido, Spain
- Phonenipha Mathouchanh, Lao, People's Democratic Republic
- Vaidas Matuzas, Lithuania
- Mariel Lourdes Merino Aguilar, Bolivia
- Eric Michel, United States
- Michael Jonathan Moffatt, Canada/United States
- Bridgette Motshidisi Mokoetle, South Africa
- Anna Novoselova, Russia
- Triphine Nyirarukundo, Rwanda
- Biriska Odeh-Osibo, Nigeria
- Bernard Odrón, Philippines
- Muhammad Bilal Paracha, Pakistan
- June kyung Park, Korea
- Mateusz Pietruszewski, Poland
- Rama Thyagaraju Ponangi, India
- Rosario Maria Rende Granata, Italy
- Oscar Eugenio Reyes Orta, Mexico
- Vincent Roué, France
- Samir Hesham Kamal Safar-Aly, United Kingdom/Egypt
- Zsolt Sárdi, Hungary
- Natalia Semenkova, Russia
- Kohei Seto, Japan
- Martin Ševeček, Czech Republic
- Rūta Stanevičienė, Lithuania
- Kazumasa Takahashi, Japan
- Tonje Elisabeth Terjesen, Norway

*It was such a dynamic group and I enjoyed meeting everyone. Everyone was so friendly.*

– Ms Lorraine Chiwenga (Zimbabwe), ISNL class of 2018



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