



**HARVARD LAW SCHOOL
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Successful Madrid reunion marks the start of Henrik Rossing Lønberg's three-year term as President of HLSAE

From May 29 to June 1, 2014, over 100 *alumnae* and *alumni* gathered in Madrid for this year's annual reunion of the Harvard Law School Association of Europe (HLSAE). Traditionally, the HLSAE meeting takes place on Ascension weekend, with a mix of sightseeing, socializing and academic events.

Thanks to the help of the local organizing team, composed of Marta Zárata (LL.M. '00), Professor José María Beneyto (LL.M. '90) and HLSAE Vice-President Alexander Chacón (J.D. '89), participants enjoyed a diverse program with a number of cultural, academic and social highlights, including a *tapas* dinner, a *flamenco* show and a private evening tour of the *Museo Thyssen-Bornemisza*. The cultural activities also included a private visit of the splendid *Prado Museum*. This tour was made possible by HLSAE Governor Ignacio Arroyo and by the Duke of Soria, Dr. Carlos Zurita, President of the *Fundación de Amigos del Museo del Prado*.

On Friday, participants visited the city of Toledo. 2014 is a landmark year for Toledo, as the city commemorates the 4th centenary of the death of the painter *El Greco*, who lived in Toledo until 1614. Participants also had the unique chance of taking part in a Saturday morning private tour of the Spanish Congress, an event which has been made possible by José María Beneyto, himself a *diputado* (deputy) at the Spanish Congress.

This year's half-day Academic Session was devoted to the theme of "EU restrictive measures: present and future", with Mr. Ignacio Ulloa Rubio, Judge at the General Court of the European Union, acting as keynote speaker. The members of the panel included Professor Beneyto, Professor Pedro De Miguel and Mr. Juan Ignacio Signes de Mesa. HLS Professor Stephen E. Shay conveyed the greetings of HLS. He then captured the audience with his remarkable presentation on the "International Responses to Corporate Tax Avoidance".

Another highlight of the Madrid reunion was the presentation of the Harvard Law School Association (HLSA) Award to HLSAE Governor Jacques Salès. Jacques has been designated as the 2014 recipient of the HLSA Award in recognition of his services to the legal profession and to the HLS community. Paul Perito, president of the HLSA, presented this award to Jacques during the Gala Dinner, which was held on Saturday May 31.

Thanks to the generosity of HLSAE Governor Willem Stevens, the best moments of the Madrid reunion were captured in a movie, which is accessible [here](#)¹.

¹ The movie is protected with the password used on the HLSAE website. In case of need, please send an email to info@hlsae.eu to obtain this password.



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All participants were already looking forward to celebrating the 50th anniversary of HLSAE during next year's reunion, to be held in Paris, the birthplace of the Association, from **May 14 to 17, 2015**.

Another chance to meet before then will be the breakfast meeting co-organized by HLSAE and the Harvard Law School Association of Japan and held during the IBA Annual Conference in Tokyo on **Wednesday October 22, 2014**, between 8:00 and 9:30 AM (please click [here](#) to register).

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