



## **IALA Scholarships Committee 2015 Annual Report**

The current members of the Committee are: Barbara Garavaglia (University of Michigan), IALL Secretary (Chair); Lilia Echiverri (University of the Philippines Law Library), Board Member; David Gee (Institute of Advanced Legal Studies), Board Member; Xinh Luu (University of Virginia), IALL Treasurer; Ivo Vogel (Head of Scientific Information Service for International and Interdisciplinary Legal Research, Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin), Board Member.

This year the Committee inaugurated a new benefit for Personal members of IALL, the Member-Only Bursary. These awards are available to Personal members of IALL who have been dues paying Personal members for the current year and the two immediately preceding years. IALL plans to award up to 5 Member-Only bursaries each year. The Member-Only Bursaries, like the Regular Bursaries, are to help defray the cost of attending IALL's annual course.

The Scholarships Committee also developed and implemented online bursary application forms for both bursaries, with the assistance of Michael Lindsey and Marci Hoffman at the University of California, Berkeley. The new forms are designed to streamline the application and review process for bursary applicants. The online forms worked well; system and other issues that arose during the application period were resolved.

The Committee received 15 scholarship applications for Regular Bursaries for the Berlin conference. The following countries were represented: Brazil (1 applicant); Great Britain (1 applicant); India (4 applicants); Philippines (1 applicant); Singapore (1 applicant); Turkey (1 applicant); U.S.A. (6 applicants). As in previous years, the pool of applicants was strong and competitive. Committee members reviewed and discussed the applications via email. The decision-making process again worked smoothly and the Committee selected three winners of the Regular Bursaries:

- Ms. Rita Lam, Research Librarian, Law from the Li Ka Shing Library, Singapore Management University, Singapore
- Ms. Daisy Otic, Law Librarian from Fortun, Narvasa & Salazar Law Offices, Makati City, Philippines
- Mr. Kamil Yeşiltaş, Head of Reference Services, Law School Liaison Librarian Koç University, Suna Kıraç Library, Istanbul, Turkey

The Committee was also pleased to award 3 Member-Only Bursaries in the inaugural year of this new Personal member benefit. The recipients of the Member-Only bursaries for the Berlin conference are:

- Ms. Susan Gaultier, Foreign, Comparative, and International Law Librarian, Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Louisiana State University USA
- Mr. Jonathan Pratter, International & Foreign Law Librarian & Lecturer, Tarlton Law Library, University of Texas at Austin USA
- Ms. Bobbi A. Weaver, Foreign & International Law Reference Librarian, California Western School of Law USA

The amounts awarded for both categories of bursary were based on the budget estimates submitted by each applicant. The bursary awards also include gratis registration for the conference and optional day. This year's recipients each received the maximum award of USD\$1500.

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