Society of Construction Law
International Checklist

The purpose of this list identifies those issues that a new society will need to consider in order to become affiliated with the SCL UK.

1. A minimum group of 15 interested individuals

2. Those people to join as UK e-members

3. Identify a potential chair, treasurer and secretary.

4. Produce a written constitution in line with the Constitution of the Society of Construction Law (UK). SCL UK will provide them with a copy of the UK Constitution. It will be for the new society to consider how appropriate the terms of that constitution is by reference to their local laws. However, the new constitution must comply with the SCL UK International Policy document; it must be non-profit making, focused primarily on education, and there should be a split of membership between lawyers and non-lawyers.

5. Compliance with the UK International Policy.

6. They will need to develop their own website with a link to SCL UK. The website will need to be maintained locally by the new society.

7. Logo. They will need to receive our approval in respect of their logo. This should be based on the SCL UK's logo in accordance with SCL UK's guidelines.

8. Funding. The new SCL will need to be self-funding.

9. Events. Aim for two of three talks relating to construction law per year during the initial years.

10. Independence. A new SCL should ideally be independent of any particular firm or organisation. However, it is recognised that in the early years they may need to rely upon one or more particular organisation in order to become established.

11. Access to SCL papers. They will receive access to SCL papers once they have produced 5 of their own papers. Once that has been done they will receive free access to papers (without the need to be virtual members) on the basis that they are showing all their papers and the whole of their website, and events with the Society.

12. They should provide an updated list each year of their members.

13. There should be no secretariat. A paid part time administration is of course acceptable. However, there is a need to avoid the development of a substantial organisation with heavy administration costs.

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