

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### BILETA ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2012

29 - 30 MARCH, NORTHUMBRIA LAW SCHOOL

#### 'Too many laws, too few examples'

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual BILETA Conference will be hosted by Northumbria Law School on 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012. Our conference theme is taken from the words of the French revolutionary, Louis Antoine Léon de Saint-Just. They go to the heart of a long debate about regulation – how best to regulate human activities, and inspire good conduct. Saint-Just was in no doubt: he states the case in words that echo a complex debate about the nature of regulation in human affairs that stretches back over two millennia, and which is central to the technological issues of the twenty-first century.

We invite participants to the BILETA 2012 Conference ([law.unn.ac.uk/bileta](http://law.unn.ac.uk/bileta)) to enter the debate with reference to law, technology and legal education. Do too many laws stifle human aspiration and creativity? Or do we have the wrong laws? Is legal regulation the only way to achieve justice in our technological societies? Are our lives happier because we have ever more laws governing our use of technology? In relation to legal education, regulators internationally themselves are opening debate on their regulatory regimes – how best can technology be regulated for educational and ethical purposes in learning Justice?

Conference papers, or abstracts (approximately 300 words), were to have been submitted by the deadline of 10th January 2012. In light of the overwhelming response to the Call for Papers, a decision has been taken to extend the deadline until the **20th February 2012**. If you wish to submit a paper/abstract for consideration, please do so as soon as possible by e-mailing Abhilash Nair, [abhilash.nair@northumbria.ac.uk](mailto:abhilash.nair@northumbria.ac.uk). The conference committee reserve the right to close the Call for Papers at any time before this date.

Key areas for streams include:

- Legal education, regulation and technology-enhanced learning
- Regulation of ISPs
- E-commerce and e-governance
- Internet censorship and surveillance
- Computer and internet crime
- ICANN and domain names
- Intellectual property
- Privacy
- Internet access and human rights
- Social networking