

Foreign, Comparative and International Law SIS Annual Report 2011-2012

The officers and Executive Committee were Sergio D. Stone, Chair; Heidi Kuehl, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect ; Lucie Olejnikova, Secretary-Treasurer; and Jeanne Rehberg, Immediate Past Chair.

SIS elections were held from March 1 to March 23, 2012 leading to the election of Don Ford as Vice Chair/Chair-Elect.

Alison Shea completed a major re-organization and update of the Teaching FCIL Research Syllabi and Course Materials page on the FCIL-SIS Web site. Lucie Olejnikova and Eugene Hsue also created a FCIL-SIS page on Facebook.

The FCIL-SIS signed a letter of agreement with the William S. Hein & Co and AALL to post the complete run of the *FCIL Newsletter* on HeinOnline's Spinelli's Law Librarian Reference Shelf. Having the newsletter issues on HeinOnline will help promote the FCIL-SIS and ensure the long-term online preservation of the flagship publication of the SIS.

Thanks to excellent work by the Education Committee, the FCIL-SIS sponsored seven AMPC programs at the 2012 AALL Annual Meeting: "Piercing the Veil of Sovereignty: Sources of International Human Rights Law Part 1"; Piercing the Veil of Sovereignty: Sources of International Human Rights Law Part 2"; Diplomat Librarian Working with LLMs, International Scholars Students and Faculty"; Chinese Law - Real Time!"; "The Right to Be Lost Comparative Law Approach to Internet Privacy and Personal Data Protection"; "Debating U.S. Policy for the International Criminal Court"; and "Class KIA-KIX: a Revolutionary New Classification Schedule for the 21st Century." The SIS also offered two independent programs at the Annual Meeting: "Teaching FCIL Topics Roundtable" and "Connecting Roman Law Books: Commentaries, Marginalia, Bookplates and More."

FCIL-SIS member Jules Winterton received the 2012 Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographic Award from AALL for his work editing the *IALL International Handbook of Legal Information Management*.

Ms. Priya Rai, Deputy Librarian of the Justice T.P.S. Chawla Library at the National Law University in New Delhi, India, was selected as the 2012 recipient of FCIL Shaffer Grant for Foreign Law Librarians. The FCIL Schaffer Grant Selection Committee reviewed over 40 applicants from over two dozen countries. Ms. Rai gave a very well-received presentation at the 2012 AALL Annual Meeting titled: Access to Legal Information in the Digital Ages: Comparative Study of Electronic Commercial Databases and Public Domain Resources in India. The FCIL Shaffer Grant Fund Fundraising Committee distributed maroon ribbons at the AALL Annual Meeting to current and past grant donors to increase awareness about the FCIL Shaffer Grant for Foreign Law Librarians.

The Executive Committee approved the recognition of two members with the Spirit of FCIL-SIS Awards: Alison Shea and Jonathan Pratter. Based on nomination letters from the FCIL-SIS membership, the executive committee also chose to recognize two members with the Daniel L. Wade FCIL-SIS Outstanding Service Award: Marilyn J. Raisch and Dennis Sears. This award recognizes the long-term commitment of FCIL-SIS members to leadership, education and service within the FCIL-SIS.

Sergio D. Stone
FCIL-SIS Chair 2011-2012