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Dear colleagues and friends,

This Bulletin No. 136 wants to inform you on the developments, since we took over the administration of the Society: It comes in a reduced format since our new website (www.islssl.org) provides to all of you on an ongoing basis and greater details the necessary information. This Bulletin and the next ones will bring to your attention the various developments and would serve as a "warning" with a view to inviting you to visit our website and, from time to time, to alert you on the most recent news.

THE WEBSITE

Precisely in this regard, we would like to let you know that we are very excited about the launch of the new website - long announced by the same means — and that has become a vital tool for easier access to all Society's features and for our national chapters. We encourage you to use this site as much as possible and we ask you to assist us in completing its content, by sending your suggestions and proposals to us (adriangoldin@derecho.uba.ar and casale@ilo.org) In particular, we would like to complete the presentation of the various materials of our regional and international conferences - general reports, country reports, "free" contributions - so that they are at the disposal of scholars and researchers. Therefore, we would be extremely grateful if you can send us those materials which are still not posted in the website.

OPEN FORUM

In particular, we bring to your attention Professor Tiziano Treu's position paper, which has been posted under the Open Forum. We invite you to send us your input and ideas about the issues raised in this paper. We have received enthusiastic feedbacks on this and our intention is to organize a possible conference or seminar around the ideas raised by Professor Treu, and coming out of the subsequent contributions.

YOUNG LEAGAL SCHOLARS SECTION

We have made a significant progress in the development of this section. The Latin American "embryo" is organizing a meeting. It will take place on 2 October 2013 at the next IX Regional Congress of the Americas of the ISLSSL. It will discuss the developments of labour rights in Latin American countries after ten years. For this, the participants are finalizing their national reports with a view to facilitating a comparison of the various experiences. In turn, the European "embryo" is organising its own activity that will take place during the next XI European Regional Congress to be held in Dublin on 17-19 September 2014.

We encouraged the national associations to establish their national sections of young legal scholars, or at least, to identify focal points with a view to contributing and participating in the best way possible in the activities of this Section. The Spanish Association has created its national section during their last annual meeting. Other associations have informed us of their intention to do the same soon. Information about the Young Legal Scholars Section can be found on our webpage at http://islssl.org/home/young-lawyers/ and it is our intention to keep you all informed about future developments.

UPCOMING CONGRESSES

Our website contains detailed information about the progress made concerning our next Congresses. The IX Regional Congress of the Americas in Guayaquil (Ecuador) is soon to be held in early October. On our webpage and on the Congress site itself (www.congresolaboralguayaquil.com) you can find all the necessary information.

Also the European Regional Congress to be held in Dublin next year is in an advanced state of organization. We invite you to look at its rich academic program. There is also information on our site of the next World Congress (Cape Town, South Africa, 2015). The organisers will send us further information during the month of August.

Regarding the next Asian Regional Congress, we are awaiting a final confirmation from our friends and colleagues of the Labour Law Association of Korea.

SPECIAL TRAINING SEMINARS

We would like to let you know that we are actively working for the re-establishment of the International Seminar in a European country following the tradition of Szeged, Bordeaux and Lyon. We hope to announce soon its resumption.

Very recently, an International Seminar was held in the Margarita Island (Venezuela), to which the Society has contributed with a number of fellowships. The Seminar was very well attended and we thank the organizers for their efforts in carrying out this initiative. We are working with them to fulfil our commitment to provide continuous progress in terms of quality and training impact.

FELLOWSHIPS AND SPONSORSHIPS: PROCEDURES FOR CONSULTATION

Since the start of our mandate, we have provided sponsorship to various European and Latin American events who have requested it. In all cases, these auspices are arranged after consultation with all the Vice Presidents of the Society, in order to ensure the rigour and quality levels which are the ISLSSL prerogatives. Their award constitutes a full institutional decision. All the same was applied when the consultation process was put in motion for modifying the logo of the Society.

As for scholarships, we have arranged that for each activity no more than one fellowship candidate from each national association. This would ensure the widest international distribution and the candidates are selected within the national associations through internal competition.

NEWS FROM OUR TREASURER

Our Treasurer, Prof. Stefano Bellomo, reports that several associations are paying their dues. We thank Prof. Bellomo for all the efforts that he is putting into this.

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