



Conference Announcement

EU Insolvency Law and Third Countries: Which Way(s) Forward?

From **26 - 28 October 2023** the University of Kiel (chair of civil law and East European Law, Prof. Trunk) will host a conference on „***EU Insolvency Law and Third Countries: Which Way(s) Forward?***“

The conference is part of a coordinated research project on this topic endorsed by UNCITRAL and conducted in cooperation with representatives of the European Commission and the Hague Conference on Private International Law.

The incoming conference is the focal point of this research project, which was started in 2022, and will summarize and submit to discussion preliminary results of the project with a view to develop recommendations for future legislative action on a European or more global level.

Further information about the research project is available at: https://www.eastlaw.uni-kiel.de/de/Insolvency_project.

The goal of this conference, as of the underlying research project in general, is not so much to analyse the law as it stands today, but to discuss ideas how to further develop rules on coordination of EU insolvency law with insolvency law or insolvency proceedings in non-EU countries (e.g. the UK, Switzerland, the U.S., China and others).

The conference will start on **Thursday, 26 October 2023 and last until Saturday, 28 October 2023**. The program of the first day (26 Oct.) will be devoted to general aspects and domestic (main and non-main) proceedings. The topics of the second day (27 Oct.) will be recognition of foreign proceedings and coordination of parallel proceedings. The morning program of the third day (28 Oct.) will address specific issues, and the afternoon program will focus on possible legislative recommendations, addressing mainly the EU and UNCITRAL.

There will be one or two broader presentations on each segment of the conference (25 minutes speech), combined with shorter presentations (slots of 5, 10 and 15 minutes) on more specific subjects. There will be sufficient time for discussion on each presentation.

In the morning of 26 October 2023 there will be a **special forum for young scholars** (separate call will follow).

The conference will be organized in a hybrid format, in presence in Kiel and online via ZOOM.

We kindly invite all interested academics and legal practitioners to **participate** in this conference. There is also the possibility to make **presentations** on a topic of free choice. Separate proposals are welcome from **young scholars** (unter 30 years age).

The deadline to make proposals for presentations is **31 July 2023**. Proposals should be accompanied by a short abstract. We will be happy to discuss ideas for presentations in advance of their submission. The proposals will then be scrutinized by the organizers of the conference, and the proponents will be informed shortly whether their proposals have been accepted.

Papers presented in the conference can be included in the planned project publication with a renowned publisher.

Participation in the conference is cost-free for speakers, for members of the consultative committee of the research project and for all registered participants and observers in the research project. Otherwise, the regular conference fee is € 300,--. Members of relevant professional organizations (organizations with a recognizable interest in cross-border insolvency matters) are granted a preferential conference fee of € 200,--. Particular preferential rates (€ 10,-- per day in case of offline-presence) are available for students and PhD candidates. Online participation in the conference via ZOOM is cost-free.

The conference fee comprises participation in the conference, including coffee-breaks and conference materials. It does not include accommodation and lunches and dinners. We are, however, trying to find sponsors for some of these parts of the conference. We have arranged special rates for accommodation during the conference with several hotels in Kiel.

In order to make it convenient to register for the conference, we hereby attach a registration form. Details about payment etc. will be published on the website of the project or communicated individually.

Registration is possible until 1 October 2023 at intins@law.uni-kiel.de.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at

office-eastlaw@law.uni-kiel.de or at intins@law.uni-kiel.de.

We are looking forward to seeing you soon in Kiel!

For the organisation team of the conference:

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