PRESS RELEASE ESCL MASTER THESIS PRIZE 2016

FIRST PRIZE WINNER AND SECOND PRIZE WINNER AWARDED IN THE ANNUAL ESCL CONFERENCE IN LONDON

On the 7th of October, during the Annual Conference of the European Society of Construction Law (ESCL) in Vienna, the award ceremony of the ESCL Master Thesis Prize 2016 took place. The prizes were awarded by the Jury, chaired by the President of the ESCL, Dr. Gerhard Hartmann of Austria. Members of the Jury were Professor Dr. Benoît Kohl (*Professor, University of Liège and University of Paris II - Counsel, Stibbe Brussels*) and Professor Dr. Anthony P. Lavers (*Counsel, White & Case LLP, London - Visiting Professor of Law, Oxford Brookes University*) and Professor Dr. Hugues Perinet-Marquet (*professor, University of Paris II)*.

This year the jury decided to award one the First Prize Winner and a two Second Prize Winners.

First Prize was awarded to: RACHEL GRIFFITHS

Title: *"Offshore Wind Farms: The Need for a Standard Suite of Contracts"*

(University of Reading)

The Jury: "*This thesis scores highly on all four criteria. It is consistently strong and an original contribution offering possible solutions to the needs of the renewable energy industry. The research is well reported and the analysis convincing. The research is helpful for construction lawyers and professionals who deal with issues in the offshore wind industry."*

Second Prize was awarded to: SAHRA MOHAMMADI

Title: *"The Future of Green Building Contracts in Turkey"*

(Middle East Technical University)

The Jury: *"This is an in-depth research on green building. On grounds of originality and contribution to construction law and the construction industry in Turkey, this thesis scores highly."*

Second Prize was awarded to: MARTIN JOSEPH COONEY

Title: *"Challenging Mediated Settlement Agreements"*

(King's College London)

The Jury: *"The quality of analysis is very good and the research is evidently of value for countries in which mediation is not yet fully developed."*

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