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The EU and human rights in a time of crisis

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2nd Edition

***“Balancing Economic Freedoms and Human Rights
in the European Union”***

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Studies

Presentation

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

The module is part of the JM Module financed under the Erasmus+ programme.

The Summer school, coordinated by Dr. Delia Ferri & Prof. John O’Brennan, will explore the interplay between economic freedoms and human rights within the European Union and in its external action. Participants will examine the balancing of economic law and human rights’ promotion through the analysis of relevant CJEU case law, as well as EU legislative and policy measures. They will discuss to what extent the EU is promoting “the sustainable development of Europe based on balanced economic growth and price stability, a highly competitive social market economy” as envisaged by Article 3 of the Treaty on the European Union. In addition, participants will reflect on the role of human rights protection in EU trade relationship with other countries. The summer school will interrogate the relationship between the ongoing process of European integration and the development of EU external action to promote international justice. The international context in which the EU operates has been rendered much more uncertain by Brexit and the isolationist foreign policy pursued by the Trump administration. The summer school will offer participants the unique opportunity to discuss the role of the EU as both a key global economic actor and as a promoter of human rights, both within its own boundaries and beyond, at the global level.

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.

Saturday 23 th of June 2018		
13:30	Induction	Drama Room - School of Education, North Campus
15:00 – 17:00	Opening Session Chair: Mr. Justice John MacMenamin (Supreme Court of Ireland) Welcome - Prof. Michael Doherty (Maynooth University) Introduction to the Summer School - Dr Delia Ferri & Prof. John O'Brennan (Maynooth University) Key Note Speech - Prof. Michael O'Flaherty (Director of the EU FRA – Adjunct Professor Maynooth University Department of Law)	

Monday 25 th of June 2018		
09:00 – 11:00	Setting the Scene (I): The evolution of legal protection of human rights in the EU Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)	Room no. 2.31, 2nd floor - Iontas Building, North Campus
11:30 – 13:00	Setting the Scene (II): The role of the EU political institutions in the protection of human rights in the EU Prof John O'Brennan (Maynooth University)	
14:00 – 16:00	<i>“The role of the CJEU in balancing economic freedoms and human rights”</i> Dr. Filippo Fontanelli (University of Edinburgh) - Introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)	

Tuesday 26 th of June 2018		
09:00- 11:00	The Internal Market, the Highly Competitive Social Market Economy and Human Rights: The Case of EU State aid Law Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)	

11:30 – 13:00	Starbucks, Apple and Beyond: A policy reflection on the intersection between corporate tax policies and State aid law Prof. John O'Brennan (Maynooth University)	Room no. 2.31, 2nd floor - Iontas Building, North Campus
14-16	<i>“EU Copyright Law and Human Rights: Intersection and Balancing”</i> Prof. Caterina Sganga (CEU Budapest) Introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)	
18.30	DEBATE “The election of Trump in the US and its reflection in the EU” Dr. Bob Beatty (Washburn University) Introduced by Prof. John O'Brennan & Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)	

Wednesday 27th of June 2018		
09:00- 11:00	Looking Outside (I): “EU External Relations Law at a glance: The EU as Global Promoter of Human Rights?” Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)	Room no. 2.31, 2nd floor - Iontas Building, North Campus
11:30 – 13:00	Looking Outside (II): The EU and Central and Eastern Europe: economic advance and democratic backsliding? Prof. John O'Brennan (Maynooth University)	
14.30 – 16.00	<i>“Human Rights as a value of EU trade policy”</i> Prof. Marise Cremona (EUI) Introduced by Prof. John O'Brennan & Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)	

Thursday 28 th of June 2018		
09:00-11:00	<p>“EU Anti-discrimination Law as a Test-Bed for the Balancing between Economic Freedom and Human Rights”</p> <p>Prof. Colm O’Cinneide</p> <p>Introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)</p>	<p>Room no. 2.31, 2nd floor - Iontas Building, North Campus</p>
11:30 – 13:00	<p>Workshop and Case-Study: Reasonable accommodation for people with disabilities in employment</p> <p>Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)</p>	
14 -17	<p>Meeting Practitioners “Litigating Human Rights cases in the EU”</p> <p>Declan O’Dempsey BL (Cloister and Chambers) Sondra Faccio (Santosuosso Avvocati) Angel Bello Cortes (Fragomen) introduced by Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)</p>	

Friday 29 th of June 2018		
09:00-11:00	<p>The new challenges of the EU (I): Brexit and Beyond</p> <p>Dr Delia Ferri (Maynooth University)</p>	<p>Room no. 2.31, 2nd floor - Iontas Building, North Campus</p>
11.30 - 13	<p>The new challenges of the EU (II): Brexit and the Republic of Ireland</p> <p>Prof. John O’Brennan (Maynooth University)</p>	
14-16	<p>“The new challenges of the EU: Preserving the Rule of Law in the EU”</p> <p>Prof. Georgi Dimitrov (University of Sofia)</p>	
17:00 – 19:00	<p>Reception on “Working in the EU”</p> <p>Ms Nora Trench Bowles (European Movement Ireland) Mr Conor Mulvihill (Irish Business and Employers Federation) Ms Aideen Elliott (Maynooth University)</p>	

Saturday 30th of June 2018

10:00 – 13:00	Chair - Prof. Michael Doherty Concluding <i>Lectio Magistralis</i> Ms Emily O'Reilly (European Ombudsman) Closing remarks and Awards of the Certificates to the participants - Dr Delia Ferri & Prof. John O'Brennan (Maynooth University)	Drama Room - School of Education, North Campus
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