The inaugural London International Disputes Week (LIDW) will explore the future of international dispute resolution and celebrate the heritage of London as a leading centre for handling international disputes, through a programme of interactive sessions and networking events.

Spanning four days, LIDW comprises a must-attend 1-day flagship conference at the National Gallery and 18 sessions on different types of disputes and forms of dispute resolution.

The high level flagship conference speakers include:

The Right Honourable The Lord Burnett of Maldon
Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales

Simon Davis
Vice President of the Law Society of England and Wales

Helen Dodds
Global Head of Legal Dispute Resolution Standard Chartered Bank

Jonathan Wood
Chair of the Board Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Alexander G. Fessas
Secretary General of the ICC International Court of Arbitration

Judith Gill QC
President of the LCIA Court

Richard Atkins QC
Chair of the Bar Council

Shaheed Fatima QC
Blackstone Chambers

Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice, The Right Honourable David Gauke MP
08:15 - 09:00  
REGISTRATION
09:10 - 09:20  
WELCOME REMARKS
09:20-09:40  
KEY NOTE 1  
London as a Global Hub of Legal Expertise  
TBC
09:40 - 11:00  
PANEL 1  
The Development of English Contract Law  
Moderator: Simon Davis, Vice President of the Law Society of England and Wales  
Keynote: The Right Honourable The Lord Burnett of Maldon, Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales
Panellists:  
- Professor Edwin Peel, Oxford University Law Faculty and One Essex Court  
- Helen Dodds, Global Head of Legal, Dispute Resolution, Standard Chartered Bank  
- Allan Moore, Covington & Burling
11:00 - 11:45  
NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK
11:45 - 13:00  
PANEL 2  
A Comparison of Dispute Resolution Procedures  
Moderator: Alexander G. Fessas, Secretary General of the ICC International Court of Arbitration
Panellists:  
- Richard Hill, Head of Global Litigation, Shell International Limited  
- Darius Khambata SC, former Advocate General for Maharashtra and Additional Solicitor General of India  
- Judge Dominique Hascher, Supreme Judicial Court of France and Adjunct Professor of Law at University Panthéon-Sorbonne
13:00–14:30  
NETWORKING LUNCH
14:30 - 15:00  
KEYNOTE 2  
Technology and the Future in Dispute Resolution  
Moderator: Jonathan Wood, Chair of the Board, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators  
Speaker: Professor Richard Susskind OBE, IT Advisor to the Lord Chief Justice
15:00 - 16:15  
PANEL 3  
The Future of International Arbitration in London  
Moderator: Judith Gill QC, President of the LCIA Court  
Panellists:  
- The Honourable Mr Justice Andrew Popplewell  
- Paul Friedland, White & Case  
- Domitille Baizeau, Lalive  
- Susanne Gropp-Stadler, Lead Litigation Counsel at Siemens AG  
- Professor Dr Nayla Comair-Obeid, Obeid Law Firm, Lebanon
16:15 - 17:00  
NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK
17:00 - 17:45  
PANEL 4  
Promoting Rule of Law and Global Legal Standards  
Moderator: Richard Atkins QC, Chair of the Bar Council
Panellists:  
- Ms Katalaina Sapolu, Director of the Rule of Law Division at the Commonwealth Secretariat  
- Tim Eicke QC, Judge of the European Court of Human Rights  
- Shaheed Fatima QC, Blackstone Chambers
17:45 - 18:00  
CLOSING REMARKS  
Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice, The Right Honourable David Gauke MP
18:00 - 19:45  
NETWORKING DRINKS AT GALLERY A