



UNIDROIT RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Interim Implementation Report – 15 April 2015 *



I – Background

This Interim Report is intended to provide information regarding the implementation of the programme in 2015, with a list of accepted scholars for 2015, together with a projection regarding cost implications.

For background information concerning the programme, its objectives and the selection procedure, see the Implementation Report for 2014. **

II – Financial resources for the Programme in 2015

At 15 April 2015, the sources of funding of the Programme inasmuch as they cover scholarships taken or to be taken in 2015, are as follows:

- ❖ The UK Foundation for International Uniform Law
- ❖ Transnational Law & Business University (TLBU)
- ❖ The UNIDROIT Foundation for International Uniform Law
- ❖ The Scholarship general fund (with contributions by Members of the Governing Council on a personal basis and the President of UNIDROIT)

* UNIDROIT 2015 - Study LXV/Scholarships – Impl. 26 (interim)

** UNIDROIT 2014 - Study LXV/Scholarships – Impl. 25

The total available funding amounted to Eur 40.039.94 at 1 January 2015. A table reporting the amounts received and how they are intended to be used is reproduced in Annex I.

The list of candidates admitted under the programme in 2015 is reproduced in Annex II.

As regards associated institutions, in addition to the institutions indicated in the above-mentioned Implementation Report for 2014 (i.e. Universidad Argentina de la Empresa (UADE), Swiss Institute of Comparative Law (Lausanne), University of Johannesburg (South Africa), Universidad Externado de Colombia, Babes Bolyai University (Romania), Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University (Thailand)), cooperation agreements have been signed with Transnational Law & Business University (TLBU) Graduate School of Law (Republic of Korea) and Nagoya University Graduate School of Law (Japan).

III – Perspectives

The Secretariat recalls that this Programme has proven to be an efficient means of underpinning the Organisation's harmonisation work and should be seen as forming an integral part of the Institute's mission.

The Secretariat renews its gratitude to all donors in 2015 and hope that they will wish to renew their financial commitment, and that new donors may join them, so as to maintain the scheme's financial potential and enable a satisfactory number of candidates to be presented for and accepted into the Programme.

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(Amounts are expressed in Euros)

Sponsors	Funding	Scholars (estimates)	Grant amounts (estimates)
Scholarship general fund UNIDROIT Governing Council members (2014) UNIDROIT President (carry over 2014)	3.152,00 2.337,76 <hr/> Total 5.489,76	Ms Maria Eugenia BERTIZZOLO Ms Farzenah SHAKERI Total	1.500,00 3.000,00 4.500,00
Government of the Netherlands - pm	-----		
Transnational Law and Business University (TLBU), Seoul, R. Korea carry over 2014			
Total	586,49		
UNIDROIT Foundation carry over 2014		Ms Maria Ignacia VIAL UNDURRAGA Mr Gocha GIORGIDZE Mr Frantisek LIPTAK Ms Ana KEGELVIC Ms SIYU CAI Ms Chiraz KAROUI Ms Albana HANA Mr Burcu ERBAYRAKTAR Ms Robin CUPIDO Mr Garth BOWERS Mr Faadhil ADAMS Mr Stoyan IVANOV Mr Coovi Prudence L. DAHODEKOU Mr Karel DOGUE	900,00 3.000,00 1.600,00 2.500,00 2.400,00 2.500,00 1.600,00 1.600,00 1.600,00 1.600,00 1.600,00 1.600,00 2.400,00 2.400,00 2.400,00
Total	28.471,53	Total	28.100,00
UK Foundation carry over 2014		Mr Asress GIKAY Ms Ekaterina IVANOVA Mr LI GOAN	1.600,00 1.500,00 2.400,00
Total	5.525,48	Total	5.500,00
Total amount available in 2015	40.073,26	Amount estimated to be spent in 2015	38.100,00

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Scholars selected under the Programme for 2015

1.	Ms Maria Ignacia VIAL UNDURRAGA	Chile	PhD, King's College London Lecturer in law, Universidad de los Andes, Santiago de Chile	UNIDROIT Foundation	Research for a proposal of amendment of the Chilean Private International Law (regarding international contracts, non-contractual obligations and matrimonial property regimes) 7 – 29 January 2015
2.	Ms Maria Eugenia L. BERTIZZOLO	Argentina	Professor of Private International Law. UADE (Universidad Argentina de la Empresa – Buenos Aires	Joint Scholarship UADE/ UNIDROIT general fund	Contract farming as a tool for the development of the agribusiness in Argentina 7 January – 26 February 2015
3.	Mr Gocha GIORGIDSE	Georgia	Lecturer, International Black Sea University Law School, Tbilisi	UNIDROIT Foundation	Model clauses for use by Parties of the UNIDROIT principles of international commercial contracts 14 January – 6 March 2015
4.	Mr Asress GIKAY	Ethiopia	PhD, SJD Cand. Central European University, Budapest	UK Foundation	Research toward a new legal framework for Ethiopian secured transactions law 4 March – 30 April 2015
5.	Ms Farzenah SHAKERI	Iran	PhD Cand. University of Tehran	UNIDROIT general fund	The application of the UNIDROIT Convention on Stolen or Illegally Exported Cultural Objects by Iran: Challenges and opportunities - 25 March – 25 May 2015
6.	Mr Frantisek LIPTAK	Slovakia	PhD Cand., Faculty of Law, Pavol Jozef University in Kosice	UNIDROIT Foundation	Interactions between Private International Law and International Commercial Arbitration – Focusing on the potential relevance of the UPICC 13 April – 12 June 2015
7.	Ms CAI SIYU	PRC	Master Cand., Renmin University of China	UNIDROIT Foundation	Study on Bon Fide Acquisition of Stolen Cultural Property 4 May – 30 June 2015
8.	Ms Ekaterina IVANOVA	Russian Federation	Doctoral Cand., Erasmus University Rotterdam School of Law	UK Foundation	Are intentions binding? Developing an Harmonised approach to letter of intent in international contracting 4 May – 2 July 2015

9.	Ms Ana KEGELVIC	Croatia	Assistant Senior Professor, Deaprtment of Civil Law, University of Zagreb	UNIDROIT Foundation	Disgorgement of Profits – A case for UNIDROIT ? 4 May – 30 June 2015
10	Ms Saida Chiraz KAROUI	Tunisia	Doctorante/chercheur contractuel, laboratoire DRIMAN	UNIDROIT Foundation	L'application des principes d'UNIDROIT dans l'arbitrage d'investissement - 1 June – 31 July 2015
11	Ms Albana HANA	Albania	PhD candidate, University of Hamburg Faculty of law	UNIDROIT Foundation	Private and transnational procedural law and the role of judges into practices of bringing legal certainty: common core and better law - 1 June – 31 July 2015
12	Ms Burcu ERBAYRAKTAR	Turkey	PhD, Istanbul University Institute of Social Sciences - Research Assistant, Koç University, Istanbul	UNIDROIT Foundation	The contractual prohibitions of the assignment of receivables and legal consequences from a comparative law perspective - 8 June – 31 July 2015
13	Mr Faadhil ADAMS	South Africa	LL.M., Lecturer, University of Johannesburg	UNIDROIT Foundation	Overriding mandatory provisions of another law 9 June – 10 July 2015
14	Ms Robin CUPIDO	South Africa	LL.M., Lecturer, University of Johannesburg	UNIDROIT Foundation	The role and application of good faith in long term contracts 15 June – 10 July 2015
15	Mr Garth BOUWERS	South Africa	LL.M., Lecturer, University of Johannesburg	UNIDROIT Foundation	International Commercial Contracts 15 June – 10 July 2015
16	Mr DAHODEKOU Coovi Prudence Léonce	Benin	Doctorant, Université d'Abomey- Calavi, Assistant de recherche CREDIJ-Bénin	UNIDROIT Foundation	Les aspects juridiques du marché financier dans l'espace UEMAO- CEMAC 14 September – 30 October 2015
17	Mr Stoyan IVANOV	Bulgaria	Assistant Professor of Private Law, University of Sofia St. Kliment Ohridski	UNIDROIT Foundation	Legal rules and procedure for the transfer of ownership of land in Europe - 21 September – 19 November 2015
18	Mr Karel DOGUE	Benin	Chef des études, Directeur de la recherche et documentation (ERSUMA) de l'OHADA	UNIDROIT Foundation	L'encadrement juridique de la joint-venture OHADA – Etude du projet de texte OHADA sur la joint venture à la lumière des Principes UNIDROIT - Fall 2015
19	Mr LI GOAN	PRC	Dean, Professor of law, International law department, School of Law, Xiamen University	UK Foundation	Modernisation of the international financial regulation and implications for Chinese financial and security market Fall 2015