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Note on the Afsil 7h annual conference

The **African Society of International Law (Afsil)** will organize its Seventh Annual Conference in **Antananarivo (Madagascar), on 26-27 October 2018**. The Conference will take place under the patronage of the Prime Minister of Madagascar, at the *Académie malgache*, the oldest national academy of the continent.

The Seventh Annual Conference will address the theme: **"Africa and the International Law of the Sea"**. It will explore the most recent trends and developments of the International Law of the Sea, and assess the benefits and challenges that they represent for African States.

Several dozens of scholars, students, practitioners, diplomats, officials from international and regional organizations, and policymakers, have already expressed their willingness to come to Madagascar for this conference. Participants will come from five continents.

The Conference will focus on issues that will be of a particular interest to Africa:

1. Maritime delimitation in Africa - 20th anniversary of the Land and Maritime Boundary Dispute between Cameroon and Nigeria. (Cameroon v. Nigeria, Equatorial Guinea, intervener), ICJ, Judgment of 11 June 1998;
2. the legal issues and strategic issues of unresolved disputes over islands opposing African states and their former colonial powers;
3. the impact of sea level rise on the maritime delimitation;
4. economic exploitation of the maritime areas;
5. international legal protection of the marine environment and submerged cultural heritage;
6. maritime security and cooperation policy in Africa;
7. the fight against piracy and illegal fishing and
8. the protection of human rights at sea.

The Afsil is a private international association founded in 2012. It gathers scholars and practitioners in the field of international law, as well as African students. The Association serves as a forum for discussion and a vehicle for the promotion of young lawyers from the African continent. It takes part to the edification and the dissemination of African views on international law. The Afsil organized its previous annual conferences in Brazzaville (Congo, 2012), Dakar (Senegal, 2013), Ouagadougou (Burkina-Faso, 2014), Yaoundé (Cameroon, 2015), Accra (Ghana, 2016) and Dar-Es-Salaam (Tanzania, 2017).

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