

ERA Conference on European Contract Law

Much debated issue of harmonisation of the European contract law by means of the Common Frame of Reference is topic of the ERA conference taking place on 18 and 19 March 2010 in Trier, Germany. More precisely, the conference titled “European Contract Law: EU Consumer Law Revision and the CFR. Towards an optional instrument?” will address different aspects of adapting the academic DCFR to fit the purpose of the “political” CFR, the possibility for linking the CFR and the proposed Consumer Rights Directive, as well as the prospects of the CFR serving as an optional instrument.

The speakers at the conference include: **Mr Giuseppe Abbamonte**, DG Justice, Freedom and Security, European Commission, Brussels; **Professor Christian von Bar**, European Legal Studies Institute, University of Osnabrück; **Professor Hugh Beale**, University of Warwick; **Professor Eric Clive**, University of Edinburgh; **Professor Bénédicte Fauvarque-Cosson**, University Panthéon-Assas, Paris; **Mr Rafael Gil Nievas**, Permanent Representation of Spain to the EU, Brussels; **Professor Piotr Machnikowski**, University of Wrocław; **Dr Chantal Mak**, University of Amsterdam; **Professor Guillermo Palao Moreno**, University of Valencia; **Mr Patrice Pellegrino**, Senior Adviser, EuroCommerce, Brussels; **Ms Nuria Rodríguez Murillo**, Senior Legal Officer, BEUC, Brussels; **Professor Hans Schulte-Nölke**, European Legal Studies Institute, University of Osnabrück; **Professor Matthias E. Storme**, KU Leuven and University of Antwerp; **Ms Diana Wallis**, Vice-President of the European Parliament, Brussels/Strasbourg.

The conference web page is accessible [here](#).