

# Swedish Conference on Civil Justice in the EU

On 17-18 October 2013, the Swedish Network for European Legal Studies, the Faculty of Law of Uppsala University and the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg will organize a conference in Uppsala: Civil Justice in the EU - Growing and Teething? Questions regarding implementation, practice and the outlook for future policy.

Conference Day 1: October 17th

9.00 Opening of the Conference

Prof. Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt, Stockholm University, Chairman of the Swedish Network for European Legal Studies

9.15 Keynote Address - The State of the Civil Justice Union

Prof. Burkhard Hess, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

9.45 Avoiding "Torpedoes" and Forum Shopping

*Does the jurisdiction framework work in practice?*

*What about third country litigants and the EU legal order?*

*Has the ECJ:s case law added predictability?*

Chair Docent Marie Linton, Uppsala University

Prof. Gilles Cuniberti, University of Luxembourg

Prof. Trevor Hartley, London School of Economics

Prof. Michael Hellner, Stockholm University

Deputy director Erik Tiberg, The Government Offices of Sweden

11.00 Coffee

11.30 Alternative Dispute Resolution

*Are the new rules for consumer ADR and ODR the right approach?*

*Can mandatory mediation ensure access to justice?*

*Is further and deeper regulation the way forward?*

Chair Prof. Bengt Lindell, Uppsala University

Prof. Antonina Bakardjieva-Engelbrekt, Stockholm University

Dr. Jim Davies, University of Northampton

Dr. Cristina Mariottini, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

12.45 Lunch

14.15 Simplified Procedures and Debt Collection – Much Ado About Nothing?

*Has an additional small claims mechanism added anything in practice?*

*Enforcement and payment orders – Has the removal of exequatur been successful?*

*Attachment of bank accounts – First step to harmonization of execution measures?*

Chair Prof. Torbjörn Andersson, Uppsala University

Dr. Mikael Berglund, The Swedish Enforcement Authority

Dr. Carla Crifò, University of Leicester

Prof. Xandra Kramer, Erasmus University

Dr. Cristian Oro, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

15.30 Coffee

16.00 Track 1 – Family Law

*Choice of law in divorce matters not for all Member States – First step in civil justice fragmentation?*

*How will the new Regulation on Succession change the landscape of civil justice?*

Chair Prof. Maarit Jänterä-Jaareborg, Uppsala University

Dr. Björn Laukemann, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

Other speakers pending confirmation

Track 2 – Collective Redress

*Can it provide additional guarantees for European consumers?*

*Is it a necessary step in private enforcement of competition law?*

*Observations on the Commission Recommendation*

Chair Dr. Eva Storskrubb, Roschier

Prof. Laura Ervo, Örebro University

Prof. Michele Carpagnano, University of Trento

Dr. Rebecca Money-Kyrle, University of Oxford

Dr. Stefaan Voet, Ghent University

Conference Day 2: Friday, October 18th

9.00 The Quest for Mutual Recognition

*Are the current network initiatives and e-justice measures enough?*  
*Balancing efficiency in civil justice against procedural human rights*  
*How are the national courts coping with mutual recognition?*  
*Is complete abolition of exequatur possible?*

Chair Prof. Antonina Bakardjieva-Engelbrekt, Stockholm University

Prof. Torbjörn Andersson, Uppsala University

Docent Marie Linton, Uppsala University

Prof. Marta Requejo-Isidro, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

Dr. Eva Storskrubb, Roschier

10.15 Future Measures and Challenges

EU Commission (Representative to be confirmed)

Legal Counsellor Signe Öhman, The Permanent Representation of Sweden

11.30 End of Day 2

The conference is free of charge. For registration, see [here](#).