



International Bar Association

A G E N D A

Bar Issues Commission

**Bar Leaders' Open Forum
Meeting**

Friday 22 May 2026

1400 – 1600 CEST

Room: Studio G

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1	1400 -1410	Welcome with update on BIC Plans and Recent Activity <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Steven Richman, BIC Chair• Berit Reiss-Andersen, BIC Vice-Chair
2	1410- 1420	IBA Presidential Priorities for 2026/2027 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Claudio Visco, IBA President
3	1420- 1435	BIC Working Groups Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Steven Richman, BIC Chair<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ AI Working Group○ Anti-Corruption Working Group○ Crimes Against Humanity Working Group○ Climate Change Working Group○ Global South Working Group
4	1435-1445	Report from IBA Professional Wellbeing Commission: an update <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sara Carnegie, Director, Legal Projects Unit (LPRU) on behalf of Lucinda Soon and Desi Vlahos, Co-Chairs, IBA Professional Wellbeing Commission
5	1445-1455	AI Chart of Principles adopted by the Milan Bar Association and the initiatives of the Bar <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Antonino La Lumia, President, Milan Bar Association
6	1455-1500	Report from Future of Legal Services Commission (FOLSC) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stephen Bowman, Co-Chair, IBA Future of Legal Services Commission
7	1500-1505	Paris Bar's perspectives on matters of common interest to bar leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Louis Degos, President, Ordre des Avocats de Paris
8	1505- 1510	Ukrainian National Bar Association <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Valentyn Gvozdiy, Vice-President, Ukraine National Bar Association

9	1510-1515	Bar Council of England and Wales on matters of nature and climate change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kirsty Brimelow KC, President, Bar Council of England and Wales
10	1515-1520	The Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simone Cuomo, Secretary-General, CCBE
11	1520-1525	Afghanistan Independent Bar Association in Exile (AIBAIE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ahmad Rafi Nadiri, IBA Council Member, AIBAIE
12	1525-1530	Commonwealth Lawyers Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steven Thiru, President, Commonwealth Lawyers Association
13	1530-1540	Report from SPPI AI Working Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sonke Lund, Member, SPPI AI Working Group
14	1540- 1600	Open Discussion