Call for Papers

SCOTIFY!

University of Strathclyde

Thursday 27th May 2027

In September 2025, the University of Strathclyde hosted what proved to be a very successful workshop called "Scotify!" This workshop invited participants to consider recent cases decided outwith Scotland, with a view to determining how these cases could be resolved with reference to the rules and principles of Scots law. Since Scotland possesses a legal system which, *per* Professor Peter Stein, is 'quite distinct from any other system', it is possible that the application of Scots law to previously litigated fact-patterns could result in different outcomes, or at the very least that the process of reasoning used to reach a 'functionally equivalent' conclusion might differ in notable and interesting ways. This was indeed proven to be so in the course of the first "Scotify!" workshop. A collection of articles based on the "Scotify!" premise was published in a special issue of the Juridical Review in September 2026, with an accompanying editorial comment and rationale for the "Scotify!" concept.

Since the process of "Scotifying!" cases is infinitely repeatable, the Law School at the University of Strathclyde is again looking to host a one-day workshop based on this premise in May 2027. Participants are invited to consider the facts of any recent case decided in any jurisdiction worldwide, concerning any topic which can be analysed through a Scottish legal lens, and present an account of how the rules and principles of Scots law would, or could, be used to resolve the issue(s) arising from the case. If you are interested in participating, please email Jonathan.brown.101@strath.ac.uk and provide the following information:

1) The name and citation of the case
2) The jurisdiction in which the case was decided
3) A short account (no more than 300 words) of why it is interesting to consider the application of Scots law to the facts of this particular case

Please send this information to the email address mentioned above by close of business on **Friday 11th December**. The organisers will endeavour to respond to all prospective participants before Christmas. We look forward to inviting you to the next "Scotify!" workshop in May next year.

With thanks,

The organisers