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Meeting in Kyiv at Ukrainian Bar Association on 16th December 2019

The British Law Centre is delighted to be visiting Kyiv to start teaching the **2019-2020 Diploma in English Law & Legal Skills**. The Diploma is described in more detail below, but first we wish to say a few words about an event happening on **16/12/19**.

The first meeting of the Diploma course happens on **Monday 16th December (17.00-21.00)**. It takes place at the **UBA offices on 6 Khreshchatyk street**. We wish to invite UBA members who may be interested in joining the Diploma course to participate in the first meeting.

Upon enrolment, the Diploma's participants gain access to a [dedicated website](#) containing course materials, questions for discussion (during teaching visits) and practical skills exercises. If you have not yet enrolled, we would like to provide you with some materials in advance of the first meeting, to allow you to see what we will be discussing on 16/12. If you don't have time to prepare and simply wish to listen, no problem, but you may find the visit more understandable and more enjoyable if you are able to read something in advance.

We will begin the meeting by discussing the UK's (unwritten) constitution. We are enabling you to access some of the [reading materials](#) for this discussion and the [discussion questions](#) even without needing to be enrolled on the course/website. Simply click on the hyperlinks in this sentence.

We then start preparing a court case (R v Plumb). This will be the first of 3 (monthly) legal skills sessions which use this case as the backdrop to teach: case analysis; witness handling; oral advocacy and making speeches to judges and arbitrators. Even if you're not a trial lawyer, it will also help you to plan negotiations tactics and improve your public speaking in general. You will also learn a lot about English procedural rules, which are very different to those which apply in Ukraine. The materials for this are available [here](#) and a nice speech (by the author of the world-famous book on advocacy skills *The Devil's Advocate* is available by clicking [here](#).

NB. If you aren't able to prepare, don't worry. You are perfectly welcome to come and watch/listen and to participate as much or as little as you feel comfortable doing.

I hope that this invitation suffices to whet your appetite for some more English law/skills training and that we will meet not only on 16th December but also regularly thereafter on the Diploma's monthly teaching visits.

For further information about the Diploma, please continue reading below. To inform your colleagues and friends about this event on Facebook, please click [here](#):

Kind regards,
Dr. Steve Terrett (Course Director)

Diploma in English Law & Legal Skills (www.BrtishLawCentre.co.uk)

The Diploma teaches core issues of English law (including contract law, torts and trusts) and helps the participants to build/improve their portfolio of practical legal skills (including case management, legal writing, contract drafting, oral advocacy and others). The course materials are prepared by experts in their respective fields, including by academic staff of the University of Cambridge and are available on a dedicated course website.



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The Diploma is taught by English lawyers who visit Kyiv one a month, especially to deliver 8 teaching visits, each of which lasts 4 hours. Each visit includes aspects of substantive law teaching and legal skills training.

The Diploma's teaching visits timetable for Kyiv is below:

BLC Teaching Timetable 2019-2020			Location (unless notified otherwise in advance): 6 Khreshchatyk street, office 2, Kyiv, 01001		Substantive Law *	Legal Skill #
Monday	16 th	December	17.00-21.00*	Visit 1	English Legal System	Fact Management Litigation Strategy
Monday	13 th	January	17.00-21.00	Visit 2	English Legal System	Oral advocacy
Monday	3 rd	February	17.00-21.00	Visit 3	Contract Law	Oral advocacy
Monday	24 th	February	17.00-21.00	Visit 4	Contract Law	Contract Negotiations
Monday	16 th	March	17.00-21.00	Visit 5	Contract Law	Contract Drafting
Monday	6 th	April	17.00-21.00	Visit 6	Trusts	Client interviewing
Monday	18 th	May	17.00-21.00	Visit 7	Tort Law	Legal writing
To be discussed and mutually agreed with Diploma participants. Probably 8 th June or a date in September, as the participants prefer.				Visit 8	Tort Law	Legal writing

The British Law Centre (BLC) is organised by an educational charity based at the University of Cambridge, Faculty of Law. Its members include Lord Carnwath of the UK's Supreme Court and other distinguished members of the judiciary and academia. Its Academic Committee is presided over by Professor Richard Fentiman of the Faculty of Law at Cambridge University.

The Diploma is aimed at law students, trainee and practising lawyers, and anyone wishing to improve their English language, legal terminology, comparative law knowledge or legal skills. Whether you wish to practise as a lawyer or simply improve your written and spoken English whilst developing a range of other skills, the Diploma helps to make your career goals a reality.

The Diploma is well-recognised amongst legal employers and educational institutions in Europe and beyond. BLC graduates have already gone on to excel in a wide variety of professional ways, inter alia by working in most of the major international law firms and a variety of legal institutions, including the European Court of Justice.

The Diploma is a fee-paying course (€599 for students; €799 for non-students. For the avoidance of doubt, this is the total fee payable for the 1-year Diploma. It includes all teaching visits, reading course materials and the physical Diploma itself - i.e. there are no other fees involved).

To find out more about the Diploma in Kyiv, please visit our website www.BritishLawCentre.co.uk/Kyiv