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The EU and human rights in a time of crisis

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3rd Edition

Jean Monnet Summer School

***“Vulnerability and Human Rights in the European
Union”***

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Presentation

Maynooth University Department of Law, in cooperation with the Maynooth Centre for European and Eurasian Studies, is pleased to announce the 3rd international Jean Monnet Summer School “*The EU and Human Rights in a Time of Crisis*” which, this year, focuses on “***Vulnerability and Human Rights in the European Union***”.

The summer school is part of the Jean Monnet Module "EU External Relations in Time of Crisis" (574714-EPP-1-2016-1-IE-EPPJMO-MODULE) co-funded under the Erasmus+ programme.¹

The 3rd edition of the Summer school, coordinated by Dr. Delia Ferri & Prof. John O’Brennan, will focus EU legislation and policy whose inherent rationale is to counteract structural inequalities. It will discuss different EU measures aimed to combat the discrimination, prejudice and stigmatisation, as well as social disadvantage and material deprivation experienced by certain groups of persons such as people belonging to minorities, Roma and Travellers, migrants, people with disabilities, LGBTI people. Building on the current academic debate on the concept of vulnerability itself, the summer school will reflect on how the EU can best act to remove structures that sustain or create vulnerability, allowing everybody to enjoy all their human rights to the full.

The Summer School is characterized by a combination of different teaching strategies and activities to accommodate different kinds of learning styles and personalities, with attention to students with disabilities and non-native English speakers. Transversal skills, including the ability to critique, analyse and problem-solve, will be fostered through class discussions and debates, within the context of a structured and supportive learning environment.

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| Saturday 22nd of June 2019 | | |
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| h. 14 Induction for all students | | Drama Room Education Building |
| 15:00 – 17:00 | <p>Opening Session</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Justice John MacMenamin (Supreme Court of Ireland)</p> <p>Prof. Michael Doherty Prof. Tobias Lock (Maynooth University) Dr. Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) Prof. John O'Brennan (Maynooth University)</p> <p><i>Opening Key Note Speech - "The Greatness to Bend History Itself"? Confronting Different Dimensions of Vulnerability in EU Law</i></p> <p>Prof. Niamh Nic Shuibhne (University of Edinburgh)</p> | Drama Room Education Building |

| Monday 24th of June 2019 | | |
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| 09:00 – 11:00 | <p>Setting the Scene (I): The evolution of legal protection of human rights in the EU</p> <p>Dr. Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)</p> | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 11:30 – 13:00 | <p>Setting the Scene (II): The role of the EU political institutions in the protection of human rights in the EU</p> <p>Prof. John O'Brennan (Maynooth University)</p> | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 14:30 – 16:30 | <p><i>"EU Anti-Discrimination Law and Vulnerability"</i></p> <p>Prof. Colm O'Conneide (University College London) introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)</p> | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |



| Tuesday 25 th of June 2019 | | |
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| 09:00-10:30 | The Rights of Persons with disabilities in EU law Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 11:00 – 13:00 | “Discrimination on the Ground of Disability and Inclusive Equality in EU Law” Dr. Andrea Broderick (Maastricht University) introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 14.30 – 16.30 | Workshop and Case-Study: Reasonable accommodation for people with disabilities in employment Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |

| Wednesday 26 th of June 2019 | | |
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| 09:00-10:30 | “The Common European Asylum System and Vulnerability” Dr. Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 11:00 – 13:00 | “The Socio-economic Rights of Asylum Seekers in Europe” Dr. Liam Thornton (UCD) introduced by Dr. Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 14:30 -17:30 | Round Table on Migration and Human Trafficking Chaired by Dr. Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) Ms. Aideen Elliott (Maynooth University) Dr. Liam Thornton (UCD) Dr. Charles O’Sullivan (DCU) Dr. Clíodhna Murphy (Maynooth University) Ms. Katie Mannion (Irish Refugee Council) | Seminar Room – Ground floor Iontas Building |
| 19:00 | Film Night “Violent Borders, an investigative documentary on the Balkan Route” Introduced by Dr. Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) Followed by a debate with the Director Mr. Michele Aiello (Zalab), with the participation of Ms Zoryana Pshyk <i>*The film night event supports the ‘University of Sanctuary’ project.</i> | Seminar Room – Ground floor Iontas Building |



| Thursday 27 th of June 2019 | | |
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| 09:00-11:00 | Brexit and the Challenges for Ireland Prof John O'Brennan (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 11:30 – 13:00 | Debate on “Brexit, Citizens Rights and Vulnerability” Prof. Tobias Lock (Maynooth University) introduced by Prof. John O'Brennan | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 14.30 -17.00 | Meeting Practitioners “Vulnerability and Human Rights in Legal Practice” Chaired by Dr. Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) Angel Bello Cortes (Fragomen) Aoife McMahon (Barrister -Law Library) Maeve O'Rourke (NUI Glaway) John Horan (Cloisters and Chambers) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |

| Friday 28 th June 2019 | | |
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| 09:00-10.30 | The Protection of Minorities in EU law Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) and Dr. Noelle Higgins (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 11.00 – 13:00 | Religious Minorities as the Forgotten Minorities in EU Law Prof. Dr. Kristin Henrard (Rotterdam University) introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
| 14:30-16:30 | The Rights of LGBTI People under EU Law Dr Fergus Ryan (Maynooth University) introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |



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| 17:00 – 18:00 | Final Reception on “<i>Working in the EU</i>” Ciaran Murray (European Movement), introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | MUSSI Seminar Room – Iontas Building |
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Saturday 29th of June 2019

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| 10:00 – 13:00 | Chair – Dr. Noelle Higgins Concluding <i>Lectio Magistralis</i> - Prof. Michael O’Flaherty (Fundamental Rights Agency of the EU) Closing remarks and Awards of the Certificates to the participants - Prof. Michael Doherty & Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University) | Drama Room Education Building |
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