

Association Internationale de Droit des Assurances

AIDA Europe- Student/Academic Sub-Committee

<u>Progress Report - Call for Papers for the AIDA Europe Conference in Zurich (October 22-23, 2009)</u>

The AIDA Europe Student/Academic Sub-Committee invited students and young practitioners to participate at the 2nd AIDA Europe Conference to be held in Zurich on 22-23/10/2009 and in this respect issued in early Jan. 2009 a call for papers, in order to assess prospective papers submitted to them for presentation at the Zurich conference. Prior to issuing the call in all countries, we contacted the Chairmen of the AIDA Working Parties asking whether the Working Parties would be meeting in Zurich as well as for suggested topics to be considered for the relevant call for papers.

We also extended the initial submission deadline (May 31st 2009) to July 1st 2009 so as to encourage greater participation.

Thanks to funding secured we have selected and approved to fund the following persons:

- a) thanks to funds secured by Prof. Robert Koch, we have selected and approved to fund a law student (Ms Stella SAKELLARIDOU from the Law Faculty of the University of Athens, Greece) who will present her paper on maritime piracy at the newly formulated marine insurance working party.
- b) thanks to funds provided by the AIDA Europe Committee, we have also selected and approved to fund Ms Ozlem Gurses, a young academic of Turkish origin. Ms Ozlem Gurses has just submitted her Ph.D. (Soton University) and will defend it in autumn 2009. She has also been appointed as a lecturer at the East Anglia Law School and will start there on Sept. 1st, 2009. Hence, she qualifies as a young full time academic. Ms Gurses will make a presentation on the claims provisions in reinsurance contracts and will compare English and US law.

In AIDA Europe we always strive to encourage young students and young academics and practitioners.

Dr. Kvriaki Noussia

On behalf of the Chair (Prof. Robert Koch) and Co-Chair (Dr. Kyriaki Noussia) of the AIDA Academic/Student Sub-Committee

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