

SAVE THESE DATES!! MARCH 7-10, 2000

An international conference assessing Democracy and the Rule of Law in a Changing World Order, co-sponsored by the Library of Congress and the New York University School of Law, is scheduled for the week of March 6-10, 2000. It will open at the Library of Congress to the public on Tuesday morning, March 7. The conference marks the 200th anniversary of the Library of Congress and recognizes the distinction of its Law Library, which contains the world's largest collection of the laws and legislation of other countries. The New York University School of Law celebrates its innovative Global Law School Program, which is drawing many distinguished jurists and legal scholars to its Washington Square campus.

The conference, which is open to the public, will focus on seven significant areas of the law where changing needs and evolving legislation and decisions create a dynamic legal context. The conference will bring together about one hundred legal scholars, judges, legislators, and social scientists from jurisdictions in many countries to discuss the bearing of changing legal patterns on the relationships between law and democracy.

The seven aspects of the law that will receive attention in separate sessions are: (1) Transnational Justice and National Sovereignty; (2) Corporate Power, National Sovereignty, and the Rule of Law in a Global Economy; (3) Natural Resources and the Environment: Individual versus Community Interests; (4) Political Status and Democracy in Multi-ethnic and Multi-racial States; (5) The State and Human Rights; (6) Roles of Women: Norms and Cultures; and (7) Religion, Culture, and Governance. In addition, two plenary sessions will address questions of great current interest: (a) the process of developing the rule of law in newly democratic states; and (b) using the legal process to hold the past to account.

The dual sponsorship of the conference means that sessions will be held both in Washington, D.C., and in New York City. Sessions on the global economy and human rights will be held at the New York University School of Law on Friday, March 10; all the other sessions will take place at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

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Updates on the conference will be posted on the LC internet site (www.loc.gov) under Bicentennial Home Page/Symposia. For more information, contact R. M. Clemandot in the Law Library of Congress: (202) 707-5067 or email: rcle@loc.gov



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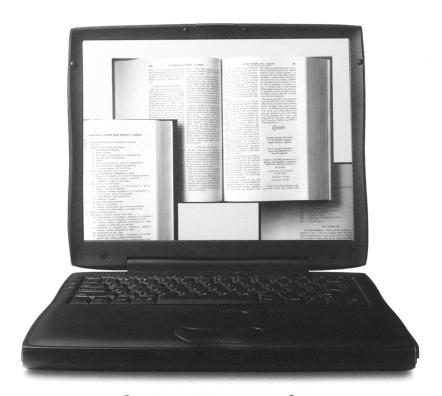
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