



FEDERAL COURT
OF AUSTRALIA



THE BOUNDARIES OF REFUGEE PROTECTION: A COMPARATIVE VIEW

presented by

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Sir Nicholas Blake is a founder member of Matrix Chambers, UK, and was its first chair from 2000-2002. He was appointed a Recorder in 2000, and in 2002 became a Deputy High Court Judge and a Bencher of the Middle Temple.



Sir Blake specialised in public law, criminal justice, human rights, immigration and asylum and private international law. He has written and spoken in the UK and internationally on these topics.

In 2007 he was appointed a High Court Judge of the Queen's Bench Division and assigned to the Administrative Court. He served as the first President of the newly created Immigration and Asylum Chamber of the United Kingdom Upper Tribunal from February 2010 and served until October 2013. In 2016 and 2017 he has participated in training seminars in adversarial criminal justice in Latin America, speaking with judges and prosecutors in Columbia, Peru, Panama and Mexico. Sir Blake retired from the judiciary in 2017 though continues to serve as a Deputy High Court Judge.

Michelle Foster is a Professor and the inaugural Director of the Peter McMullin Centre on Statelessness at Melbourne Law School. Michelle has published widely in the field of international refugee law, including *International Refugee Law and Socio-Economic Rights: Refuge from Deprivation* (CUP, 2007) and, with James Hathaway, *The Law of Refugee Status, Second Edition*, (CUP, 2014). Michelle's most recent publications explore various legal issues concerning the recognition and protection of stateless persons, including a monograph with Professor Helene Lambert, entitled *International Refugee Law and the Protection of Stateless Persons* (OUP, 2019). Michelle teaches Refugee Law and International Refugee Law at Melbourne Law School, and in 2017 taught in the International Summer School in Forced Migration at Oxford's Refugee Studies Centre. In 2019, she directed the inaugural Statelessness Intensive Course at Melbourne Law School.



The session will be chaired by the Honourable Justice Jennifer Davies.

5:15pm - 6:15pm
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Court 1, Level 8 , Federal Court of Australia
305 William St, Melbourne

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