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MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT:

The Executive Council of the ISFL met in Modena in March 2006. We had a good meeting and afterwards a wonderful Italian/Toscanian dinner, that our colleague prof. Maria Donata Panforti offered us. We discussed many issues, among which the co-option of new council members (Prof. Velina Todorova from Bulgaria, Prof. Noor Aziah Md Awal from Malaysia and Prof. David Bradley from the UK), the next International conference to be held in Vienna (the convenor is Prof. Bea Verschraegen), the next regional conferences, among them the one in Chester in July 2007 (convenor is Prof. Roger Kay, r.kay@chester.ac.uk) and many other issues. The secretary-general will tell you more about that in her message.

We owe Dr. Andrew Bainham many thanks on behalf of not only all ISFL-members, but also on behalf of all who do comparative research and read the International Survey of Family Law. For many years he has done a great job by editing this book. Those of us who have edited a book before, know how extremely difficult it is to collect all the contributions and to standardize them. Andrew has done this for more than 10 years. In this case Andrew had to cooperate with many contributors all over the world and he had to spread the contributions over as many countries and continents as possible. Andrew, it is really great what you have done for ISFL and its members. I know that some criticize the book: it should more focus on themes and it should be written in French too, but to my opinion it is a great gift to our members to receive such a rich book every year. We may not forget how important the International Survey is for the work of ISFL. More than 3/4 of the Society's income is spent on the Survey, which is sent to all the members of the Society free of charge. Therefore, it is necessary to keep the expenditures of ISFL as low as possible and to collect all the subscriptions. So, please help the treasurer by paying at his request and to keep your address at the membership list updated. With regard to the treasury, I am glad to announce that we succeeded in finding a new treasurer. As you may know I was the treasurer of

ISFL since the Opatija Conference in 1991, organized by Prof. Dr. Petar Sarcevic, who died so suddenly. The combination of two functions was too much, so we tried to find a successor. Fortunately, we found Ad van der Linden willing to become the new treasurer. He will also keep the membership list updated.

The question arises if our Society should still be satisfied with a membership of about 550. I think that each of us should try to increase the number of members from certain European countries, especially from Eastern Europe and from Asia, Africa and Central and South America. If you know people who might be interested in ISFL, please mention them to me or contact them your self.

I wish you a lot of success in your work and much happiness in your family and private life.

With kind regards,

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL:

Dear Colleagues:

The Executive Council has recently undertaken two new policy-making initiatives. A subcommittee on co-options (M. Antokolskaia, C. Bruch, O. Dyuzheva, B. Verschraegen, P. Vlaardingerbroek) is drafting guidelines on the co-option of new Council members. The Society's by-laws require that the Executive Council should reflect the Society's international character to the extent possible and give the Executive Council the power to appoint members "as it may deem necessary or desirable." The Council has historically used its co-option power to add members from

geographically under-represented areas and with special expertise. The co-options subcommittee will consider procedures for identifying individual co-option candidates and the special problems of ensuring African, Asian, and Latin American representation on the Council.

Another new subcommittee (C. Bruch, M. Casals Martin, M. Garrison, P. Parkinson, P. Vlaardingerbroek, L. Wardle) is looking into problems associated with conferences convened in nations with policies that discriminate based on race, religion, or national origin. The subcommittee will draft principles to guide the selection of ISFL conference venues and criteria for advertising non-ISFL conferences in the Society's newsletter and on its website.

Both of these subcommittees will report to the Executive Council at its next meeting on April 14, 2007. If you have thoughts on either of these policy-making initiatives that you would like the relevant subcommittee to consider, please communicate with one of its members soon.

Some time during the next few months, a volume of papers from the Society's very successful 2005 World Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah will become available. The volume, approximately 800 pages, contains a wide range of Conference papers. Its projected cost is \$72 for ISFL members and \$80 for nonmembers.

Planning is also underway for the Society's next World Conference in Vienna, Austria on July 22-26, 2008. The conference will focus on "Family Law and Family Finance." A link to the conference site is already available on the ISFL's website, and as more detailed information about the social and scientific program for the conference becomes available, it will be posted there.

The ISFL's website also has several new features. First, the site now has a "secure" portion which contains the International Survey. This new feature, which requires a user name and password, offers all Society members the opportunity to access the Survey electronically. Second, the English and Spanish-language versions of the site are now linked. By clicking a language-choice button, a visitor may access news about the Society in either language. These sites are not identical; each includes news and announcements of special interest to their readership. Planning is also underway for a

Russian-language version of the ISFL website that will also include area-specific content.

No matter what language you elect to read it in, the Society's website will continue to provide information about ISFL publications, conferences and news, and well as other conferences of interest to our members. It is worth checking the site from time to time to see what's new.

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Adriaan van der Linden from the University of Utrecht has kindly consented to be the treasurer for the next period (and possibly for a longer period), and has been approved by the Executive Council. Adriaan is also deputy judge in the Court of Appeal in Den Bosch and deputy judge in the District Court of Amsterdam.. He has been to all the world ISFL-conferences since Durban.

His report follows:

Dear colleagues,

Please note that within three months you will receive a reminder to pay your subscription, unless you have already paid for the coming year(s). If you wish to be deleted as member, which I hope you don't, send me a letter before the end of November 2006.

Unfortunately there are still members who have moved without sending their new address. This takes me a lot of unnecessary time and results in extra costs for ISFL.

Please send me your full new address and preferably also your fax number and e-mail address. We try to keep the membership list updated and with your help we can succeed in that. If you change your address or if you want to be deleted as member, please send me a message as soon as possible, but before the end of November 2006. If you know interested persons who want to become a member, I can send you the application/subscription form, both in the English or in the French Language.

If you might doubt about whether you paid or not,

please write or mail me (a.vanderlinden@uu.nl). We do have the possibility to pay for 5 years. Many members choose for this opportunity, which will save you and the ISFL costs. I hope the Society is able to keep the amount of € 35000, as a minimum amount for 'dark' years.

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REPORT OF THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

So far, no one has responded to the Council's invitation to all members to send me pieces for inclusion in the Newsletter describing developments in their countries. Short pieces describing interesting developments in various countries will enhance the knowledge of all the membership, will supplement the excellent Annual Survey in a timely way, and in addition may serve as a publication for more junior members. I am accordingly pleased to solicit short articles (less than 1000 words) on developments in various countries, and will endeavor to publish at least one each issue, depending upon the number of submissions and their lengths. The Council would be particularly pleased to receive submissions from outside Europe and North America.

The Council will address the topic of an official nondiscrimination policy at its next meeting in April of 2007. A subcommittee consisting of Paul Vlaaderingerbroek, Marsha Garrison, Patrick Parkinson, Miguel Martin-Casals, and Lynn Wardle will be formulating a draft before meeting. Another issue that will be discussed deals with paid advertisements and promotion of educational programs in the newsletter.

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Website Updates: First, our computer experts here at BYU Law School have added the link for the "2008

ISFL 13th World Conference in Vienna" at <http://www.law2.byu.edu/ISFL/conferences.php>.

Second, we now have a "secure" section of the ISFL website. To access it the username is "ISFL" (in capitals), and the password is "ISFL2006" (again, in capitals, as the lock is case-sensitive). We have put on that secure section the "International Survey of Family Law -2006 Edition" pdf file that you sent a few weeks ago. It is now linked on the secure page link at <https://www.law2.byu.edu/isfl/members.php>. I invite you all to try it.

Third, Peg, in the next ISFL newsletter, would you please publish notice to the members of the username and password needed to access the secure information section of the ISFL website?

The American Association of Law School, Family Law Section Website is now available at <http://www.uiowa.edu/~mfblaw/aals.html>. Section members have provided material, but more suggestions would be welcome, including links, class materials, exams you don't mind being generally available, or anything else you'd like to supply. You may write her at brinig.1@nd.edu, and may attach electronic versions of any submissions.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES & CALLS FOR PAPERS:

First International Congress of IBDFAM that will be held in Brasilia, from November 15th to 18th, 2006.

The theme: The Family beyond the Myths.

The name of the conference is - Emotions, Sexuality and Violence: Deconstructing the Mystification of the Family.

For further information, Please contact Giselle Groeninga [giselle@attglobal.net].

NOTICE AND CALL FOR PAPERS:

A Symposium on "Children's Rights and Adoption" is scheduled to convene on Friday, March 2, 2007, at the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University. The topic is intended to be broad, to allow prospective presenters to develop a topic relating to adoption law that they are interested in, perhaps working on already. Presentations already scheduled to be included will address proposed revisions to the ICPC, the new US rules regulating International Adoption, and narratives about children's concerns about lesbigay adoption. Law school and related

faculty and professional are invited to attend and to propose papers for presentation. The nominal registration costs (\$50 - to cover food, snacks, materials, etc.) will be waived for persons selected to present their papers. Persons interested in presenting should send a one-page abstract containing their name, institutional identification, contact information, a "working title" and a 1-or-2 paragraph description of the paper they propose to present. Proposals should be sent to Professor Lynn D. Wardle, BYU Law School, via email at lynn_wardle@byu.edu before November 30, 2006. The symposium papers should range from approximately 10,000 - 20,000 words in length, drafts must be submitted electronically at least 3 days before the symposium for website posting, and final versions of the papers must be submitted for publication four weeks after the symposium. We expect to arrange for publication of the timely-submitted papers in a law journal mini-symposium issue.

Commission on European Family Law
University of Oslo
Thursday 7th – Saturday 9th June 2007
Oslo University, Norway
<http://www2.law.uu.nl/priv/cefl>

The CEFL's third conference is centered on four themes currently at the forefront of policy debate and academic discussion. The harmonization of family law in Europe, in particular in the Nordic countries, and the USA forms the basis for the first general theme. The second core topic of discussion will be the rights of children and the responsibilities owed to them. Papers will also be presented on the recent developments in cross-border family matters and finally the position of cohabitants upon the termination of their relationship either by means of death or dissolution will be addressed. This last topic has also been chosen as CEFL's third working field.

At the previous two CEFL conferences which took place in 2002 and 2004 particular attention was paid to the methodological aspects of the development of a European family law. In this context the first Principles in the field of divorce and maintenance between former spouses were discussed. At the third CEFL conference the second set of Principles regarding parental responsibilities will be presented. Once again this conference will provide selected young researchers the opportunity to present their research in three parallel

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working groups.

In short, this conference will focus on contemporary European family law from a truly comparative perspective and enable the continued exchange of ideas regarding future challenges.

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CALL FOR PAPERS:

**NORTH-AMERICAN REGIONAL
CONFERENCE
JUNE 18-20, 2007
VANCOUVER, B.C.**

**“MAKING FAMILY LAW: FACTS, VALUES,
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When the facts are clear and legislative values uncontroversial, it is relatively easy to design workable, cost-effective legal standards. But family law almost invariably involves contested facts and controversial values. Conference papers should address these special problems in the development of legal standards to govern family relationships. International and comparative approaches are encouraged but not required. The conference theme is inclusive, and papers may explore contested values (for example, individual autonomy vs. relational community, parents' rights vs. children's rights), facts (for example, the nature of cohabitation, the benefits and harms associated with divorce) or practical issues (for example, the relative advantages of discretion vs. rules, dispute resolution methods) in the context of either private rights and obligations (custody, property division, support) or public regulation of the family.

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: March 1, 2007.

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS OF NOTE BY ISFL MEMBERS:

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Cynthia Mabry and Lisa Kelly have authored the first American casebook on adoption law: **Adoption Law: Theory, Policy and Practice** (William S. Hein and Co.). The expected publishing date is November 2006.

NOTE: The Newsletter will publish notices of recent publications dealing with family law topics if the following information—Name of author, title of article or chapter, title of book or journal in which it is published, the volume and pages, the year of publication (and if the title of the article, chapter and/or book or journal is not in English a translation of the same into English - so that the entry can be placed in the appropriate category)—is sent to Prof. Laurence C. Nolan, Howard University School of Law, 2900 Van Ness Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20008; 202-806-8428 (fax); lnolan@law.howard.edu (e-mail).

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Nigel Lowe announces the 10th edition of *Lowe and Douglas Bromley's Family Law* is being published by Oxford University Press later this month.

An op-ed article that *Lynn Wardle* wrote was invited to write about the federal and state marriage amendment movement was published today (24 July) on the "Jurist" website, which is an excellent source of national and international legal news, developments, and commentary. I thought you might be interested in my op-ed piece, so I am sending a link to it to you, FYI. The direct link is <http://jurist.law.pitt.edu/forum/>, or use the link to the Jurist main homepage at <http://jurist.law.pitt.edu/paperchase/>, then click on "commentary" to get to the op-eds.

Miguel Martin-Casals has published *Children in Tort Law, Part I: Children as Tortfeasors*, 476 pp. (Miquel Martin-Casals, ed. 2006). It is volume 17 of *Tort and Insurance Law* project sponsored by the European Centre of Tort and Insurance Law. He also co-authored the country report on *Children as Tortfeasors in Spanish Law*, pp. 369 - 413, and the *Comparative Report*, pp. 421-465 in the same volume, and *Miquel Martín-Casals and Jordi Ribot, Ehe und Scheidung in Spanien nach den Reformen von 2005*, ("Matrimony and Divorce in Spain after the 2005 Reforms"), *Zeitschrift für das gesamten Familienrecht*, 18, 2006, p. 1331-1336 .

Barbara Woodhouse, as noted above in the announcement of the conference celebrating her book, has

published *Children's Rights and American Values* (Princeton University Press).

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Personal Notices:

Nick Bala has been named one of two winners of the Queen's University Prize for Research Excellence for 2006.

Nina Dethloff has have been appointed as an ad-hoc-judges at the European Court of Human Rights.

David Meyer is presenting the first annual Weyrauch Distinguished Lecture in Family Law at the Center on Children and Families, University of Florida on November 2, 2006. The Center named this lecture series in honor of Professor Walter Weyruach, a beloved colleague and an early member of the International Society of Family Law, who is

retiring from teaching family law at UF after almost forty years.

In February 2006, *Elaine E. Sutherland* took up her appointment as Professor of Child and Family Law at the School of Law, University of Stirling, Scotland (elaine.sutherland@stir.ac.uk). She will research and teach in Scotland, January thru June, continuing as a Professor of Law at Lewis and Clark Law School, Portland, Oregon (es@lclark.edu), for the other half of the year.