



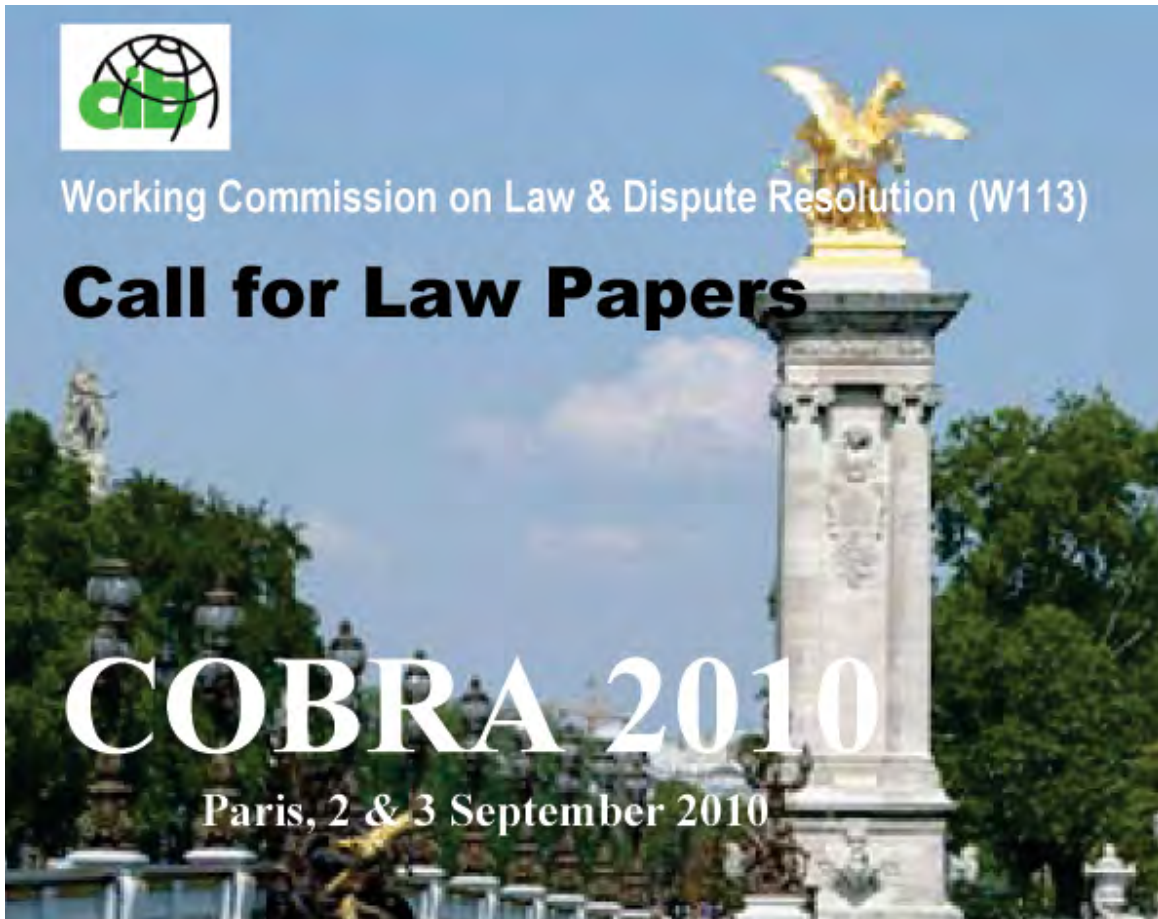
## CIB NEWS ARTICLE


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### Forthcoming Meeting





Working Commission on Law & Dispute Resolution (W113)

**Call for Law Papers**

**COBRA 2010**

Paris, 2 & 3 September 2010

#### Legal Research Symposium

CIB's Working Commission on Law & Dispute Resolution (W113) is pleased to invite colleagues to participate in its legal research symposium, to be held in Paris, Dauphine University on 2 & 3 September 2010, as part of the RICS COBRA 2010 Research Conference.

The symposium builds on the growing success of the law streams at the most recent COBRA conferences in London, UK (2006), Atlanta, USA (2007), Dublin, Ireland (2008) and Cape Town, South Africa (2009). The RICS and W113 have now entered into an ongoing

partnership for the hosting of future W113 symposia during the annual COBRA conferences.

The legal research symposium is already a regular feature at COBRA conferences with almost one third of all papers at the Cape Town COBRA 2009 conference being presented in the law subject area.

COBRA 2010 will take place at the Paris, Dauphine University. The conference banquet will be held at the nearby restaurant of the beautiful Pavillon Dauphine, on the edge of the Bois de Boulogne.

The legal research symposium is being organised in association with the Paris, Dauphine University and

with the *International Journal of Law in the Built Environment*, published by Emerald Group Publishing.

The symposium will address a broad range of legal topics which impact upon all aspects of the design, management and use of the built environment. The interdisciplinary nature of COBRA conferences ensures that delegates have the opportunity to interact with other legal scholars as well as with delegates from the many other disciplines affecting the built environment.

### Call for Papers

Contributions are invited for the 2010 symposium in Paris. These will take the form of scholarly written papers for presentation at the symposium by their authors. All contributions will be subject to prior peer-review and will also be published in the formal proceedings of the COBRA 2010 conference.

Contributions should address legal topics affecting the built environment, or the work or education of chartered surveyors. However, the scope of the symposium is deliberately wide and will accommodate the maximum possible range of subject areas and scholastic styles.

Papers may therefore adopt a black-letter approach or any other recognised form of legal scholarship. Theoretical, empirical, or socio-legal contributions are welcome as well as comparative studies of the law or practice in two or more jurisdictions. Papers may also address aspects of legal education or professional practice within a surveying or built environment context. It is expected that all papers will be accommodated within one or more of the following themes:

- Property Law
- Construction Law
- Environmental Law
- Housing Law
- Planning Law
- Building Regulation & Control
- Mediation
- Adjudication
- Professional Liability & Ethics
- Legal Education in Property & Construction
- International & Comparative Law

### Submission of Abstracts and Papers

Those wishing to contribute to the symposium are first invited to submit an abstract of their paper using the electronic template which can be downloaded [here](#). Abstracts should not exceed 300 words and should summarise the purpose, content and conclusions of the paper. They should also identify the paper's title and include between 3 and 6 keywords for indexing purposes.

Completed templates should then be submitted to: [j.d.adshead@salford.ac.uk](mailto:j.d.adshead@salford.ac.uk).

The deadline for receipt of abstracts is: Friday 2nd April 2010.

Authors will receive confirmation of acceptance of their abstract within a maximum of 2 weeks of submission.

Subject to prior approval of their abstract, authors are invited to submit their final papers to [j.d.adshead@salford.ac.uk](mailto:j.d.adshead@salford.ac.uk) for inclusion in the symposium.

The deadline for submission of final papers is: Friday 2nd July 2010.

Papers should generally be between 3,000 and 4,000 words in length but further details of the precise technical requirements will be circulated via the BEL-NET email list ([www.bel-net.org](http://www.bel-net.org)) once these are published by the COBRA conference organisers.

### W113 & Task Group Meeting

CIB Working Commission W113 will also hold a separate planning meeting during the symposium. All symposium delegates are most welcome to attend this meeting and to contribute to discussions about the Commission's future direction. The meeting will be held jointly with the following CIB Task Groups:

- TG67 – Construction Adjudication
- TG68 – Construction Mediation
- TG69 – Green Buildings & the Law

### Additional Information

Useful websites:

- Symposium homepage - [www.cobra2010.com](http://www.cobra2010.com)
- CIB Working Commission on Law & Dispute Resolution (W113) - [www.cib113.com](http://www.cib113.com)
- Journal of Law in the Built Environment - [www.ijlbe.com](http://www.ijlbe.com)
- Built Environment Law Network (BEL-NET) - [www.bel-net.org](http://www.bel-net.org)

Further information about the event can be obtained from Julie Adshead (Chair, Legal Research Symposium) [j.d.adshead@salford.ac.uk](mailto:j.d.adshead@salford.ac.uk)

