



Constitutional Change in France and the UK

27 June 2009

9.30am – 5.30pm

Maison Française d'Oxford

This one-day conference will address the recent constitutional change in both countries.

Theme 1: Adapting Old Ideas: The Nation-State, sovereignty and its accessories; The problem of support (Legitimacy, the political system, Bi partisan,...); The question of the central state and its peripheries (Form of state, unitary, decentralisation, devolution, Jacobinism); Modifications/revisions of the Constitution (frequency, substantial issues) .

Theme 2: Considering New Demands: Citizens, rights and the future; Accountability, control and transparency; The rule of law, Human Rights and l'Etat de droit; a republic, no monarch; a democracy, one monarch: (issues about the head of state); applying the constitution. Constitutions and the judiciary

The conference is targeted at legal academics, students and legal practitioners.

Chairs:

Lord Phillips of Worth Matravers, Senior Lord of Appeal in Ordinary

G. Canivet, Membre du Conseil Constitutionnel

Speakers:

Professor P. Brunet, Université Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense

Professor V. Bogdanor, University of Oxford

A. O' Neill, QC

W. Roddick, QC

Professor F. Rueda, Université de Toulouse 1

Professor D. Oliver, UCL

D. Marrani, University of Essex

Dr P Richard, Université du Sud Toulon Var

Professor P. Leyland, London Metropolitan

Professor J. Packer, University of Essex

Dr J. Arlettaz, Université de Nice Sophia Antipolis

Me N. Lenoir, former French minister of European affairs, former member of the Conseil Constitutionnel (tbc)

Accredited with CPD by the Solicitors Regulation Authority and the Bar Standards Board (5.5 hours)

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