

Honorary President



Professor Bin Cheng

ISPL is honoured to have as its Honorary President Professor Bin Cheng, a world authority on international air and space law. His work has had a tremendous impact on the field of aeronautics, not least through his central role in the adoption of the 1999 Montreal Convention, updating the 1929 Warsaw Convention on international air transport.

He was Professor and Dean of the Law School, UCL and taught at universities around the world. Many of his students have become professors, directors of legal institutes, policy and legal experts. Since 1990 he has continued to contribute as Emeritus Professor, and at international forums.

His many publications have been influential and arguably definitive. *General Principles of Law as Applied by International Courts and Tribunals* is the most important book on the subject (1953, reprint 2006, Cambridge University Press). *Studies in International Space Law* (1997) reprinted articles that pioneered the application of public international law to air and space activity. In retirement he is still sought out for contributions to conferences and publications.

The 2007 issue of *Annals of Air and Space Law*, McGill University, Canada was dedicated to Professor Cheng because scholars, decision-makers and students in Great Britain and many other countries profited from his incisive analysis of contemporary issues arising out of aeronautical and space activities.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Hon. LL.D, Chinese University of Hong Kong, 1978

Officier, Ordre des Palmes Academiques, French Government, 1988

Santos Dumont Merit Medal, Brazilian Government, 1989

Honorary Fellow of University College, University College of London, 198

Lifetime Achievement Book Award, International Institute of Space Law, International Astronautical Federation, 1997, For "extraordinary, authoritative and lasting contributions to the progressive development of international law through his

numerous leading publications on general international law, air law and space law."
Dedicatee of volume XXXII (2007) of the Annals of Air and Space Law, McGill
University, 2007
Lifetime Achievement Award, European Air Law Association, 2010
Plaque of Meritorious Service to Air and Space Law, Korean Association of Air and
Space Law, 1997
Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Contribution to the Development of
International Air Law, International Air Transport Association, 1998

POSITIONS

Professor Emeritus of Air and Space Law, University College London
Honourary President, London Institute of Space Law and Policy
Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society
Member of the Curatorium, Xiamen Academy of International Law, Xiamen University
2005 – Present, Xiamen, China
Member of Board of Honorary Editors, Chinese Journal of International Law, OUP
1999 – Present, Oxford
Professor Emeritus of Air and Space Law, University College London
1986 – Present, London, United Kingdom
Member of the Advisory Board, Air and Space Law
September 1975 – August 2003, Deventer, The Netherlands
Member of the Board of Directors, International Institute of Air and Space Law
September 1986 – August 2001, Leiden, The Netherlands
Member of the Editorial Board, The Aviation Quarterly
September 1996 – August 2000, London, United Kingdom
Visiting Professor of Law, University of Detroit Mercy London Programme
September 1986 – August 2000, London, United Kingdom
United Airlines Visiting Professor of Air Law, University of Technology
May 1990 – June 1990, Sydney
Professor of Air and Space Law, University of London, University College
1967 – 1986, international law, air law and space law
Chairman of the Air Law Committee, International Law Association
September 1965 – August 1983, London, United Kingdom
Dean of the Faculty of Laws, University College London
September 1974 – August 1978, London, United Kingdom
Dean of the Faculty of Laws, University of London
September 1971 – August 1973, London, United Kingdom
Vice-Dean, University of London
September 1969 – August 1971, London
Reader in International Law, University of London, University College
1962 – 1967, international law, air law and space law
Hon. Secretary, International Law Association, British Branch
September 1960 – August 1967, London, UK

Assistant Editor, Current Legal Problems

Past: Member of the Advisory Board at Air and Space Law

Member of the Board of Directors at International Institute of Air and Space Law

Member of the Editorial Board at The Aviation Quarterly

PUBLICATIONS

General Principles of Law as Applied by International Courts and Tribunals

London, Stevens, 1953

The Law of International Air Transport

London, Stevens; Dobbs Ferry, NY, Oceana, 1962

Studies in International Space Law

Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1997

"The Changing Dimensions of the International Law of Carriage by Air"

The Xiamen Academy of International Law Course of Lectures, vol. 1 (2006),
159-394/ Martinus Nijhoff, 2008

Over 200 articles on international law, air law, space law

EDUCATION

Universities of Fribourg, Geneva, London

Licence-en-droit (1944), Ph.D. (1950), LL.D. 1966), Hon. LL.D. (CUHK, 1978)

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