

# **Conference: The Law of Treaties as Applied to Private International Law, Milan, 5-6 May 2023**

A conference on “The Law of Treaties as Applied to Private International Law” will take place at the Catholic University of Milan on 5 and 6 May 2023, under the auspices of the Italian Society of International Law and EU Law (SIDI) and the European Association of Private International Law (EAPIL).

The event aims to discuss the impact of the rules of treaty law on the formation, interpretation and implementation of international conventions laying down rules of private international law, and to assess whether, and in which way, the specific object and features of private international law have a bearing on the operation of the law of treaties in this area.

Speakers and chairs include Paul Beaumont (University of Stirling), Catherine Brölmann (University of Amsterdam), Sergio Carbone (University of Genova, Emeritus), Luigi Crema (University of Milan), Zeno Crespi Reghizzi (University of Milan), Pedro De Miguel Asensio (Complutense University of Madrid), Malgosia Fitzmaurice (Queen Mary University of London), Burkhard Hess (Director of the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for International, European and Regulatory Procedural Law), Patrick Kinsch (University of Luxembourg), Catherine Kessedjian (University Paris II Panthéon-Assas, Emerita), Jan Klabbers (University of Helsinki, TBC), Antonio Leandro (University of Bari), Alex Mills (University College London), Etienne Pataut (University Paris I – Panthéon-Sorbonne), Andrea Schulz (German Federal Ministry of Justice), Jean-Marc Thouvenin (University of Paris Nanterre; Secretary-General of The Hague Academy of International Law), Chiara Tuo (University of Genova), Hans van Loon (former Secretary-General of the Hague Conference on Private International Law), and Jan Wouters (KU Leuven).

A roundtable on “The role of IGOs in the elaboration, implementation and coordination of private international law treaties”, chaired by Fausto Pocar (University of Milan, Emeritus), will feature interventions by Luca Castellani (Secretary of Working Group IV (Electronic Commerce) – Uncitral), Nicolas Nord

(Secretary-General of the International Commission on Civil Status), Andreas Stein (Head of Unit (Civil Justice) at the European Commission Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers – Civil and commercial justice) and Ignacio Tirado (Secretary-General of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (Unidroit), among others.

A key-note speech will be delivered by Maciej Szpunar (Judge at the Court of Justice of the European Union, TBC). Closing remarks will be provided by Stefania Bariatti (University of Milan).

The conference, in English, will be on-site only.

See the full programme and the registration form. Early bird rates are offered to those registering before 6 March 2023.

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