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to ensure effective claims management**

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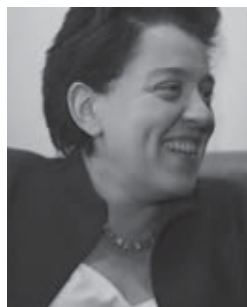
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International Asbestos Litigation

Don't miss out on this opportunity to analyse the latest developments in international asbestos litigation.

It is expected that **asbestos litigation** will not **peak** until **2020**. As the number of cases continues to grow, now is the time to ensure that you understand this complex area of law.

2014 has been a significant year for asbestos litigation. The **High Court** has ruled that the **government's proposed mesothelioma reforms are illegal** and so mesothelioma cases remain **exempt** from the **Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act**. Join us to understand the **future of funding** for mesothelioma cases.

We have assembled a speaker panel of **experts** from **UK, France, USA** and **Australia** who will share their views into how asbestos litigation is developing across jurisdictions, giving you practical insight into the **latest** strategies to **manage, defend** and **settle asbestos related claims**.

Attending this conference will allow you to gain an update on the latest case law and regulation affecting this area of law.

Who you will meet at the International Asbestos Litigation Forum:

- Claimant and defendant lawyers
- Insurers
- Medical experts
- Actuaries
- Barristers

*Up to 6.5 SRA hours,
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08.30 Registration & Coffee

09.00 Chair's Welcome & Introduction:
Changing Characteristics of Mesothelioma Claimants



Adrian Budgen

Partner

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09.15 **View from the Bench in Asbestos Claims**



Master Roger Eastman

ROYAL COURTS OF JUSTICE, London



09.45 **Breach of duty after McCarthy v M&S plc**

- Liability under the Occupiers' Liability Act 1957 in low level exposure claims
- Foreseeability and date of knowledge in claims against occupiers
- Proving breach of duty: Government Guidance and Standards (EH10)
- Recent case law including *McCarthy v M&S plc*
- Is there a cut-off date for liability?



Jamie Clarke

Barrister

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10.30 Coffee break

10.50 **International Perspectives:
USA, Australia and France**



- Jurisdictional issues
- What can be learnt from other jurisdictions
- Anxiety cases
- Liability for the state

Moderator:



Sander Esserman

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David Miller

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11.55 **Malignant Mesothelioma: Scientific Perspectives on the Role of Asbestos Fibre Type in Disease Causation**

Dr Richard Attanoos

Consultant Pathologist

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL LLANDOUGH, CARDIFF

12.40 Lunch

13.40 **Quantifying Damages in Asbestos Claims**

- Update on recent decisions:
 - *Haxton v Philips Electronics*
 - *McDonald v National Grid*
 - *International Energy Group Ltd v Zurich Insurance plc UK*
- Ogden tables



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14.25 **Insurance and Reinsurance: Review of Current Issues**



- The global impact of asbestos litigation on the insurance and reinsurance industries
- Liability for insurers
- Multiple tortfeasors: Is liability divisible?
- Fair apportionment of liability after *International Energy Group Ltd v Zurich Insurance plc UK*
- Practical consequences
- Employers' liability database
- Proposals for mesothelioma portal
- Latest perspectives of the Actuarial Working Party

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15.25 Coffee break

15.45 **Difficult Issues in Asbestos Litigation**

- Public liability triggers
- Successive litigation scenarios including *Dowdall*
- Lung cancer after *International Energy Group Ltd v Zurich Insurance plc UK*



David Platt QC

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16.30 **Funding developments and the latest on LASPO**

- LASPO – the special case of mesothelioma
- *The Queen (aoa Asbestos Victims Support Groups Forum UK) v Secretary of State*
- The future for funding of mesothelioma claims



Daniel Easton

Partner

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17.10 Closing remarks and end of conference

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