The Permanent Court and Modern International Law
Reflections on the PCIJ’s Lasting Legacy

Conference organised by Queen Mary, University of London, the University of Glasgow and the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in London in co-operation with the British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Date: Friday 26 November 2010

Venue: Grange Holborn Hotel 50–60 Southampton Row, London WC1B 4AR

08:30 – 9:00 Registration

09:00 – 09:30 Introduction
Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (Queen Mary, University of London) Professor Christian J Tams (University of Glasgow)
Sir Michael Wood, KCMG (20 Essex Street, London)

Panel 1: The PCIJ’s Influence on Substantive International Law

09:30 – 09:40 Chair: Professor Alan Boyle (University of Edinburgh)
09:40 – 10:00 The PCIJ and the International Law of Treaties
Dr Stephan Wittich (University of Vienna)
10:00 – 10:20 The PCIJ and the Sources of International Law
Dr Akbar Rasulov (University of Glasgow)
10:20 – 10:40 The PCIJ and International Rights of Individuals and Groups
Professor Catherine Brölmann (University of Amsterdam)
10:40 – 11:00 The PCIJ and the Protection of Foreign Investment
Dr Ursula Kriebaum (University of Vienna)
11:00 – 11:30 Questions and Discussion

11:30 – 11:50 Coffee Break

Panel 2: The PCIJ as the First World Court

11:50 – 12:00 Chair: Professor Stefan Talmon (University of Oxford)
12:00 – 12:20 The PCIJ’s Jurisdiction in Contentious Cases
Dr George Letsas (University College London)
12:20 – 12:40 The PCIJ and the “Invention” of International Advisory Jurisdiction
Dr Douglas Guilfoyle (University College London)
12:40 – 13:00 The PCIJ and the Emergence of an International Judiciary
Dr Kate Parlett (Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Paris)

13:00 – 13:30 Questions and Discussion

13:30 – 14:20 Lunch Break

Panel 3: The PCIJ and Other Fora of Dispute Resolution

14:20 – 14:30 Chair: Professor James Crawford (University of Cambridge)

14:30 – 14:50 The PCIJ, Arbitration and Claims Commissions of the Inter-War Period
Professor Iain Scobie (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London)

14:50 – 15:10 The PCIJ and the Political Organs of the League of Nations
Professor Dino Kritsiotis (University of Nottingham)

15:10 – 15:30 The PCIJ in a Multi-Judiciary World
Professor Jean d’Aspremont (University of Amsterdam)

15:30 – 16:00 Questions and Discussion

16:00 – 16:20 Tea Break

Panel 4: The PCIJ and its Legacy to the Modern International Judiciary

16:20 – 16:30 Chair: Mr Emil Pietras (First Secretary of Science and Education at the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in London)

16:30 – 16:50 The PCIJ’s Heritage in WTO Jurisprudence Dr Joanna Gomula (Centre for Commercial Law Studies, Queen Mary, University of London)

16:50 – 17:10 Judicial Activism versus Judicial Self-Restraint: the PCIJ and its Polish Cases Professor Anna Wyrozumska (University of Lodz)

17:10 – 17:30 The PCIJ and the Constitutional Dimension of International Law Professor Roman Kwiecien (Maria Curie-Sklodowska University in Lublin)

17:30 – 18:00 Questions and Discussion

18:00 – 18:30 Keynote Speech: The PCIJ’s Legacy
Dr Ole Spiermann (Partner, Bruun & Hjejle, Copenhagen)

Concluding Remarks
Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (Queen Mary, University of London) Professor Christian J Tams (University of Glasgow) Sir Michael Wood, KCMG (20 Essex Street, London)

Drinks at the Grange Hotel
The Chairs and Speakers are invited for dinner kindly offered at the Polish Embassy.

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