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### **ASIL 105<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING AWARD RECIPIENTS**

WASHINGTON, DC – The American Society of International Law (ASIL) held its 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, with the theme “Harmony and Dissonance in International Law,” March 23–26, 2011, in Washington, DC. The four-day event, with nearly 1,400 registrants, included the awarding of several honors and prizes, as follows, for work in the field of international law.

#### **Honors**

The **Manley O. Hudson Medal**, first awarded in 1956, is given on an occasional basis in recognition of exceptional contributions to scholarship and achievement in international law. The medal is awarded without regard to nationality for preeminent scholarship and achievement in international law. ASIL’s 2011 Hudson Medal winner is **Eric Stein**, the Hessel E. Yntema Professor of Law, Emeritus, at the University of Michigan Law School. Stein is an outstanding legal scholar who throughout his long career has helped to build and maintain bridges between the United States and Europe. He has taught and published widely on issues of international law, specifically through his role as a leader in advancing the role of comparative analysis in international law and as an author of influential works comparing American federalism to the institutions of

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modern Europe. Stein's scholarship and achievements in the law have been recognized by many awards and honorary degrees.

The **Goler T. Butcher Medal** has been awarded by the Society each year since 1997 in recognition of outstanding contributions to the development or effective realization of international human rights law. This year's award went to **Gay J. McDougall**, the UN Human Rights Council's Independent Expert on Minority Issues and a Distinguished Scholar in Residence at American University Washington College of Law. McDougall was recognized for her lifetime of leadership in human rights advocacy.

The Society bestows the award of **Honorary Member** on an occasional basis to non-U.S. citizens who have rendered distinguished contributions or service in the field of international law. This year's Honorary Member, Judge **Patrick Lipton Robinson** of Jamaica, won the award in recognition of his role in developing international law and diplomacy as President of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.

ASIL's Women in International Law Interest Group (WILIG) gives a **Prominent Woman in International Law Award** at its Annual Meeting luncheon. This year's honoree was immediate past ASIL President **Lucy Reed**, partner in the New York office of the international law firm Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP. She co-heads the firm's preeminent global international arbitration group, specializing in investment treaty arbitrations and other public international law disputes. Her speech to the annual WILIG luncheon, entitled "Political Dissonance, Personal Harmony: Negotiating with North Korea and Iran," is viewable on FORA.tv via [www.asil.org/am11](http://www.asil.org/am11).

#### **ASIL Book Awards**

Each year a committee of the Society recognizes with a Certificate of Merit outstanding books in three specific areas. This year **Jutta Brunnée** of the University of Toronto and **Stephen J. Toope** of the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, won the ASIL Certificate of Merit for a preeminent contribution to creative scholarship for their book *Legitimacy and Legality in International Law* (Cambridge). Brunnée and Toope's book is important for its contribution towards understanding how international law enables and constrains international politics.

The Certificate of Merit in a specialized area of international law went to **Gary D. Solis** of Georgetown University Law Center for *The Law of Armed Conflict* (Cambridge). Incorporating lessons from many nations and including hundreds of cases from jurisdictions worldwide, Solis takes the reader through the essential questions of the law of armed conflict and international humanitarian law to an awareness of finer points of battlefield law.

The Certificate of Merit for high technical craftsmanship and utility to practicing lawyers and scholars was awarded to **Gary B. Born** for his book *International Commercial Arbitration* (Kluwer). Born provides the most complete available commentary and analysis on all aspects of the international commercial arbitration process.

In addition to these awards, Honorable Mention was awarded in two categories. **Kal Raustiala**, Director of the University of California-Los Angeles Ronald W. Burkle Center for International Relations, was awarded Honorable Mention for a preeminent contribution to creative scholarship for his book *Does the Constitution Follow the Flag* (Oxford). Honorable Mention in a specialized area of international law was awarded to

**Anne T. Gallagher**, Head of Operations for Equity International, for her book *The International Law of Human Trafficking* (Cambridge).

### **Prizes**

The **Francis Deák Prize** is awarded annually to a young author for meritorious scholarship published in *The American Journal of International Law*. The prize was established in 1973 by Philip Cohen in memory of Francis Deák, former head of the international law program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and editor of *American International Law Cases, 1783–1963*, the first volume of which was published in 1971, the year before his death. The award is sponsored by ASIL Publishing Partner Oxford University Press. This year's winner of the Deák Prize is **Anthea Roberts** of the London School of Economics for "**Power and Persuasion in Investment Treaty Interpretation: The Dual Role of States**" (104 AJIL 179, 2010).

The **Lieber Prize** has been awarded annually since 2004 by ASIL's Francis Lieber Society on the Law of Armed Conflict to an author less than 35 years of age for outstanding scholarship in that field. Dr. **Tom Ruys** won the 2011 book category award for his work "**Armed Attack**" and *Article 51 of the UN Charter: Evolutions in Customary Law and Practice* (Cambridge, 2010). **Naz Modirzadeh**, Senior Associate and Head of Policy at the Harvard Program on Humanitarian Policy and Conflict Research, won in the article category for "**The Dark Sides of Convergence: A Pro-Civilian Critique of the Extra Territorial Application of Human Rights in Armed Conflict**" (86 *International Law Studies* 349, 2010).

The **Lieber Society Military Prize**, awarded annually since 2007, recognizes a piece that significantly enhances the understanding and implementation of the law of war.

The prize is given for exceptional writing in English by an active duty or retired member of the regular or reserve armed forces, regardless of nationality. This year's Lieber Society Military Prize award went to **Duncan Blake** and **Joseph S. Imburgia** for their essay "**Bloodless Weapons? The Need to Conduct Legal Reviews of Certain Capabilities and the Implications of Defining them as 'Weapons'**" (unpublished).

In addition to the winners, one other author was cited for excellence with a Certificate of Merit: **Christian DeCock** for his essay "**Counter-Insurgency Operations in Afghanistan. What about the 'Jus ad Bellum' and the 'Jus in Bello': Is the Law Still Accurate?**" (unpublished).

For the second year in a row, the Society's Private International Law Interest Group also sponsored an award at the Annual Meeting. The ASIL Private International Law Prize recognizes the best essay submitted by someone 35 years old or younger on any topic in the field of private international law. The award went to **Adam Raviv**, counsel in Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP's Litigation and Controversy Department, for his article "**No More Excuses: Toward a Workable System of Dispositive Motions in International Arbitration.**"

"The Society is proud to host such a wide array of prizes for excellence in the field of international law," said ASIL Executive Director **Elizabeth Andersen**, "and the winners this year are truly deserving of our recognition. I commend them for their achievements, and I thank the various selection committees for fulfilling their difficult task of choosing from among so many talented candidates. As always, the Society appreciates the individual and institutional supporters of these awards and sincerely congratulates those who received them."

For more information about any of the above honorees or their work, please contact Sheila Ward, ASIL Director of Communications and Member Relations, at [sward@asil.org](mailto:sward@asil.org) or +1.202.939.6018.

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