



Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia

International Conference “The Role of the Constitutional Courts in the Globalised World of the 21st Century” 24 – 25 May 2018

Rīga, Kuģu iela 24
hotel “Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel”

Rīga, Amatu iela 3
Small Guild (*Mazā gilde*)

Working languages: Latvian, English, French and Russian

PROGRAMME

Thursday, 24 May 2018 (hotel “Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel”)

- 8:30 – 9:00 Registration for the Conference
- 9:00 – 9:50 Opening of the Conference.
Introductory speeches
H.E. Mr **Raimonds Vējonis**, President of Latvia
H.E. Mr **Māris Kučinskis**, Prime Minister
Mr **Ivars Bičkovičs**, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the Republic of Latvia
Mr **Gianni Buquicchio**, President of the Venice Commission
Ms **Ineta Ziemele**, President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia
Mr **Dzintars Rasnačs**, Minister of Justice
- 9:50 – 10:00 Official photo
- 10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break
- 10:30 – 13:00** **1st session. Chaired by Ms Prof. Dr. iur. Sanita Osipova**, Vice-President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia
- 10:30 – 10:50 **Ms Prof. Eleanor Sharpston**, Advocate General, Court of Justice of the European Union
“Keeping Each Other on Our Toes — A Circle of Mutual Encouragement towards setting High Standards for Fundamental Rights Protection”

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- 10:50 – 11:10 **Mr Mārtiņš Mits**, Judge, European Court of Human Rights
“Interaction between the Constitutional Courts and the European Court of Human Rights”
- 11:10 – 11:30 **Ms Claire Bazy Malaurie**, Member of the Constitutional Council of France
“Protection of Fundamental Rights in a Digital World: What Relations between European Jurisdictions?”
- 11:30 – 11:50 **Mr Prof. Dr. André Alen**, President of the Constitutional Court of Belgium
"The influence of the Belgian Constitutional Court on the Case Law of the Luxembourg and the Strasbourg Court"
- 11:50 – 12:10 **Ms Prof. Dr. Doris Köning**, Justice of the Federal Constitutional Court of Germany
"The Role of the German Federal Constitutional Court in Dealing with Cases of a Supra or International Nature"
- 12:10 – 12:30 **Ms Dr. Snježana Bagić**, Deputy President of the Constitutional Court the Republic of Croatia
“Constitutional Court and Social Disputes - Finding the Right Answer”
- 12:30 – 13:00 Discussions
- 13:00 – 14:30 Lunch
- 14:30 – 17:00** 2nd session. Chaired by Ms Assist. Prof. Dr. Jadranka Sovdat, President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Slovenia
- 14:30 – 14:50 **Mr Dr. Johannes Schnizer**, Judge of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Austria
“The Influence of the Constitutional Court’s Case-law on the Supranational Status of the National States”
- 14:50 – 15:10 **Mr Dr. Tamas Sulyok**, President of the Constitutional Court of Hungary
“The Influence of Constitutional Justice on the Jurisdiction of Ordinary Courts”
- 15:10 – 15:30 **Ms Prof. Encarnación Roca Trías**, Vice-President of the Constitutional Court of Spain
“The Role of Constitutional Courts in the Globalized World of the 21st Century. The Spanish Experience”

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- 15:30 – 15:50 **Mr JUDr. David Uhlíř**, Justice of the Constitutional Court of the Czech Republic
“International Contexts of Constitutional Courts’ Decisions: Criminal-Law Perspectives”
- 15:50 – 16:10 **Ms Prof. Ph.D. Ineta Ziemele**, President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia
“Constitutional Courts as Lock-Gates in a Globalized World”
- 16:10 – 16:55 Discussions
- 16:55 – 17:00 Closing of the first day of the Conference.
Ms Prof. Ph.D. Ineta Ziemele, President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia

Friday, 25 May 2018 (Small Guild)

- 10:00 – 13:30 3rd session – round table discussion***
- 10:00 – 11:30 Discussions. Chaired by **Ms Prof. Ph.D. Ineta Ziemele**, President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia
- 11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break
- 12:00 – 13:30 Discussions. Chaired by **Ms Prof. Ph.D. Ineta Ziemele**, President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia
- 13:30 – 13:45 Closing of the Conference
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