

Workshop

Enforcing the Rule of Law through judicial interaction techniques

30 - 31 October 2023

Sala Europa & Online - Villa Schifanoia, Via Boccaccio 121 - Florence

Centre for Judicial Cooperation, RSCAS, European University Institute

Programme

30 October

09.30 - 09.40 Welcome Address

Gábor Halmai | European University Institute

09.40 - 11.00 ***The role of the national judge in defending the Rule of Law***

Chair: **Nicole Lazzerini** | University of Florence

Overview of Rule of Law standards under EU law

Michal Bobek | Supreme Administrative Court, Czech Republic

Overview of Rule of Law standards under ECHR

Raffaele Sabato | European Court of Human Rights (tbc)

General discussion

11.00 - 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 - 11.45 ***Presentation of TRIAL 2 Toolkit on Rule of Law and Judicial Dialogue***

Madalina Moraru | EUI

11.45 - 13.00 ***Case study 1 – Judicial interactions on Rule of Law issues***

Discussion in four parallel working group sessions

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch break



14.00 - 16.15 **Roundtable: Judicial dialogue in action on Rule of Law issues**

This panel will discuss the challenges that national legal practitioners face when addressing requests for preliminary rulings to the CJEU and enforcing the jurisprudence delivered by the CJEU and the ECtHR. Legal practitioners who have exercised these forms of judicial dialogue have been invited to share their experiences.

Chair: **Aida Torres Perez** | University of Pompeu Fabra

C-564/19 – IS (the necessity of a preliminary ruling for national judges)
Judge, Hungary (tbc)

C-228/21 C-251/21 C-297-21 C-315/21 C-328/21 – The protection of fundamental rights as an exception to the principle of mutual trust in asylum
Luca Perilli | Judge, Court of Trento

The use of the preliminary reference procedure to defend judicial independence: the Polish experience
Judge, Poland (tbc)

The Carvalho Pinto de Sousa Morais v. Portugal saga: balancing freedom of expression of lawyers with the protection of judges' honour
Tiago Fidalgo de Freitas | CIDP

The Romanian rule of law saga – addressing conflicts between CJEU preliminary ruling and national constitutional jurisprudence
Dragos Calin | Court of Appeal of Bucharest

C-158/21 – Puig Gordi and Others – RoL issues in surrenders under the EAW

Discussion

31 October

09.30 - 10.00 **Lawyers role in defending the Rule of law**

Tomasz Koncewicz | University of Gdansk

10.00 - 10.40 **Case study 2 – Disciplinary proceedings and freedom of expression of judges and lawyers**

Discussion in four parallel working group sessions

10.40 - 11.00 Discussion in the plenary of the results and conclusion

11.00 - 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 - 13.00 **Primacy of EU law versus national constitutions**

Chair: **Gábor Halmai** | EUI

Marta Cartabia | former President of the Italian Constitutional Court (tbc)

Michał Ziółkowski | EUI, Kozminski University (tbc)

Dieter Grimm | former Judge at the German Constitutional Court (tbc)

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch break

14.00 - 15.15 **Case study 3**

Discussion in the plenary of the results and conclusions

15.15 - 16.15 *The role of international organisations and judicial networks in defending rule of law*

Chair: **Marta Achler** | EUI

ODIHR Recommendations on Judicial Independence and Accountability

Carolyn Hammer | ODIHR

The role of European judiciary associations before the CJEU

Maria Rosaria Guglielmi | MEDEL

16.15 - 16.30 Concluding remarks

Gábor Halmai | EUI