

2nd Liechtenstein Conference on Private International Law on 30 June 2016

Despite the fact that thousands of legal persons and personal relations are subject to Liechtenstein Private International Law, Liechtenstein law has retained some unique features. Whether the unique features should be maintained, or provide the reasoning for a reform agenda, will be discussed at the 2nd Liechtenstein Conference on 30 June 2016 organised by the Propter Homines Chair for Banking and Securities Law at the University of Liechtenstein.

The presentations will deal with Liechtenstein international company, foundation and trust law, conflicts of law relating to banks, prospectus liability and collectus investment schemes, as well as matters of succession and the potential of Liechtenstein as an arbitration venue. All presentations will be held in German.

Please find further information [here](#).

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EUPILLAR conference on Cross-Border Litigation Conference, London, 16-17 June

The “Cross-Border Litigation in Europe” conference is organised by the Centre for Business Law and Practice, University of Leeds, and the Centre for Private International Law, the University of Aberdeen. The conference is being held within the framework of a research project which is funded by the European Commission Civil Justice Programme.

The event will take place in the London School of Economics (New Academic Building, Lincoln's Inn Field) on Thursday 16th June and Friday 17th June 2016.

The research study aims to consider whether the Member States' courts and the CJEU can appropriately deal with the cross-border issues arising under the current EU Civil Justice framework. The project, which is coordinated by Professor Paul Beaumont from the University of Aberdeen, involves Dr Katarina Trimmings and Dr Burcu Yuksel from the University of Aberdeen, Dr Mihail Danov from the University of Leeds (UK), Prof. Dr. Stefania Bariatti from the University of Milan (Italy), Prof. Dr. Jan von Hein from the University of Freiburg (Germany), Prof. Dr. Carmen Otero from Complutense University of Madrid (Spain), Prof. Dr. Thalia Kruger from the University of Antwerp (Belgium), Dr Agnieszka Frackowiak-Adamska from the University of Wroclaw (Poland).

This conference is free to attend, but prior registration is required.

Programme

16th June 2016

9:00 am – 9:30 am

Paul Beaumont (Aberdeen), Mihail Danov (Leeds), Katarina Trimmings (Aberdeen) and Burcu Yuksel (Aberdeen) Evaluating the Effectiveness of the EU Civil Justice Framework: Research Objectives and Preliminary Research Findings from Great Britain

9:30 am – 11:00 am – Cross-Border Civil and Commercial Disputes: Legislative Framework

Chair: Paul Beaumont (Aberdeen)

- 1) Sophia Tang (Newcastle), Cross-Border Contractual Disputes: The Legislative Framework and Court Practice
- 2) Michael Wilderspin (European Commission, Legal Services), Cross-Border Non-Contractual Disputes: The Legislative Framework and Court Practice
- 3) Jon Fitchen (Aberdeen), The Unharmonised Procedural Rules: Is there a case for further harmonisation at EU level?
- 4) Stephen Dnes (Dundee), Economic considerations of the cross-border litigation pattern

15-minute break

11.15 am - 12.30 pm - **Cross-Border Civil and Commercial Disputes: Practical Aspects**

Chair: Mihail Danov (Leeds)

- 1) Peter Hurst (39 Essex Chambers), Litigation Costs: Cross-Border Disputes in England and Wales
- 2) Susan Dunn (Harbour), Litigation Funders and Cross-Border Disputes
- 3) Craig Pollack (King & Wood Mallesons), Cross-Border Contractual Disputes: Litigants' Strategies and Settlement Dynamics
- 4) Jon Lawrence (Freshfields), Cross-Border Competition Law Damages Actions: Litigants' Strategies and Settlement Dynamics

Lunch (12.30 pm - 1.30 pm)

1.30 pm - 3.00 pm - **Cross-Border Family Disputes**

Chair: Thalia Kruger (Antwerp)

- 1) Paul Beaumont (Aberdeen), Brussels IIa recast - a comment on the Commission's Proposal from a member of the Commission's Expert Group
- 2) Elizabeth Hicks (Irwin Mitchell), Litigants' strategies and settlement dynamics in cross-border matrimonial disputes
- 3) Marcus Scott-Manderson QC (4 Paper Buildings), Cross-Border Disputes Involving Children: A View from the English Bar
- 4) Lara Walker (Sussex), Maintenance and child support: PIL Aspects
- 5) Rachael Kelsey (SKO), Arbitration and ADR: Cross-Border Family Law Disputes

15-minute break

3.15 pm - 4.45 pm - **National Reports: Cross-Border Litigation in Europe**

Chair: Stefania Bariatti (Milan)

- 1) Professor Bea Verschraegen (Universität Wien) and Florian Heindler, Preliminary Research Findings from Austria
- 2) Dr Teodora Tsenova and Dr Anton Petrov, Preliminary Research Findings from Bulgaria
- 3) Doc. Dr. Ivana Kunda, Preliminary Research Findings from Croatia
- 4) Professor JUDr Monika Pauknerová, Jiri Grygar and Marta Zavadilová, Preliminary Research Findings from Czech Republic
- 5) Professor Nikitas Hatzimihail (University of Cyprus), Preliminary Research

Findings from Cyprus

6) Professor Peter Arnt Nielsen (Copenhagen Business School), Preliminary Research Findings from Denmark

15-minute break

5.00 pm – 6.15 pm – **National Reports: Cross-Border Litigation in Europe**

Chair: Jan von Hein (Freiburg)

1) Maarja Torga (University of Tartu), Preliminary Research Findings from Estonia

2) Gustaf Möller (Krogerus) Preliminary Research Findings from Finland

3) Professor Horatia Muir Watt (Science Po), Professor Jeremy Heymann (Lyon) and Professor Laurence Usunier (Cergy-Pontoise), Preliminary Research Findings from France

4) Aspasia Archontaki and Paata Simsi, Preliminary Research Findings from Greece

5) Dr Csongor Nagy (University of Szeged), Preliminary Research Findings from Hungary

7.00 pm – 10.30 pm *Dinner (by invite only)* – Old Court Room, Lincoln's Inn

Speech by Lord Justice Vos (Court of Appeal and President of the European Network of Councils for the Judiciary), The Effect of the European Networks of Councils for the Judiciary (ENCJ) on Cross-Border Dispute Resolution

17th June 2016

8.30 am – 10:00 am – **National Reports: Cross-Border Litigation in Europe**

Chair: Carmen Otero (Madrid)

1) Maebh Harding (Warwick), Preliminary Research Findings from Ireland

2) Dr Irena Kucina (Ministry of Justice, Latvia), Preliminary Research Findings from Latvia

3) Kristina Praneviciene, Preliminary Research Findings from Lithuania

4) Céline Camara (Max Planck Institute), Preliminary Research Findings from Luxembourg

5) Clement Mifsud-Bonnici, Preliminary Research Findings from Malta

6) Professor Aukje van Hoek (Universiteit van Amsterdam), Preliminary Research Findings from the Netherlands

15-minute break

10.15 am – 11.30 am – **National Reports: Cross-Border Litigation in Europe**

Chair: Agnieszka Frackowiak-Adamska (Wroclaw)

- 1) Professor Elsa Oliveira (Universidade de Lisboa), Preliminary Research Findings from Portugal
- 2) Dr Ileana Smeureanu (Jones Day, Paris), Lucian Ilie (Lazareff Le Bars) and Ema Dobre (CJEU) Preliminary Research Findings from Romania
- 3) Doc JUDr M. Duris, JUDr M Vozaryova, Dr M Burdova, Preliminary Research Findings from Slovakia
- 4) Professor Suzana Kraljic, Preliminary Research Findings from Slovenia
- 5) Professor Michael Bogdan and Ulf Maunsbach, Preliminary Research Findings from Sweden

15-minute break

11.45 am – 1.00 pm – **National Reports: Cross-Border Litigation in Europe**

Chair: Alex Layton QC

- 1) Thalia Kruger (Antwerp) and Eline Ulrix (Antwerp), Preliminary Research Findings from Belgium
- 2) Jan Von Hein (Freiburg), Preliminary Research Findings from Germany
- 3) Stefania Bariatti (Milan), Preliminary Research Findings from Italy
- 4) Agnieszka Frackowiak-Adamska, Agnieszka Guzewicz and ?ukasz Petelski (Wroclaw), Preliminary Research Findings from Poland
- 5) Carmen Otero (Madrid), Preliminary Research Findings from Spain

Lunch (1.00 pm – 2.00 pm)

2.00 pm – 3.30 pm – **Shaping the development of the EU PIL Framework**

Chair: Paul Beaumont (Aberdeen)

- 1) Jacek Garstka (EU Commission, DG Justice), Drafting Legislative Instruments in a Diverse Union
- 2) Pascale Hecker (Référéndaire, CJEU), Cross-Border Litigation: Challenges for EU Judiciary
- 3) Lady Justice Black (Head of International Family Justice), International Family Justice: Challenges in an EU context
- 4) Paul Torremans (Nottingham), Cross-Border IP Disputes: Specific Issues and Solutions

15-minute break

3.45 pm – 4:30 pm – **The way the EU PIL framework is shaping the litigants' strategies in a cross-border context**

Chair: Mihail Danov (Leeds)

- 1) Alex Layton QC (20 Essex Chambers), Cross-Border Civil and Commercial Disputes: PIL issues – a view from the English Bar
- 2) Christopher Wagstaffe QC (29 Bedford Row), Cross-Border Matrimonial Disputes: PIL issues – a view from the English Bar
- 3) Sophie Eyre (Bird & Bird), Remedies and Recoveries in a Cross-Border Context

4:30 – 5:30 pm – **The Way Forward: The research partners' views**

- 1) Thalia Kruger (Antwerp) and Eline Ulrix (Antwerp), Preliminary Views from Belgium
 - 2) Jan Von Hein (Freiburg), Preliminary Views from Germany
 - 3) Stefania Bariatti (Milan), Preliminary Views from Italy
 - 4) Agnieszka Frackowiak-Adamska, Agnieszka Guzewicz and Łukasz Petelski (Wrocław), Preliminary Views from Poland
 - 5) Carmen Otero (Madrid), Preliminary Views from Spain
 - 6) Paul Beaumont (Aberdeen), Mihail Danov (Leeds), Katarina Trimmings (Aberdeen) and Burcu Yuksel, Addressing the Challenges: Is there a case for Reform?
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The Max Planck Institute Luxembourg is recruiting

The Max Planck Institute Luxembourg is currently recruiting new members for its team. Two types of positions are currently open:

1. Research Fellow in EU Procedural Law:

The Max Planck Institute Luxembourg would like to appoint highly qualified candidates for 2 open positions as Research Fellow (PhD candidate) for the Research Department of European and Comparative Procedural Law

Job description

The research fellow will conduct legal research (contribution to common research projects and own publications), particularly in the field of comparative civil procedural law (including European law and international arbitration).

Your tasks

The successful candidate will have the great opportunity to contribute to the development of the Department of European Comparative Procedural Law led by Prof. Burkhard Hess and, in parallel, work on her/his PhD project.

The Research Fellow is expected to write her/his PhD thesis and perform the major part of her/his PhD research work in the premises of the institute in Luxembourg, but also in close collaboration with her/his external supervisor and with the university or institution delivering her/his PhD diploma. A supervision of a PhD-thesis by Prof. Hess will also be possible.

Your profile

The applicants are required to have obtained at least a Master degree in Law with outstanding results and to have a deep knowledge of domestic procedural and European procedural law. According to the academic grades already received, candidates must rank within the top 10 %.

The successful candidates should demonstrate a great interest and curiosity for fundamental research and have a high potential to develop excellence in academic research. Proficiency in English is compulsory (in written and oral); further language skills (in French and German notably) are of advantage.

Our offer

The MPI Luxembourg will offer scientific guidance, a fully-equipped office and an access to its noteworthy library to foster legal research activities. You will be free to write your thesis in English or in any other language which suits you, as long as you are able to communicate on its content in English.

The MPI Luxembourg offers outstanding conditions to undertake fundamental legal research, and a very conducive work climate in an international team, while being in depth knowledge exchange and support among other research fellows.

Salary and social benefits are provided according to the Luxembourgish legal requirements. Positions are full-time but may be considered as part-time as well.

Joining us

If you are interested in joining our Institute, please apply online and follow our usual application process.

Documents required

A detailed CV incl. list of publications; copies of academic records; a PhD project description of no more than 1-2 pages with the name of the foreseen PhD supervisor and the name of the institution awarding the PhD certificate; the name and contact details of two referees.

2. Research Fellow (PhD candidate) in EU Family Law

For a period of thirty-six months, the Research Fellow will conduct legal research and cooperate at the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg (research Department of European and Comparative Procedural Law) within the Project 'Planning the future of cross-border families: a path through coordination - "EUFam's" (JUST/2014/JCOO/AG/CIVI 4000007729)' which aims (i) at assessing the effectiveness of the functioning 'in concreto' of the EU Regulations in family matters, as well as the 2007 Hague Protocol and the 2007 Hague Recovery Convention; and (ii) at identifying the paths that lead to further improvement of such effectiveness.

Your tasks

The successful candidate will benefit from the opportunity to partake in the development of the Department of Procedural Law led by Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Burkhard Hess by becoming an active and integrated part of the Project team.

The Research Fellow is expected to assist in the achievement of the objectives of the Project, namely by carrying out and developing legal research with a view to contributing to the drafting of the Project's Final Study and by participating in the presentation of the scientific outcomes of the Project.

Moreover, she/he will actively cooperate in the organization of meetings and of an international seminar, and will cooperate with the Project team in reporting on

financial matters, in carrying out the research activities and in analysing potential interplays of research activities with cross-cultural issues. The project will be terminated with 14 months. The remaining time shall be (mainly) dedicated to the elaboration of the PhD.

Your profile

Applicants must have earned a degree in law and be PhD candidates working on a thesis on EU private international and procedural law in family matters. According to the academic grades already received, candidates must rank within the top 10 %.

The successful candidate shall demonstrate a strong interest and aptitude for legal research and have a high potential to develop excellence in academic research.

Her/His CV must portray a consolidated background in EU private international and procedural law in family matters: to this aim, prior publications in this field of the law shall be highly regarded in the selection process.

Full proficiency in English is compulsory (written and oral); further language skills are greatly valued.

Our offer

The MPI Luxembourg offers scientific guidance, a productive working environment within an international team of researchers, and the possibility to develop connections and fruitful exchanges with academia, judges and practitioners from many EU Member States. Moreover, the Institute will provide a fully-equipped office and access to its renowned legal library.

Salary and social benefits are provided according to the Luxembourgish legal requirements. The position is full-time, for a period of thirty-six months.

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Documents required

A detailed CV incl. list of publications; copy of academic records; a PhD project description of no more than 1-2 pages with the name of the PhD supervisor and the name of the institution awarding the PhD certificate; the name and contact details of two referees.

Note for all positions:

Full information and access to application platform: [here](#).

Contact person is Diana Castellaneta: diana.castellaneta@mpi.lu

Deadline: 31 May 2016

Post Brexit: The Fate of Commercial Dispute Resolution in London and on the Continent

A joint conference of the Max Planck Institute for Procedural Law (Luxembourg) and the British Institute for International and Comparative Law will be held on May 26th in London, within the framework of a series of BIICL events on the Brexit.

This particular seminar will look at the potential impact of a Brexit on cross-border commercial dispute resolution and on the role of London as a center for international litigation and arbitration. Speakers will address selected questions such as the legal framework for the transitional period; the validity of choice of court agreements and future frequency of choice of court agreements in favour of English courts; the different approaches in England and under the Brussels I Recast as to parallel proceedings; the cross-border circulation of titles; the Swiss position as to commercial dispute resolution between Member States and third States. A roundtable discussion will place a particular focus on London's future as a centre for commercial dispute resolution post Brexit.

Speakers:

- Burkhard Hess, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg
- Richard Fentiman, University of Cambridge
- Andrew Dickinson, University of Oxford
- Marta Requejo Isidro, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg/University of Santiago de Compostela
- Trevor Hartley, London School of Economics
- Alexander Layton QC, 20 Essex Street
- Tanja Domej, University of Zurich
- Thomas Pfeiffer, University of Heidelberg
- Paul Oberhammer, University of Vienna
- Adam Johnson, Herbert Smith Freehills
- Martin Howe QC, 8 New Square
- Karen Birch, Allen and Overy
- Diana Wallis, President of the European Law Institute and former Vice-President of the European Parliament
- Deba Das, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP

Time: 15:30-19:00 (followed by a drinks reception)

Venue: British Institute of International and Comparative Law, Charles Clore House, 17 Russell Square, London WC1B 5JP

The program is available [here](#); for registration [click here](#).

Recent Scholarship

Professor Anthony Colangelo of the SMU Dedman School of Law has just posted a new article entitled *A Systems Theory of Fragmentation and Harmonization*. It blends public and private international law and has a strong dose of conflict of laws. It is well worth the read!

Also, as a friendly reminder, there is a wonderful SSRN eJournal on Transnational Litigation/Arbitration, Private International Law, and Conflict of Laws that is available [here](#).

Call for Papers: “Recent Developments in Private International Law” at Moldova State University

The following announcement has been kindly provided by Mihail Buruiana, Senior Lecturer, State University of Moldova.

The Faculty of Law of Moldova State University in Chisinau, Republic of Moldova, will host an international conference dealing with “**Recent Developments in Private International Law**” on Thursday, 20 October, and Friday, 21 October 2016. Prospective speakers are kindly invited to submit abstracts of not more than 500 words (in *Word*) addressing any aspect of the Conference theme. The abstracts should include the name(s) and affiliation(s) of the author(s) and should be submitted before **Saturday, 10 May 2016**. The Programme of the Conference will consist of a mix of plenary sessions and parallel sessions. The topics of the sessions will include, *inter alia*: Theory of Private International Law; Choice of Law and Choice of Law Clauses; Jurisdiction and Forum Clauses; Natural Persons in Private International Law; Legal Persons in Private International Law; Family (Children and Adults); Succession; Contract; Insolvency; Tort; Recognition and Enforcement; Arbitration. The languages at the Conference will be Romanian and English (with simultaneous translation). Further information is available at the Conference website [here](#).

Conference for Young PIL Scholars: “Politics and Private International Law (?)” - Call for Papers

The following announcement has been kindly provided by Dr. Susanne Lilian Gössl, LL.M., University of Bonn:

Call for Papers

On 6th and 7th April 2017, for the first time a young scholars' conference in the field of Private International Law (PIL) will be held at the University of Bonn.

The general topic will be

Politics and Private International Law (?)

We hereby invite interested junior researchers to send us their proposals for conference papers. We envisage presentations of half an hour each in German language with subsequent discussion on the respective subject. The presented papers will be published in a conference transcript by Mohr Siebeck.

Procedure

If we have stimulated your interest we are looking forward to your application to

[nachwuchs-ipr\(at\)institut-familienrecht.de](mailto:nachwuchs-ipr(at)institut-familienrecht.de)

until **30 June 2016, 12 a.m. CET** (deadline!).

The application shall include an exposé of maximum 1,000 words in German language and shall be composed anonymously that is without any reference to the authorship. The author including his/her position or other affiliation shall be identifiable from a separate file.

Selection decisions will be communicated in October 2016.

For organisational reasons, a preliminary version of the paper (to measure 35,000 to 50,000 characters including footnotes) and the core statements must be received by not later than 31 March 2017.

Topic:

For our purposes, we explicitly understand PIL in a broader sense: international jurisdiction and procedure, the law of the international settlement of disputes (including ADR) as well as uniform law and comparative law and the comparison of legal cultures are included insofar as they allude to cross-border questions.

Ever since Savigny, conflict of laws rules have traditionally been perceived as “unbiased” or “value-neutral” in Central Europe as they are solely supposed to coordinate the applicable substantive law. However, during the second half of the past century the opinion that conflict of law rules may also strengthen or prevent certain results of substantive law has become prevalent. In the U.S., such discussion led to a partial abolition of the “classical” PIL in favour of balancing the individual governmental interests as to the application of their respective substantive law provisions (so called *governmental interest analysis*). But other legal systems have also explicitly or indirectly restricted classical PIL in some areas in favour of governmental interests. Our conference is dedicated to the various possibilities and aspects of this interaction between PIL and politics as well as to the advantages and disadvantages of this interplay.

Possible topics or topic areas are:

General questions:

- “Politicisation” of PIL on the national, European and international level, or the political target of “value-free” PIL rules (?)
- “Politicisation” of comparative law (?)
- Convergence of PIL and Public International Law, especially the protection of fundamental rights and human rights by means of PIL
- Uniform applicable law or harmonisation of PIL
- PIL in day-to-day application of law – theory and reality (?)
- General instruments of PIL to enforce political targets: overriding mandatory rules, public policy, *forum non conveniens*, extensive/narrow

jurisdiction ...

- Allocative functions of PIL and International Civil Procedure Law
- Users, stakeholders and their interests in cross-border questions: parties, attorneys, judges, notaries, experts etc.
- Protection by formal requirements or third parties' obligations to cooperate (e.g. notarial recording of the choice of law agreement)
- Parties' or courts' expenses due to the application of foreign law
- Regulatory competition, e.g. in order to establish a national venue of arbitration
- Forum shopping and locational advantages through low standards of protection (e.g. regarding data protection law, copyright law, family law or consumer protection law)
- Issues of competences as regards European PIL rules
- Extraterritorial application of national (private) law (*Kiobel*, *Bodo Community*)

Business Law:

- Financial crisis, e.g. resolution of globally operating banks
- Gender Quotas of in Corporate Law, e.g. application of German law on foreign companies or comparison between international regulatory models
- Protection of competition in case of worldwide groups operating, e.g. Google antitrust proceedings by FTC and EU Commission
- Law on co-determination within the European context, e.g. questions referred for a preliminary ruling by KG (Court of Appeal in Berlin) and LG Frankfurt
- Worker protection

Family and Inheritance Law:

- Protection of minors, i.e. regarding repatriation of children or international adoptions: successful legal unification (?)
- Cross-border protection of adults
- Application of religious law and judgements of religious courts

Consumer protection:

- Consumer protection and market freedom (i.a. in the Internet)

- Special jurisdiction, party autonomy and the enforcement of minimum standards in substantive law

Internet and new media:

- Territoriality of rights to ubiquitous goods (e.g. copyright law and data protection rules) and cross-border trade
- Copyright Law and “Fair Use”
- Data protection/privacy and freedom of information

Other recent focal points:

- Migration and refugee crisis, e.g. the determination of the law of the person between integration or preservation of cultural identity
- Environmental protection, e.g. enforcement of titles from class actions or international litigation regarding mass damages
- Protection of cultural property – issues regarding ownership and repatriation

For more information, please visit <https://www.jura.uni-bonn.de/en/institut-fuer-deutsches-europaeisches-und-internationales-familienrecht/pil-conference/>.

If you have any further questions, please contact Dr. Susanne Gössl, LL.M. (sgoessl(at)uni-bonn.de).

We are looking forward to thought-provoking and stimulating discussions!

Yours faithfully,

Susanne Gössl
Rafael Harnos
Leonhard Hübner
Malte Kramme
Tobias Lutzi
Michael Müller
Caroline Rupp
Johannes Ungerer

Fourth “journées Mohamed Charfi de droit international privé” colloquium in Tunis

The following announcement has been kindly provided by Béligh Elbalti, Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Law, Kyoto University.

Since 2008, the Research Unit on International Private Relations, Commerce, Arbitration and Migrations of the Faculty of Legal, Political and Social Sciences of Tunis (Carthage University) has been organizing the “*journées Mohamed Charfi de droit international privé*” colloquium which address various Private International Law issues. These colloquiums are organized on the memory of the late Dr. Mohamed Charfi, an eminent and leading Tunisian scholar specialized in the field of family law, human rights and private international law.

On April 2016, the Research Unit will organize its fourth *journées Mohamed Charfi de droit international privé* under the theme of international contracts and private international law. The colloquium will be held at the Faculty of Legal, Political and Social Sciences of Tunis on the 13 and 14 April 2016. Eminent and distinguished professors, as well as leading Tunisian law professors and private international law specialists will take part in this event.

The program will be as follow:

First Day : 13 avril 2016 (Wednesday) :

Les tendances générales dans le droit du contrat international

Morning Sesseion

8h30 - 9h15: Welcome Speech

9h15 - 9h30: Ali MEZGHANI (*Professeur, Faculté de Droit des sciences juridiques, politiques et sociales de Tunis*)

Présentation générale du colloque : « À propos du contrat international »

9h30 - 10h : Pierre MAYER (*Professeur émérite, École de Droit de la Sorbonne*)

Rapport introductif : « L'internationalité du contrat »

10h -10h30 : Jean-Michel JACQUET (*Professeur, Institut des Hautes études internationales et du développement de Genève*)

« Sanctions économiques internationales et contrats internationaux »

10h30-11h : Coffee Break

11h - 11h30 : Souhayma BEN ACHOUR (*Professeur, Faculté de Droit et des sciences politiques de Tunis*)

« L'essor de l'autonomie de la volonté en Droit international privé tunisien »

11h30 - 12h : Salma TRIKI (*Maitre-assistante, Institut supérieur des études juridiques et politiques de Kairouan*)

« La hiérarchie des normes dans le droit du commerce international »

12h - 12h30 : Debate

Afternoon Session

15h - 15h30 : Imed BÉJAOUÏ (*Maitre-assistant, École supérieure de commerce de Sfax*)

« La pérennité du contrat international entre *pacta sunt servanda* et *rebus sic stantibus* : réflexions au regard du pouvoir interprétatif de l'arbitre»

15h30 - 16h : Donia ALLANI (*Assistante, Faculté des sciences juridiques, politiques et sociales de Tunis*)

« La loi applicable au contrat d'après l'article 62 du Code tunisien de droit international privé »

16h-16h30 : Coffee Break

16h30h-17h: Thouraya AHMADI (*Assistante, Faculté des sciences juridiques, politiques et sociales de Tunis*)

« Les lois de police étrangères et le contrat international »

17h-17h30 : Debate

Second Day : 14 avril 2016 (Thursday) :

De quelques solutions particulières dans le droit du contrat international

Morning Session

9h - 9h30 : Lotfi CHEDLY (*Professeur, Doyen de la Faculté de Droit des sciences juridiques, politiques et sociales de Tunis*)

« La protection du consommateur en Droit international privé tunisien »

9h30 - 10h : Fatma BOURAOUI (*Maitre assistante, Faculté de Droit des sciences juridiques, politiques et sociales de Tunis*)

« Les contrats de transmission des créances en droit international privé »

10h - 10h30 : Rym BEN KHELIFA (*Maitre-assistante, Faculté de Droit et des sciences politiques de Tunis*)

« L'impact des traités relatifs à la protection des investissements sur les contrats conclus entre États-hôtes et investisseurs étrangers »

10h30 - 11h : Coffee Break

11h - 11h30: Jallel BACCAR (*Maitre-assistant, École supérieure de commerce de Sfax*)

« Le crédit documentaire international »

11h30 - 12h : Inès YOUSSEF (*Maitre-assistante, Faculté des sciences juridiques, économiques et de gestion de Jendouba*)

« Le paiement d'un contrat international par crédit documentaire »

12h - 12h30: Debate

12h30 : End of the Colloquium

All presentations are in French. Participation to this event is free of charge and no prior reservation is required.

French conference on the “UNCITRAL Contribution to International Trade Law”

Written by Eloïse Glucksmann

The Center for Private International Law and International Trade Law (CRDI) of the University Panthéon-Assas is pleased to invite you to a conference on the “UNCITRAL Contribution to International Trade Law” that will take place in the faculty premises at 92, rue d’Assas 75005 Paris, conference room no 315, on April 12, 2016. **Speeches will be in French.**

Please register by contacting laurence.tacquard@u-paris2.fr. This conference is also accountable for the lawyers’ continuing training (formation continue des avocats) of the French National Council of the Bars (Conseil national des barreaux).

This event is organized with the collaboration of the Department for Private International Relations Studies (SERPI-IRJS) of the Sorbonne Law School and the Foundation for Continental Law

Program:

Morning

8:45 - **Registration**

9:00 - **Opening remarks**

Marie Goré, Professor at the University Panthéon-Assas Paris II, Director of the Center for Private International Law and International Trade Law (CRDI)

Géraud Sajust de Bergues d’Escalup, Deputy Director for Legal Affairs of Foreign Affairs

Renaud Sorieul, Director of the International Trade Law Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs

Chairman: *Sylvain Bollée*, Professor at the Sorbonne Law School (University Paris 1), Co-director of the Department for Private International Relations Studies (SERPI-IRJS)

9:20 – **The UNCITRAL methods**

Vincent Heuzé, Professor at the Sorbonne Law School (University Paris 1)

The UNCITRAL model, its influence on OHADA law

Dorothe Cossi Sossa, permanent secretary

10:30 – **International Sale of Goods: how to maintain or reinforce the UNCITRAL promotion of practices' unification?**

Claude Witz, Professor at the University of Saarland (Germany), Co-director of the Legal Center Franco-German

11:00 – **Break**

11:15 – **International Commercial Arbitration**

Daniel Cohen, Professor at the University Panthéon-Assas Paris II

11:45 – **UNCITRAL and the aspiration to diffuse Security Interests model standards**

Jean-François Riffard, Lawyer, Associate-Professor at the University of Auvergne (Clermont 1)

12:30 – **Lunch break**

Afternoon

Chairman: *Pascal de Vareilles-Sommières*, Professor at the Sorbonne Law School (University Paris 1)

2:00 – **Insolvency of corporate groups**

Reinhard Dammann, partner at Clifford Chance Europe LLP

2:30 – **The sole ownership**

Antoine Gaudemet, Professor at the University Panthéon-Assas Paris II

3:00 – **The Rotterdam Rules: how to convince?**

Philippe Delebecque, Professor at the Sorbonne Law School (University Paris 1)

3:30 - **Break**

3:45 - **The UNCITRAL contribution to the development of public-private partnerships' safeguarding**

Stéphane Braconnier, Professor at the University Panthéon-Assas Paris II

4:15 - **The UNCITRAL contribution to electronic trade development**

Thibault Douville, Associate-Professor at the Caen Normandie

4:45 - **Summary**

Rafael Illescas Ortiz, Professor of Commercial Law, Universidad Carlos III of Madrid, former president of the UNCITRAL

The event will be followed by a **cocktail**.

International Seminar on Private International Law 2016 (Program)

The programme of the 2016 edition of the International Seminar on Private International Law organized by Prof. Fernández Rozas and Prof. de Miguel Asensio, to be held in Madrid on 14-15 April 2016, has been released and is available **here**.

Venue:

Salón de Grados de la Facultad de Derecho de la Universidad Complutense, Avda. Complutense, Ciudad Universitaria, Madrid.

Main speakers:

Jürgen Basedow (Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg) - Consistency in EU Private International Law

Cristina González Beilfuss (Universidad de Barcelona, Spain) - On the recent reforms of Spanish international civil procedure law.

Christian Heinze (Leibniz University Hanover, Germany) – Competition law damages claims and jurisdiction agreements.

Roberto Baratta (University of Macerata, Italy) – Fundamental Rights and Family Private International Law

Thalia Kruger (Antwerp University, Belgium) – The Hague, Strasbourg, Luxembourg and the Bosphorus. The best interests of abducted children?

Pietro Franzina (University of Ferrara, Italy) – Do we need a EU legislative measure on the international protection of adults?

Mauro Rubino-Sammartano (Corte Europea de Arbitraje) – Arbitration and Public Policy.

Sebastien Manciaux (Université de Bourgogne, France)- La oferta de arbitraje en arbitraje de inversión: especificidades y dificultades planteadas por esta modalidad de arbitraje.

Emmanuel Guinchard (University of Northumbria, UK) – La transposition en Europe de la directive 2013/11/UE relative au règlement extrajudiciaire des litiges de consommation. L'exemple de la France et du Royaume-Uni.

Bertrand Ancel (Université Paris II)

Additional information on the seminar is available **here**.