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Floor plan of Level 3 of the Huxley Building, Imperial College London

IMPORTANT
Please note that no food or drinks (other than water) can be taken into the lecture theatre (Room 311)
MONDAY

9.00am Opening Ceremony on the Queen’s Lawn, Imperial College.
9.10am Ceremony begins, with speeches by Flag Institute President, Malcolm Farrow, and FIAV President, Michel Lupant.
9.30am Group Photograph taken on the steps of the Queen’s Tower.
10.00am Coffee, tea and biscuits in Room 341/342, companions welcome.
10.30am Annie Platoff Little Leninists: flags, symbols, and the political socialization of Soviet children
11.00am Tiago José Berg Vexillology with high school students
11.30am Ted Kaye American city flag redesign: a welcome change
12.00pm Kevin Harrington Flags and the Anniversaries of 2017: myths, mistakes, misconceptions
12.30pm Lunch in Room 341/342.
2.00pm Christopher Maddish Colour coding and new vexillological avenues for flag design
2.30pm Pierre-Jean Guionin The new edition of Album des pavillons et des marques distinctives
3.00pm Victor Lomantsov Flags of trade-unions’ sport societies in the USSR
3.30pm Coffee, tea and biscuits in Room 341/342.
4.00pm Sekhar Chakrabarti Variant of dominant political party flag as national flag: confusions and controversies - a case study
4.30pm John Cartledge Red for danger
5.00pm End of Lectures.
6.30pm Welcome BBQ to Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Inception of FIAV on the roof terrace of Baden-Powell House, Queen’s Gate. See page 10 for details (map on back cover).
Tuesday

9.00am  Ralph Bartlett  Flags by King for Country

9.30am  Rachel Phelan  What's up with the big green flag? The conservation of the flag of the Irish Republic

10.00am  Roberto Breschi  A vexillological treasure in Florence, Italy

10.30am  Coffee, tea and biscuits in Room 341/342.

11.00am  Manuela Schmöger  kommunalflaggen.eu - a Wiki about municipal flags

11.30am  Scot Guenter  Historical shifts and emergent paradigms: tradition, ideology, sources of power and influence in flag studies

12.00pm  Alan Hardy  The standard colour set, a common ratio, contrast and individualities

12.30pm  Lunch in Room 341/342.

2.00pm  Ralph Kelly  A flag for Empire

2.30pm  Cédric de Fougerolle  Ex-libris and vexillology

3.00pm  Ladislav Hnát  Party flags, colours and logos in the 8th European Parliament

3.30pm  Coffee, tea and biscuits in Room 341/342.

4.00pm  Pluethipol Prachumphol  History of the Thai flag

4.15pm  Heraldry Society of Slovenia  ICV29 bid - supporting presentation

4.25pm  Genealogical Society of Ireland  ICV29 bid - supporting presentation

4.35pm  End of Lectures.

4.40pm  25th General Assembly of FIAV in Room 311.
All-day excursion to Royal Greenwich, travelling by coach and returning by Thames Clipper to Westminster Pier, next to the Palace of Westminster. You will need an Oyster Card or contactless credit/debit card to pay the Underground fare from Westminster to your hotel, and for the Docklands Light Railway (DLR), if you choose to use it in Greenwich.

8.30am Coaches leave Imperial College from near the Queen’s Lawn.
10.00am Arrival at Royal Greenwich (Blackheath Gate) for a guided walking tour (1.2 miles - flat/gentle downhill) including the Royal Observatory (the Prime Meridian, Flamsteed House, great views), the Old Royal Naval College (the Painted Hall and Chapel) and the tea clipper, *Cutty Sark*.
1.00pm Tour ends and those who are having lunch walk to Davy’s Wine Vaults (161 Greenwich High Road, Greenwich, London SE10 8JS) - about 15 minutes, or take the DLR from Cutty Sark Station to Greenwich Station (fare £1.50) - organisers will go with each group.
3.45pm People at leisure to explore the NMM, the Queen’s House and Greenwich Park.

Everyone is provided with a ticket for a one-way river trip back to Westminster Pier. People can board the Thames Clipper at their leisure - they run every 20 minutes in the afternoon (last service at 9.29pm) from the Greenwich Pier, near the *Cutty Sark*. From Westminster Underground Station, next to Westminster Pier, you can catch the Circle or District line (westbound) back to South Kensington or Gloucester Road Underground Stations (fare £2.40).
THURSDAY

9.00am  Marcel van Westerhoven  Polderboard flags - requiem for a dream
9.30am  Bruce Berry  The beloved green and white – (white) Rhodesia’s search for a unique symbol of identity
10.00am  Stoyan Antonov  Flags of Bulgarian municipalities
10.30am  Coffee, tea and biscuits in Room 341/342.
11.00am  Hervé Calvarin  Doubts and certainties in vexillology
11.30am  Jos Poels  Evolution of the Gambian flag
12.00pm  David Chkheidze  The flags of contemporary Georgia: the flag of the Abkhaz Territory
12.30pm  Lunch in Room 341/342.
2.00pm  Aleš Brožek  The survey of flags used by rowing clubs in the Czech Republic
2.30pm  Avelino Couceiro Rodriguez  Cuba and Puerto Rico: Two flags, two wings of a single bird
3.00pm  Patrice de La Condamine  Flags and the woman
3.30pm  Coffee, tea and biscuits in Room 341/342.
4.00pm  Uroš Žižmund  Two flags, two proposals: a new system of national and rank flags of Slovenia
4.30pm  Stan Zamyatin  County flags of Ireland
5.00pm  End of Lectures.
5.05pm  Flags of the World Meeting in Room 311, continuing in the FiveSixEight bar and café in Beit Quadrangle.
6.00pm  Memorial Service for Dr Whitney Smith, co-founder of FIAV, in Holy Trinity Church, Prince Consort Road (see map on back cover).
FRIDAY
11th August

9.00am  Željko Heimer  Historical origins of contemporary Croatian municipal flags
9.30am  Tony Burton  Budgie smuggling and flag mayhem in Malaysia
10.00am Alain Raulet  The third way of raising flags in Brittany
10.30am Coffee, tea and biscuits in Room 341/342.
11.00am Roman Klimeš  Symbols of the Bohemian Olympic Committee 1912
11.30am Carlos Alberto Morales-Ramirez  Zoogeographic vexillology of North America: exploring endemism in sub-national flags
12.00pm Nicolas Hugot  A journey through constitutional vexillology
12.30pm Lunch in Room 341/342.
2.00pm Xinfeng Zhao  The flags of Genghis Khan
2.15pm Peter Hans van den Muijzenberg  Five rings to bring them all: a presentation of the Olympic Flag
2.30pm Attila István Szekeres  The evolution of the Szekeler flag in the last four centuries
3.00pm Coffee, tea and biscuits in Room 341/342.
3.30pm Rob Raeside  Sub-national flags in Canada
4.00pm Aleksander Hribovšek  The new Association flag and the flags of the officers (Heraldry Society of Slovenia)
4.10pm Theun Okkerse  The obverse and reverse paradox
4.20pm Vexillological Association of the State of Texas  ICV28, San Antonio 2019
4.30pm End of Lectures.
7.00pm Farewell Aperitif and Closing Banquet at the Royal Horseguards Hotel. See page 10 for details.
Companion Programme

Monday

High on Hampstead Heath, surrounded by peaceful landscaped gardens, Kenwood House is one of London’s hidden gems, with stunning interiors, an art collection of international importance, and magnificent views over the city.

10.45am Coach leaves Imperial College for Kenwood House. Board the coach on Imperial College Road, by the Queen’s Tower.
11.45pm Buffet lunch - sandwiches, fruit platter, scones with jam & clotted cream, juice, tea/coffee.
1.00pm Explore the house and gardens.
3.00pm Coach leaves Kenwood House for the return to Imperial College.

Tuesday

Kensington Palace has been a royal residence since the 17th century and is now the official home of William, Kate and Harry. There’s lots to see and do here - including the King’s Gallery, the White Garden, and special exhibitions on Queen Victoria, The Enlightened Princesses - Caroline, Augusta and Charlotte and Diana: Her Fashion Story.

9.30am Leave Imperial College - meet in reception at the Huxley Building.
10.00am Explore the Palace (self-guided).
11.30am Tea/coffee and scones in the elegant Orangery.
12.30pm Back to the Palace - your ticket gives unlimited day access.
2.00pm Lunch - at a local café/restaurant (not included in Companion fee).
3.30pm Return via Kensington Palace Gardens, St Mary Abbots Church, Kensington Square, then quiet streets and mews to Imperial College; or free to explore - leave the programme at any time from 12.30pm onwards.
**Thursday**

Optional walking tour: **Albert Memorial, Hyde Park, Wellington Arch & Apsley House.** Note: admissions/refreshments not included in Companion fee - Wellington Arch £5.00, Apsley House £9.30, Combined £11.20.

9.00am Leave Imperial College - meet in reception at the Huxley Building.
9.15am Albert Memorial and stroll through the Flower Walk, Hyde Park.
9.45am Serpentine Café for a lakeside tea/coffee.
10.30am Wellington Arch - this spectacular arch was originally built as an entrance to Buckingham Palace; great panoramas over London. There is a lift within the arch for those who don’t want to take the stairs.
11.30am Apsley House - enjoy glittering interiors and fabulous art at the Duke of Wellington’s house, the capital’s grandest address, known as ‘№1 London’.
1.00pm Free to explore - Knightsbridge / Harrods, Buckingham Palace / Royal Gallery with Canaletto exhibition / Royal Mews, St James’s, Mayfair, etc. Note that you will need to book online, in advance, to visit the Palace (tickets £23.00).

**Friday**

Opened in 1871, the **Royal Albert Hall** is one of the world’s most famous concert halls. Visit the Queen’s private box and suites and discover the Hall’s rich history, legendary performances and stunning architecture.

10.00am Leave Imperial College - meet in reception at the Huxley Building.
10.15am Arrive at Door 12, at the back of the Royal Albert Hall.
10.30am Royal Albert Hall, Grand Tour.
11.30am Tea/coffee and a Danish pastry.
12.30pm Free to explore - from here, you are within easy walking distance of the V&A, Science Museum and Natural History Museum.
SOCIAL EVENTS

**Post-registration Get-together**

After registration closes at 6pm on Sunday evening, why not join us in *FiveSixEight*, the student bar and café in Beit Quadrangle for an informal get-together? You will need your Congress ID for the bar. You can eat here too.

**50th Anniversary of the Inception of FIAV BBQ**

On Monday evening, the Flag Institute is hosting a BBQ at Baden-Powell House (65-67 Queen’s Gate, South Kensington, SW7 5JS - see map on rear cover) to welcome everyone to London and to mark the 50th anniversary of the inception of FIAV at ICV2 in Zürich, Switzerland. We will have a toast to FIAV followed by a BBQ and salad. A cash bar will be available.

Everyone is welcome. Please arrive at Baden-Powell House at 6.30pm. It is a 5 to 10 minute walk from the Congress (250 yards). The roof terrace is on the 2nd floor, and there is a lift from the lobby. *The dress code is smart casual.*

**Closing Banquet**

On Friday evening, the traditional closing banquet will be held at the Royal Horseguards Hotel (1 Whitehall Court, Westminster, SW1A 2EJ), overlooking the River Thames. The easiest way to get there is by Underground or taxi. By Underground it is on the same *Circle* and *District* lines as South Kensington and Gloucester Road (fare £2.40). Travel eastbound and get off at Embankment Underground Station and the hotel is less than 100 yards from the station (see map on the right). Allow about twenty minutes for the journey.

We’ll start with a welcome drink in the Reading and Writing Room of the old National Liberal Club at 7pm, before going through for our meal in the Gladstone Library at 7.30pm. Wine and water will be served with the meal, but a cash bar will be available. *The dress code is black tie, lounge suit or smart casual.* *Decorations may be worn.*
PLACES TO EAT

In addition to the FiveSixEight bar and café in Beit Quadrangle, here are some other local restaurants and cafés you might want to try:

**Carluccio’s**  
Italian restaurant & café  
0.6 miles from Imperial College  
1-3 Old Brompton Road, SW7 3HZ  
✆ 020 7581 8101  
Mon - Fri 07:30 - 23:30, Sat 09:00 - 23:30, Sun 09:00 - 22:30

**Pizza Express**  
Pizza restaurant  
0.4 miles from Imperial College  
88 Cromwell Road, SW7 4EN  
✆ 020 3040 1840  
Sun - Mon 11:30 - 22:30, Tue - Sat 11:30 - 23:30

**Gourmet Burger Kitchen**  
Burger restaurant serving beef, chicken or veggie burgers  
0.7 miles from Imperial College  
107 Old Brompton Road, SW7 3LE  
✆ 020 7581 8942  
Mon - Sat 11:00 - 23:00, Sun 11:00 - 22:00

**Cacciari’s**  
Italian restaurant & café  
0.5 miles from Imperial College  
82 Old Brompton Road, SW7 3LQ  
✆ 020 7052 9046  
Sun - Thu 08:00 - 23:00, Fri - Sat 08:00 - 23:30

**El Gaucho**  
Argentine steakhouse  
0.5 miles from Imperial College  
30 Old Brompton Road, SW7 3DL  
✆ 020 7584 8999  
Mon - Fri 17:00 - 23:00, Sat 12:00 - 23:00, Sun 12:00 - 22:30

**La Brasserie**  
French restaurant & café  
0.8 miles from Imperial College  
272 Brompton Road, SW3 2AW  
✆ 020 7581 3089  
Mon - Sat 09:00 - 23:00, Sun 09:00 - 22:30

**Comptoir Libanais**  
Lebanese canteen  
0.5 miles from Imperial College  
1-5 Exhibition Road, SW7 2HE  
✆ 020 7225 5006  
Mon - Sat 08:30 - midnight, Sun 08:30 - 22:30

**Wasabi**  
Japanese sushimi and sushi café & takeaway  
0.5 miles from Imperial College  
21 Old Brompton Road, SW7 3HZ  
✆ 020 7225 3880  
Mon - Sat 10:30 - 22:00, Sun 10:30 - 21:00

**Brutti & Boni**  
Italian restaurant & café  
0.3 miles from Imperial College  
14 Gloucester Road, SW7 4RB  
✆ 020 7589 2260  
Mon - Fri 08:00 - 21:00, Sat 09:00 - 21:00, Sun 10:00 - 17:00

**MK Bar & Grill**  
Restaurant & café  
0.3 miles from Imperial College London  
23-35 Gloucester Road, SW7 4PL  
✆ 020 7589 1383  
Mon - Sat 08:30 - 23:00, Sun 08:30 - 22:30
HOW TO GET AROUND LONDON

How to use an Oyster Card

London’s transport systems do not use cash - they use Oyster Cards or contactless credit/debit cards. Oyster cards cost £5 (a refundable deposit). You can buy them and add credit, using a credit/debit card or notes, at Underground Stations (ask a member of staff for help if needed), or at Oyster Ticket Stops in some shops. If your credit/debit card charges a fee for each overseas transaction, you will find it cheaper to use an Oyster Card, topped up in larger amounts, rather than charge individual fares to your card. The system automatically calculates the lowest fare, including using a travelcard, and will cap your charges at that rate. The ICV27 Helpdesk will also have Oyster Cards for sale - cost £15 (£10 credit + £5 refundable deposit).

Using buses

Whether using a contactless card or an Oyster Card the system is the same. When you board the bus you will see a circular yellow reader pad next to the driver, or next to the door on some buses. You just touch your card on it and it will register. You only need to touch once on a bus as all journeys cost £1.50. If you touch in on another bus within one hour of your first touch in you won’t be charged again. Note that you can’t touch in twice with the same card to pay the fare for two people, you need two cards.

Some useful bus routes from the Congress are: from Bus Stop RL (in Hyde Park, opposite the Royal Albert Hall) the №9 towards the West End, via Harrods, Piccadilly, Pall Mall, Trafalgar Square and the Strand (this is a 24-hour service) and the №10 towards King’s Cross via Hyde Park Corner, Park Lane, Marble Arch, Oxford Street, British Museum and the British Library; from Bus Stop RZ (in Prince Consort Road) the №360 towards the Imperial War Museum via Sloane Square, the Royal Hospital Chelsea (for the National Army Museum) and Pimlico Station (for Tate Britain). On your return, get off at Bus Stop RC “Royal Albert Hall”.
Using the Underground / DLR (Docklands Light Railway)

On the Underground it’s slightly more complex as the fares differ depending on which zones you are travelling through and whether you are travelling at peak times. You touch in at the entrance gates but must touch out at the exit gate when you leave the system, otherwise the system will assume you took the longest journey possible!

The nearest Underground stations to the Congress are Gloucester Road and South Kensington, which are on the **Circle**, **District** and **Piccadilly** lines and in Zone 1.

Using taxis

London’s famous black cabs can be hired by just sticking your hand out. The cabs that are available for hire show a yellow light at the front. All the fares are metered in black cabs (which don’t have to be black nowadays), and the rates change depending on the time of day. Late evenings and weekends are more expensive than day time. The fares are non-negotiable. Nowadays all cabs accept credit/debit cards for payment, and there is no surcharge for using cards. A black cab will take a minimum of five people, and the larger metro-cabs can take six.

It’s usual to tip in black cabs and minicabs. Around ten percent (with a minimum of 50p) is an acceptable amount. You can either pay through the internal window, or get out and pay the driver through the front window.

Uber cars also operate in London, but these are not regulated. There are also minicabs, but by law these can only be hired through their office (either in person or by phone). If a non-black cab stops and offers you a ride please be aware that they are breaking the law and may not even be a proper minicab.
EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Fire Safety in the University

The fire alarm in the Huxley Building is tested at 7.45am on Fridays. If it sounds at any other time please exit the building and make your way quickly to the corner of Queen’s Gate and Prince Consort Road, where we will hold a roll call. Please do not use the lifts in the event of a fire.

If you discover a fire in the Huxley Building please inform one of the organisers who will call the Fire Brigade and start evacuation procedures.

We do not expect the fire alarms to be tested in either Baden-Powell House or the Royal Horseguards Hotel whilst we are there, so if they do go off please follow the instructions of the members of staff present. Again please do not use the lifts in the event of a fire.

Security and First Aid in the University

You can contact an emergency first aider or College Security on extension 4444 on an internal phone or 020 7589 1000 on any other phone.

How to call Emergency Services

In the United Kingdom, you can call the police, fire brigade, ambulance or coastguard (for river rescue) by calling 999 from most phones, although internal phones may require you to dial an extra 9 to get an outside line. On mobiles the number is 112 (although 999 should work as well). The operator will ask you which service you require - police, fire, ambulance or coastguard, and put you through to the control centre for that service.

If you have a non-emergency medical problem you can dial 111 for NHS Direct who can offer help and guidance. They may advise you to attend the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital - St Mary’s Hospital in Paddington, which is on the north side of Hyde Park (take a taxi).

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