

Second Study Commission

Civil Law and Procedure

2015 Questionnaire

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EXPERT EVIDENCE

In Foz do Iguaçu (Brazil), we decided that in 2015, our Second Study Commission will focus on expert evidence. We have limited the questionnaire to five questions and we expect to receive short but concise answers.

1. Is training and accreditation of experts required in your jurisdiction?
2. What powers do you have as a judge to control the use of expert evidence?
3. How can the tendency towards relying on excessive numbers of experts be prevented or managed?
4. Are there means of avoiding expert bias, and if so, how?
5. How are experts to be prevented from usurping the role of the primary finder of fact in civil matters?