

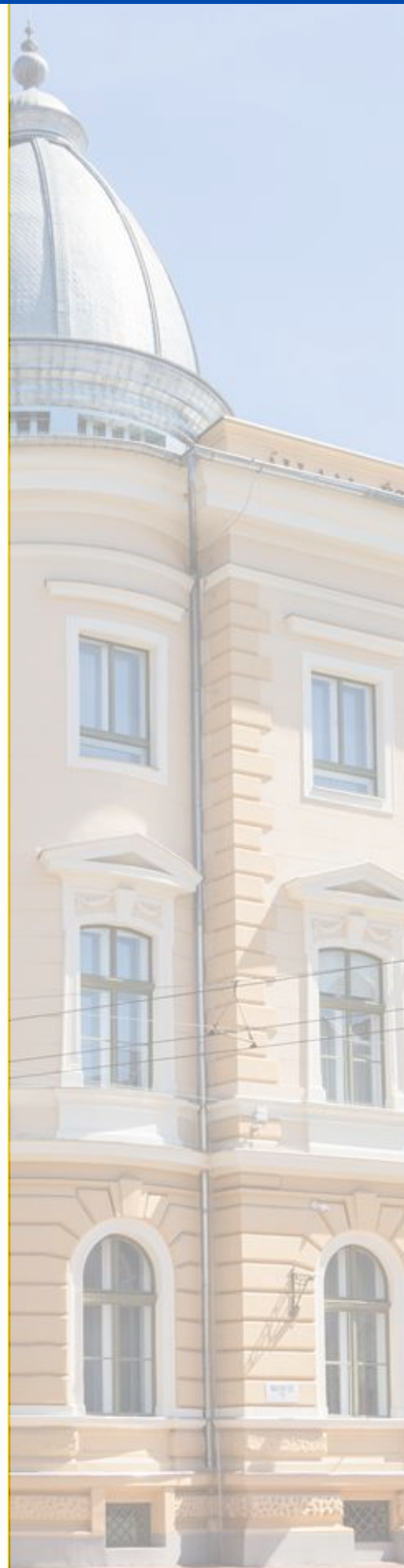
CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

**8th Biennial Conference of the
European Society for Comparative
Legal History:
Back to the Past and Building the
Future**

2-4 July 2025

**Faculty of Law and Political Sciences,
University of Szeged**

**54 Tisza Lajos Boulevard,
Szeged H-6720, Hungary**



Wednesday, 2 July 2025

9:00-12:00	PhD Workshop (Bibó Lecture Hall, JK105)			
12:00-13:00	Lunch for the participants of the PhD Workshop (Lobby on the first floor)			
13:00-13:50	Opening remarks (Assembly Hall)			
13:50-14:50	Keynote presentation Ulrike Müßig: <i>The Challenge of Reading Primary Sources. Learning from Humanist Sociability alongside the Networks of Konrad Celtis</i> (Assembly Hall)			
14:50-15:00	Break			
15:00-16:40	Panel 1. Traditions of Roman Law (Kovács István Classroom, JK201)	Panel 2. Chapters from the Legal History in the Medieval Europe (Buza László Classroom, JK203)	Panel 3. Methodological Viewpoints in Legal History Research (Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)	Panel 4. Legal Symbols in European Legal Tradition (Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)
16:40-17:00	Coffee break (Assembly Hall)			
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19:00 - 20:00	Cocktail-dinatoire (Assembly Hall)			

Thursday, 3 July 2025

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16:10-18:30	Free time			
18:30-19:00	Arrival at the Gala Dinner (Rector’s Office, 13 Dugonics Square, Szeged H-6720)			
19:00–20:00	Keynote presentation Stefan Vogenauer: <i>Back to the European Legal Past in Building the Future of Asian Contract Laws</i> (Rector’s Office, 13 Dugonics Square, Szeged H-6720)			
20:00-23:00	Gala Dinner (Rector’s Office, 13 Dugonics Square, Szeged H-6720)			

Friday, 4 July 2025

9:00–10:40	Panel 21. (Re)building Legal Institutions: The Evolution of the Notariat in Estonia, Latvia, Czechoslovakia, and Hungary between the two World Wars (Kovács István Classroom, JK201)	Panel 22. The Agency and Sovereignty of Commercial Cities in Western Europe (c. 1400-c. 1700) (Buza László Classroom, JK203)	Panel 23. Ubiquitous Emergencies: Revisiting the Theory and Praxis of Emergency from a Legal Historical Perspective (Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)	Panel 24. Substantive Criminal Law from Theoretical and Practical Perspective (Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)
10:40–11:00	Coffee break (Lobby on the first floor)			
11:00–12:40	Panel 25. Scenes of the Social Welfare System in the Hungarian Kingdom before and after the Bourgeois Transformation in a Comparative Context (Kovács István Classroom, JK201)	Panel 26. Mosaics from the Sphere of Administrative Law (Buza László Classroom, JK203)	Panel 27. From Law of Nations to Public International Law: Theory and Practice on the Verge of Professionalisation (1700–1870) (Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)	Panel 28. The Codification and Practice of Legal Institutions from the Field of Property Law (Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)
12:40–13:30	Lunch (Lobby on the first floor)			
13:30–15:10	Panel 29. Comparative Perspective on Legal Survivals in the Central European Post-Socialist Legal Space. Session 1. (Kovács István Classroom, JK201)	Panel 30. Building the Public Law Based on the Past (Buza László Classroom, JK203)	Panel 31. The Effect of War on Law (Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)	Panel 32. Legal Institutions of Law of Obligations (Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)
15:10–15:20	Break			
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History of Faculty of Law and Political Sciences in University of Szeged

The Faculty of Law at the University of Szeged traces its origins to the University of Kolozsvár, founded in 1872 by Emperor Franz Joseph I in present-day Cluj-Napoca, Romania, as part of a four-faculty institution including law. After the Trianon Treaty in 1921, the university relocated to Szeged, where it continued to develop, eventually becoming the Ferenc József University before adopting the name University of Szeged in 1944. The Faculty of Law has since grown into one of Hungary's leading law schools, known for combining theoretical education with practical training and offering diverse programs in Hungarian and foreign languages.



Wednesday, 2 July 2025

9:00 – 12:00: Registration for the conference

9:00 – 12:00: PhD Workshop (Bibó Lecture Hall, JK105)

Chair: Norbert Varga (Professor, University of Szeged, Hungary)

Keynotes for the PhD Workshop

9:00 – 9:45: Aniceto Masferrer (Professor, University of Valencia, Spain): *The Ideology of Modern Codes and the Role of Judges: The Need for a Comparative Legal History Approach*

9:45 – 10:30: Agustín Parise (Associate professor, University of Maastricht, Netherlands): *Igniting, Developing, and Disseminating Lines of Research in Comparative Legal History*

10:30 – 11:15: Maciej Mikula (Professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Legal History Projects Carried Out within the Framework of Consortia Funded by the European Commission and the International Visegrad Fund: Examples Include "FONTES" and "(Dis)Continuity Legal Systems."*

11:15 – 12:00: Jan Halberda (Associate professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Legal Heritage Lab at the Jagiellonian University and its "4I" projects*

12:00 – 13:00: Lunch for the participants of the PhD workshop (Lobby on the first floor)

13:00 – 13:50: Opening remarks (Assembly Hall)

Welcome remarks- Márta Töröcsikné Görög (Professor, University of Szeged)
Dean of the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences, University of Szeged,
President of the Csongrád-Csanád County's Frame Association of Hungarian Lawyers

Gábor Szabó (Professor, University of Szeged)

President of the Board of Foundation for the University of Szeged

Opening speech

Matthew Dyson (Professor, University of Oxford)

President of the European Society for Comparative Legal History

Norbert Varga (Professor, University of Szeged)

President of the Organising Committee of Szeged

13:50 – 14:50 Keynote presentation (Assembly Hall)

Chair: Matthew Dyson (Professor, University of Oxford, UK)

Ulrike Müßig (Head of the Chair for Civil Law, German and European Legal History, University of Passau, Germany): *The Challenge of Reading Primary Sources. Learning from Humanist Sociability alongside the Networks of Konrad Celtis*

14:50 – 15:00: Break



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Panel 1. Traditions of Roman Law

(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: József Benke (Professor, University of Pécs, Hungary)

Michael Binder (Assistant professor, University of Vienna, Austria): *Infitiando lis crescit in duplum. A Comparison of Roman Law and the Laws of Plato*

Kata Horváth (PhD student, University of Szeged, Hungary): *Dowry and Unjustified Enrichment in Roman Law. The Case of Ulp. 3 disp. D. 12,4,6*

Henrik-Riko Held (Associate professor, University of Zagreb, Croatia): *Rural Testaments from the District of Šibenik in the Early Modern Period (1637-1713): ius commune, Venetian Governance and Croatian Glagolitic Culture*

Rodrick van der Smissen (PhD student, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium): *Roman Law and the Formative Interpretation of History in the Nineteenth-Century*

Panel 2. Chapters from the Legal History in the Medieval Europe

(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Maciej Mikuła (Professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland)

Balázs László (External lecturer, University of Pécs, Hungary): *The 'Crown' in the Legal Documents of the Árpád Era: from Royalty towards the State*

Piotr Owsiak (Junior lawyer, Regional Chamber of Attorneys-at-Law in Cracow, Poland): *Between Steppe and Puszta – Comparison of Hungarian Werböczy Code of 1514 and Kazakh Code "Bright Path of Kassim Khan" of 1510*

Kaat Cappelle (Postdoctoral researcher, Ghent University, Belgium) – **Klaas Van Gelder** (Assistant professor, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium): *Policing Villagers in Medieval and Early Modern Flanders: A Quantitative Analysis of Rural Police Regulations and a Re-Evaluation of Law-Making at the Local Level*

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Panel 3. Methodological Viewpoints in Legal History Research
(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)
Chair: Michał Gałędek (Professor, University of Gdańsk, Poland)

Agustín Parise (Associate professor, University of Maastricht, Netherlands): *The Louisiana State Law Institute and the Development of Legal Science through Legal History and Legal Translation*

Brian Buchhalter Montero (Postdoctoral researcher, Complutense University of Madrid, Spain): *The Retrospective Analysis in Comparative Legal History*

Tomáš Havlíček (PhD student, Masaryk University, Czech Republic): *Discourse, Power, and Proportionality: A Critical Analysis of Judicial Reasoning in Europe*

Adolfo Giuliani (Lawyer, Italian Ministry for Education, Italy): *What is so Cool about Legal Traditions? It is about Thinking in Small-scale Models*

Panel 4. Legal Symbols in European Legal Tradition
(Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)
Chair: Annamaria Monti (Professor, University of Milan, Italy)

Martin Sunnqvist (Professor, University of Lund, Sweden): *Symbols of Law and Jurisdiction in the Seals of the Swedish 17th Century Courts of Appeal*

Zoltán Megyeri-Pálffi (Assistant professor, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary): *The Impact of Organisational and Procedural Changes on the Functional Design of Judicial Buildings in Modern Hungary*

Kinga Beliznai (Associate professor, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary): *Nice and Smart Fashion is the Fashion of the Judge's Robe*

16:40 – 17:00: Coffee break (Assembly Hall)

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17:00 – 18:40:

Panel 5. The Role of Legal Transfer in the Development of Law
(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: Ulrike Müßig (Professor, University of Passau, Germany)

Maciej Mikula (Professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Legal Borrowing in Central and Eastern Europe in the 15th and 16th Centuries*

Niels Fieremans (Postdoctoral researcher, Ghent University, Belgium): *The Legal Transition of Seigneurial and Princely Courts in the Late Medieval Low Countries*

David Schorr (Senior lecturer, Tel Aviv University, Israel): *Systemization of Law in the British Empire*

Juma Noah Omollo (PhD student, Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory, Germany): *Trajectories in British Colonial Legal Transfer and Jurisdictional Preferences in Legal Construction: A Histolegal Perspective*

Panel 6. State, Church and Canon Law
(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Marju Luts-Sootak (Professor, University of Tartu, Estonia)

Eszter Cs. Herger (Professor, University of Pécs, Hungary): *Universal Norms of European Legal Culture: Contributions to the Interpretation of the Collatio Legum Mosaicarum et Romanarum*

Piotr Alexandrowicz (Assistant professor, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland): *Early Modern Canon Law Commentaries: A Comparative Approach*

Paolo Astrorri (Assistant professor, University of Copenhagen, Denmark): *Ius Gentium in Early Modern Moral Theology: A Comparative Study of Protestant and Roman Catholic Thought*

Rafał Kaczmarczyk (Independent scholar, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Legal position of the Muslim Religious Union in interwar Poland: copying the Russian mode*

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Panel 7. Legal Culture from Antiquity to Nowadays

(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)

Chair: Merike Ristikivi (Associate professor, University of Tartu, Estonia)

Anna Ceglarska (Assistant professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland) -
Iwona Barwicka-Tylek (Associate professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Parrhesia and isegoria in ancient Athens: Foundations of the democratic institution of free speech*

Marianne Vasara-Aaltonen (University lecturer, University of Helsinki, Finland): *The Women's Movement and the History of Legal Aid: The Finnish Experience in a Comparative Perspective*

Bruno Rodrigues de Lima (Postdoctoral researcher, Max Planck Institute for Legal History & Legal Theory, Germany): *The Making of a Classic: Luiz Gama's Complete Works*

Kamila Staudigl-Ciechowicz (Assistant professor, University of Vienna, Austria): *'Frau Professor' - Wives of Legal Scholars between Patriarchy and Emancipation*

Panel 8. Aspects of the Development of Hungarian Private Law in the Interwar Period with an European perspective

(Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)

Chair: Norbert Varga (Professor, University of Szeged, Hungary)

Máté Pétervári (Assistant professor, University of Szeged, Hungary): *Changes in Insolvency Law in the Shadow of the First World War in the Two Member States of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy*

Bence Krusóczki (PhD student, University of Szeged, Hungary): *Comparison of the Development in Judicial Practice of Hungarian and Austrian Competition Law in Light of the First Hungarian Competition Act*

Benedek Varga (PhD student, University of Szeged, Hungary): *Comparison of the Hungarian and German Regulation of Fraudulent and Culpable Bankruptcy*

Dénes Legeza (Researcher, Hungarian Intellectual Property Office, Hungary): *The Enforcement of Public Performance Right in the Interwar Period*

19:00 - 20:00: Cocktail-dinatoire (Assembly Hall)
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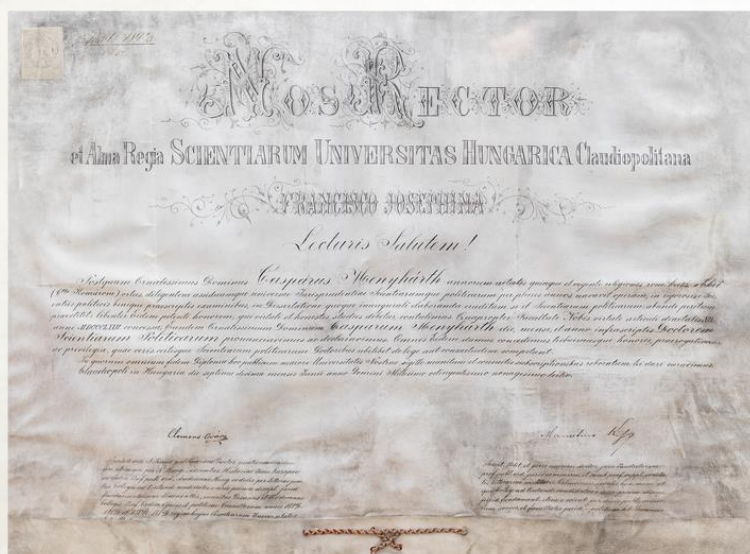
GÁSPÁR MENYHÁRTH

(1868-1940)

Professor in Austrian and Hungarian Private Law from 1911 to 1939

Gáspár Menyhárh (1868 – 1940), the first rector after the university moved from Cluj-Napoca (Kolozsvár) to Szeged, his research covered Austrian and Hungarian private law.

„The studies he presented testify not only to his extensive professional knowledge – of judicial practice and the literature of his time – but also to his profound humanism, which enabled him to find the means, even within the strict limits of the law, to propose to the legislators the best possible solution for his fellow human beings.” (Prof. Dr. Mária Homoki-Nagy; former head of the Department of Hungarian Legal History)



Law degree of Gáspár Menyhárh from 1892 which can be viewed at the exhibition of the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences at University of Szeged in the cupola room nowadays.

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9:00 – 12:00: Registration for the conference

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Panel 9. Entanglements and Overlaps: Legal System and Judicial Practices in the Early Modern Venetian "Terraferma"

(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: Federica Paletti (Associate professor, University of Brescia, Italy)

Marco Castelli (Post-Doctoral Researcher, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland): *The Local Statute Between the Defense of Tradition and an Evolutionary Interpretation: A Reflection of the Clash Between Roman and Venetian Legal Cultures*

Elisabetta Fusar Poli (Professor, University of Brescia, Italy): *Legal Layers in the Venetian Terraferma: Navigating Local Law and Justice*

Alan Sandona (Researcher, University of Bergamo, Italy): *Norms and Civil Procedural Practice in the Venetian Terraferma: A Case Study of Sixteenth-Century Rulings by the Praetorian Vicar of Vicenza*

Panel 10. Legal Professions and Legal Education

(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Kamila Staudigl-Ciechowicz (Assistant professor, University of Vienna, Austria)

Aya Bejerimi (PhD student, University of Bordeaux, France): *Transformation of Jurists in Egypt: the Emergence of Professional Legal Practice (1856-1955)*

Marju Luts-Sootak (Professor, University of Tartu, Estonia) – **Karl Kristofer Alp** (Teaching assistant, University of Tartu, Estonia): *Right of Defence by the Special Procedure of the Prosecutorial Supervision of Court Rulings in Force*

Alexandra Garifullina (PhD student, University of Lille, France): *Shaping the Science of International Law through Legal Education in Soviet Russia: Insights from the Archives of Vladimir Hrabar (1865-1956)*

Alicia Haripershad (PhD student, Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory, Germany): *The Stains of Colonial Law? An Exploration of the Educational Framework's Entrenchments in the Cape Colony and Northern Rhodesia c. 1880 to 1930*



Panel 11. The Codification and Practice of Criminal Law in Europe

(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)

Chair: Massimo Meccarelli (Professor, University of Macerata, Italy)

András Biczó (Assistant lecturer, University of Debrecen, Hungary): *An Examination of the Comments on the Foreign-Origin Praxis Criminalis Made by a Noble County in the Northwest Part of the Hungarian Kingdom in the Late 1720s*

Szilvia Bató (Independent researcher, Hungary): *German and Austrian Influences in the Mid-19th Century on Hungarian Criminal Law Codification: Crimes against Life and Physical Integrity in the 1843 Proposal and the 1869 Revision*

Claudia Passarella (Assistant professor, University of Padua, Italy): *A Much Needed and too Often Neglected Perspective: Criminal Trials and Archival Sources in the Late 19th and Early 20th Century*

Marcin Łysko (Professor, University of Białystok, Poland): *Could the Misdemeanour Law Serve as a Tool of Political Repressions? The Adjudicating on Petty Offences in the People's Poland in the Light of Archives of Institute of National Remembrance*

Panel 12. Colonial Law, Policy, and the Classification of Subjects in the Portuguese Seaborne Empire (Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries) - Cancelled

10:40 -11:00: Coffee break (Lobby on the first floor)

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11:00 – 12:40:

Panel 13. Basic Principles of Private Law, Marriage Law and Law of Inheritance

(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: Eszter Herger Cs. (Professor, University of Pécs, Hungary)

Benke József (Professor, University of Pécs, Hungary): *Spirality in the European Continental History of Legal Inference on the Example of the General Prohibition of Inconsistent Behavior*

Jan Halberda (Associate professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Principles of Community Life as the Safety Valve of Polish Private Law in the 20th and 21st c.*

Nagy Péter (Assistant professor, Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church, Hungary): *The Problems of Hungarian Marriage Law at the End of the 19th Century*

Mateusz Ulanowicz (PhD student, University of Bialystok, Poland): *Testate Succession in the Napoleonic Code and the Third Statute of Lithuania – a Comparative Law Analysis*

Panel 14. The Functioning of Judicial System: Regulation and Practice

(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Martin Sunnqvist (Professor, University of Lund, Sweden)

Łukasz Gołaszewski (Assistant professor, University of Warsaw, Poland): *How Do We Get to the Truth? Or Just Settle a Dispute? Evidentiary Proceedings in the Noble and Ecclesiastical Courts of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth in the Light of 16th-18th Century Practice*

David Irazábal (PhD student, Pompeu Fabra University, Spain): *Iudex non tenetur exprimere causam in sententia? Early Modern European Judicial Reasoning in a Comparative Perspective*

Thomas Mohr (Associate professor, University College Dublin, Ireland): *Hungarian Influence and the Arbitration Courts of Revolutionary Ireland, 1917-1920*

Paweł Kaźmierski (PhD student, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Between Provisioning and Improvisation: the Difficult Beginning of (Re)building the Common Judiciary in the Polish „Recovered Territories” and in the Soviet Occupation Zone of Germany after WWII*

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Panel 15. Chapters from the World of Private and Commercial Law

(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)

Chair: Dave De ruysscher (Professor, University of Tilburg, Netherlands; Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium)

Ana Belem Fernandez Castro (Postdoctoral fellow, Scuola Superiore Meridionale, Italy): *Forum Shopping: Why Was It Crucial in the Legal Support of Long-Distance Trade? The case of Sixteenth-Century Valencia*

Sarah Limao Papa (PhD student, Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany): *Immemorial Possession: Conflicts over Commons in 18th Century Portuguese America*

Janwillem Oosterhuis (Associate professor, University of Maastricht, Netherlands): *The Free Market in 19th Century Dutch Commercial Law*

Ionut Vida-Simiti (Lecturer, Iuliu Hetieganu University of Medicine and Pharmacy from Cluj-Napoca, Romania): *Medical Liability in Transylvania: Transition from the Austrian and Hungarian Legal Framework to the Romanian Legislation*

João de Oliveira Geraldês (Professor, University of Lisbon, Portugal): *The Acceptance of Unilateral Promises as Sources of Obligations and the Preparatory Works of the Portuguese Civil Code of 1966*

Panel 16. Steps towards the Establishment of Labour and Social Law

(Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)

Chair: Frederik Dhondt (Associate professor, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium)

Pieterjan Schepens (PhD student, Ghent University, Belgium): *Did Guilds Lie at the Origin of Modern Social Security? The Case of Belgium*

Luca Salvadori (PhD graduate, Magna Græcia University, Italy): *Mutualism in 19th Century: a European Comparison*

Laila Maia Galvão (Professor, Federal Institute of Paraná, Brazil): *Cross-Border Influences on Social Control in Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires (1906-1919): The Establishment of Police Schools and the Repression of the Workers' Movement*

Jasper Van de Woestijne (PhD student, Ghent University, Belgium): *The Meetings of European Labour Court Judges (1984-present): Hubs of Cross-Fertilization with regard to Access to Labour Justice*

12:40 – 13:30: Lunch (Lobby on the first floor)

Thursday, 3 July 2025



12:40 – 13:30: Lunch talk – Meet the Editors of Comparative Legal History: Insights on Publishing Legal History.

(Assembly Hall)

Moderator: David Schorr (Senior lecturer, Tel Aviv University, Israel)

Participants:

Piotr Alexandrowicz (Assistant professor, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland)

Emmanuel von Dongen (Associate professor, Utrecht University, Netherlands)

Stephen Hewer (Researcher, Ghent University, Belgium)

Gwilym Owen (Senior lecturer, Bangor University, UK)

13:30 – 14:30: ESCLH general meeting (Assembly Hall)

14:30 – 16:10:

Panel 17. Marriage and Divorce in the 19th-Century Western Tradition: France, Spain and Louisiana

(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: Joshua C. Tate (Professor, Southern Methodist University, USA)

Aniceto Masferrer (Professor, University of Valencia, Spain): *The Role of Nature, Natural Law and Natural Reason in the Making of Marriage in the Western Legal Tradition*

Marta Cantín-Larumbe (PhD student, University of Valencia, Spain): *One Matrimonial System and Two Jurisdictions: Marriage in the Spanish Nineteenth-Century Legal System. An Approach up to Promulgating the Civil Marriage Law of 1870*

Julie Rocheton (Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory, Germany): *From Partial to Total Dissolution: Divorce in 19th Century Louisiana*

Patricia Plana de Juan (PhD student, University of Valencia, Spain): *Morality and Marriage Agreements in the 19th Century Civil Codes of France, Spain and Louisiana*

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Panel 18. Procedural Law Reforms in Europe

(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Tomáš Gábriš (Professor, University of Trnava, Slovakia)

Kacper Górski (Assistant professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Habeas Corpus or the Right to Due Legal Process? The Neminem Captivabimus privilege (1430–1433) in Theory and Practice in Early Modern Poland*

José Franco-Chasán (Professor, University Rey Juan Carlos, Spain): *A Plea for the De-romanticisation of Duel: Outlawing Honour Fighting or Common Brawling?*

Izabela Wasik (PhD student, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *When the Justice System is too Rapid – Ad hoc Courts in the Habsburg Monarchy Using the Example of the Kingdom of Galicia and Lodomeria in the 19th and 20th Centuries*

Panel 19. The Influence of Economic Development to the Legal System

(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)

Chair: Jan Halberda (Associate professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland)

Dariusz Piotrowski (PhD student, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Kompania Manufaktur Wełnianych (1766) – the Basis of Polish Joint-Stock Company Regulation or a 'sui generis' Entity Detached from Modern Times?*

Balázs Pálvölgyi (Associate professor, University of Győr, Hungary): *Immigrant Banking and the Limits of State Regulation: the Case of the United States and Hungary (1903–1917)*

Emmanuel von Dongen (Associate professor, Utrecht University, Netherlands): *The German Hyperinflation and the impact on Dutch law*

Jakub Pokoj (Assistant professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Interwar Polish Regulations on Shortages of Basic Goods from the Archival Perspective*

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Panel 20. Expanding Constitutional Time. On the Complexity of Constitution-Making Processes in Brazil and Italy after World War II.

(Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)

Chair: Elisabetta Fusar Poli (Professor, University of Brescia, Italy)

Massimo Meccarelli (Professor, University of Macerata, Italy): *Before the Constituent Assembly: After-Effects of the Past and the Issue of Future in the Making of Democratic Constitution in Italy (1943-1948)*

Raphael Peixoto de Paula Marques (Professor, Ufersa University, Brazil): *Ambiguities of Authority: Disputes Over Constituent Power in Brazil's Transition from Authoritarianism to Democracy (1945-1946)*

Ana Carolina Couto (Postdoctoral researcher, University of Macerata, Italy): *Beyond the Assembly: the Socio-Economic Rights vs Market-Oriented Forces on Brazil's 1980s Constitution-Making Process*

16:10 – 18:30: Free time

18:30 – 19:00: Arrival at the Keynote Presentation of Stefan Vogenauer and Gala Dinner (Rector's Office, 13 Dugonics Square, Szeged H-6720)

19:00 – 20:00: Keynote presentation (Open only to those choosing registration packages including dinner)

(Rector's Office, 13 Dugonics Square, Szeged H-6720)

Chair: Kentaro Matsubara (Professor, University of Tokyo, Japan)

Stefan Vogenauer (Director of Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory, Germany): *Back to the European Legal Past in Building the Future of Asian Contract Laws*

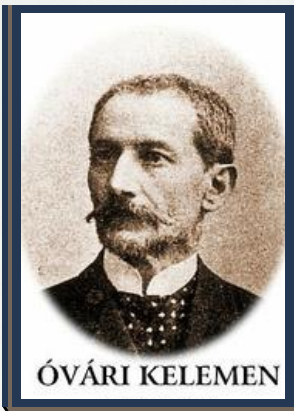
20:00 – 23:00: Dinner

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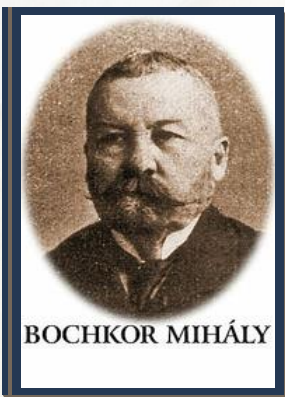
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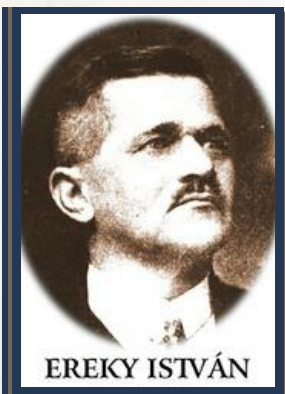
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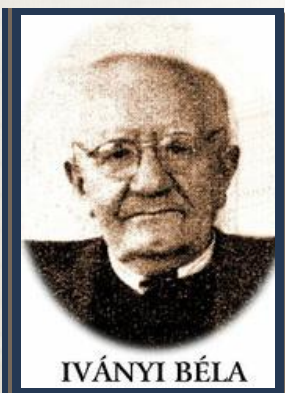
Kelemen Óvári (1844–1925; Head of the Department from 1872 to 1916) was the first professor in legal history in University of Cluj-Napoca (Kolozsvár) established in 1872. He was celebrated for his extensive work on European and Hungarian legal history, including his role in compiling and annotating the collection of Hungarian municipal legal regulations from 1885 to 1902. His other main research area was bankruptcy law.



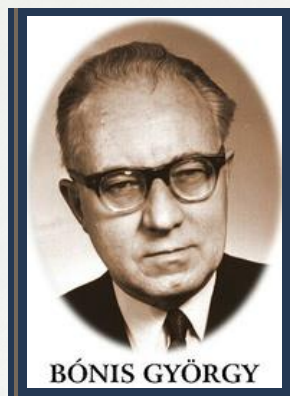
Mihály Bockhor (1877–1920; Head of the Department from 1917 to 1920) was a Hungarian-Romanian legal historian and canon law jurist, known for his scholarly work on the historical development of ecclesiastical law in Central Europe. Besides, he was an expert of the legal education.



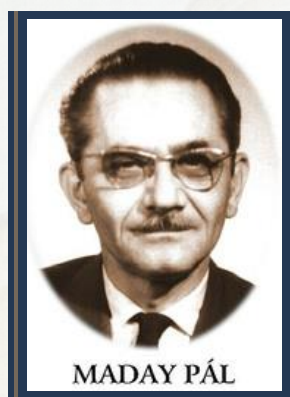
István Ereky (1876–1943; Head of the Department from 1921 to 1924) was the first professor in legal history in University of Szeged. He made significant contributions to the field of administrative law, focusing on local government autonomy and the development of public administration systems. His extensive research included works like *"Public Administration and Self-Government"*.



Béla Iványi (1878–1964; Head of the Department from 1927 to 1938) He focused on medieval legal history, which he researched on the basis of sources from the Middle Ages. He processed and published the material of several family and town archives (e.g. Bártfa, Gönc, Eger), and his source publications are still valuable sources for Hungarian urban history research.



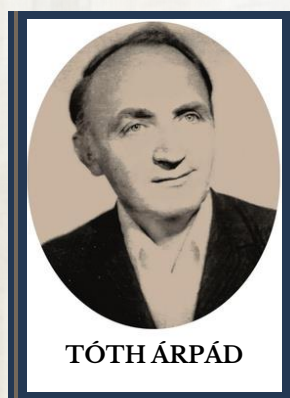
György Bónis (1914-1985; Head of the Department from 1940 to 1957) was an internationally recognised legal historian, who specialised in the study of medieval Hungarian law and feudal legal institutions and the history of criminal law in the 18th century. He is credited with the discovery of the first proposal for a Hungarian criminal law based on archival sources.



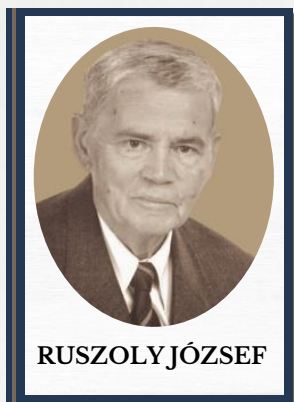
Pál Maday (1914-1992; Head of the Department from 1957 to 1965) His scientific interest was mainly drawn to the study of local history, especially the history of the country towns (oppidum). His best works in this field are *"The History of the Towns and Villages of Békés County"* and *"The History of Szarvas"*.



Ödön Both (1924-1985; Head of the Department from 1965 to 1985) was an associate professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Szeged, who conducted outstanding research on the history of Hungarian criminal law and freedom of the press. Among his major works are the textbook *"The Establishment of the Press Law of 1848"* and the textbook *"The Universal History of State and Law"*, which he co-authored.



Árpád Tóth (1927-2008; Head of the Department from 1985 to 1988) His academic interest was directed towards the study of exceptional power of the government. From the period of dualism to the end of the First World War, he investigated the nature and application of this exceptional legal institution in public law practice.



RUSZOLYJÓZSEF

József Ruszoly (1940–2017; Head of the Department from 1989 to 2005) was a distinguished Hungarian legal historian and university professor, renowned for his extensive contributions to the study of constitutional and legal history in Hungary and Europe. He served as a professor at the University of Szeged, where he headed the Department of Legal History from 1988 to 2005, and played a pivotal role in shaping legal education at multiple Hungarian institutions, including the universities of Miskolc and Debrecen. József Ruszoly authored over 700 publications, including influential works such as *„The Legal History of Europe”* and *„Electoral adjudication in Hungary 1848-1948”*, which remain key references in the field.



HOMOKI-NAGY
MÁRIA

In 2005 the Department of Legal History of the University of Szeged was divided into the Department of European Legal History and the Department of Hungarian Legal History. The Department of Hungarian Legal History was headed by **Mária Homoki-Nagy**, university professor until 2024, while the Head of the Department of European Legal History was appointed Professor **Elemér Balogh**, university professor in 2005, who held this position until 2023.



BALOGH ELEMÉR



VARGA NORBERT

Since 2023, **Tamás Antal**, university professor has been the Head of the Department of European Legal History. In 2024, **Norbert Varga**, university professor was appointed Head of the Department of Hungarian Legal History.



ANTAL TAMÁS

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9:00 – 12:00: Registration for the conference

9:00 – 10:40:

Panel 21. (Re)building Legal Institutions: The Evolution of the Notariat in Estonia, Latvia, Czechoslovakia, and Hungary between the Two World Wars

(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: Valdis Blūzma (Professor, Turība University, Latvia)

Merike Ristikivi (Associate professor, University of Tartu, Estonia): *The Development of the Notariat in Interwar Estonia*

Jan Kober (Researcher, Charles University, Czech Republic): *The Notaries in Czechoslovakia during the Interwar Period*

Valéria Kiss (Assistant professor, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary): *The Hungarian Notariat Between the Two World Wars*

Sanita Osipova (Professor, University of Latvia, Latvia): *Notarial System in Latvia 1918–1940*

Panel 22. The Agency and Sovereignty of Commercial Cities in Western Europe (c. 1400–c. 1700)

(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Aniceto Masferrer (Professor, University of Valencia, Spain)

Dave De ruysscher (Professor, University of Tilburg, Netherlands; Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium): *Sovereignty and Agency of Cities of Trade: Gaps and Promises*

Femke Gordijn (PhD student, University of Tilburg, Netherlands): *Urban Networks, Governance and Commercial Law: the Case of Southampton (c. 1420–1510)*

Erik Andriws Gonzalez Barrera (PhD student, University of Tilburg, Netherlands): *Sovereignty and the City: Power Dynamics between the Municipal Government and the Parliament of Toulouse during the Early Sixteenth Century*

Daniel Bökenkamp (PhD student, University of Tilburg, Netherlands): *Treaties of Cities and States – Sixteenth-Century Rouen as a Diplomatic Actor*



Panel 23. Ubiquitous Emergencies: Revisiting the theory and praxis of emergency from a legal historical perspective

(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)

Chair: Luisa Brunori (Professor, École Normale Supérieure, France)

Cosmin Cercel (Professor, Ghent University, Belgium): *Translating the Siege: Civilian and Military Authority during the Interwar Era*

A. James Hannaford (PhD student, Ghent University, Belgium) - **Mihai-Claudiu Dragomirescu** (PhD student, Ghent University, Belgium): *Understanding Emergency through the Lens of International Human Rights Law: A Historical Investigation*

Louis Marius Bremond (PhD student, Ghent University, Belgium) - **Elias Roberto Dessantis** (PhD student, Ghent University, Belgium): *When the Legitimacy Becomes the Threat: Exceptional Regimes of Emergency and Coups d'état*

Panel 24. Substantive Criminal Law from Theoretical and Practical Perspective

(Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)

Chair: Matthew Dyson (Professor, University of Oxford, UK)

Pál Szabó (Assistant professor, University of Szeged, Hungary): *'in caput domini servi torquentur' - The Rule of Torture of Servants on Suspicion of High Treason in the German Golden Bull (1356) and its Roman Legal Parallel*

Mattia Rizza (PhD student, University of Milan, Italy): *"Falliti sunt infames". The Criminal Implication of the Merchant's Bankruptcy in Early Modern Italy (16th-17th Centuries)*

Mlle Samantha Pratali (Associate professor, Catholic University of Lille, France): *Regulating Prostitution in France from 1791 to 1946: An Example for the Future*

10:40 – 11:00: Coffee break (Lobby on the first floor)

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11:00 – 12:40:

Panel 25. Scenes of the Social Welfare System in the Hungarian Kingdom before and after the Bourgeois Transformation in a Comparative Context

(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: Laila Maia Galvão (Professor, Federal Institute of Paraná, Brazil)

Balázs Rigó (Assistant professor, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary): *Elements of Social Care in Early Modern Corporative Societies - Guilds and Urban Statutes*

Zsuzsanna Peres (Associate professor, Ludovika University of Public Service, Hungary): *The Role of the Nobility in the Social Welfare System in the Early Modern Hungary and Austria*

Enikő Kovács-Szépvolgyi (Assistant professor, Széchenyi István University, Hungary): *Administrative Child Protection in Hungary During the Period of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy*

Panel 26. Mosaics from the Sphere of Administrative Law
(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Máté Pétervári (Assistant professor, University of Szeged, Hungary)

Zoltán Liktör (Lecturer, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Hungary): *To Govern an Empire from the Distance – The Council of the Indies and the Viceroy of New Spain and Peru in the 16th and 17th Centuries*

Livia Solana (PhD student, University of Paraná, Brazil): *The Construction of Transnational Spaces for the Circulation and Translation of Knowledge and an Example in the History of Administrative Law*

Michał Gałędek (Professor, University of Gdańsk, Poland) – **Paulina Kamińska** (Assistant professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *What Did Administrative Rights, Administrative Code, Administrative Execution and Administrative Jurisdiction Mean in the Kingdom of Poland at the Beginning of 19th Century?*

Ivan Kosnica (Associate professor, University of Zagreb, Croatia) – **Iva Lopižić** (Associate professor, University of Zagreb, Croatia): *Croatian Legal Tradition, Centralisation and the Great Prefect of the Zagreb Region (1922 – 1929)*

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Panel 27. From Law of Nations to Public International Law: Theory and Practice on the Verge of Professionalisation (1700-1870)

(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)

Chair: Cosmin Cercel (Professor, University of Ghent, Belgium)

Stefano Cattelan (Postdoctoral researcher, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium): *Venetian and Nordic Neutralities at the Turn of the 18th Century: Comparative Perspectives*

Frederik Dhondt (Associate professor, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium): *Containing and Instrumentalising State Violence in Early Enlightenment Europe (1718-1726)*

Raphaël Cahen (Senior researcher, Justus-Liebig University Gießen, Germany; Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium): *Legal advisers in foreign affairs and the birth of the legal profession around 1860: the case of Japan and the Ottoman Empire*

Panel 28. The Codification and Practice of Legal Institutions from the Field of Property Law

(Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)

Chair: Agustín Parise (Associate professor, University of Maastricht, Netherlands)

Anna Novitskaya (Postdoctoral researcher, University of Vienna, Austria): *Personal" and "Real" Property Rights: The Influence of Roman Law, Natural Law, and the ABGB on the Broad Understanding of Property Rights in the Civil Code (Svod Zakonov Graždanskich) of the Russian Empire in the 19th Century*

Asya Ostroukh (Senior lecturer, University of the West Indies, Barbados): *Materials of Codification Commissions in Francophone Switzerland, Louisiana and Quebec as an Important Source for Understanding Modern Property Law*

Piotr Pomianowski (Professor, University of Warsaw, Poland): *Divided Ownership in Rural Relations of the Duchy of Warsaw and the Congress Kingdom in the Light of the Primary Sources*

Joshua C. Tate (Professor, Southern Methodist University, USA): *From Land to Liberty: Immigration and Property Rights in the U.S. Declaration of Independence*

12:40 – 13:30: Lunch (Lobby on the first floor)

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13:30 – 15:10:

Panel 29. Comparative Perspective on Legal Survivals in the Central European Post-Socialist Legal Space – Session 1

(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: Piotr Eckhardt (Postdoctoral researcher, Ignatianum University in Cracow, Poland)

Rafał Mańko (Research affiliate, Central European University Democracy Institute, Hungary): *Circulation of Legal Forms in Time and Space: Survivals and Revivals*

Dorota Miler (Associate professor, University of Gdańsk, Poland; University of Augsburg, Germany): *Intestate Rights for Individuals Living in a Common Household as a Legal Survival of Soviet Law*

Peter Čuroš (Assistant professor, Institute of Political Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland): *One to Rule Them All—the Slovak Public Prosecution Service*

Panel 30. Building the Public Law Based on the Past

(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Manuel Gutan (Professor, University of Sibiu, Romania)

László Komáromi (Associate professor, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Hungary): *Possible Precursors of the Direct Democratic Institutions of the Girondin Draft Constitution of 1793 and Their Impact on Later Constitutional Development*

Dávid Surjányi (PhD student, University of Pécs, Hungary): *From Napoleon to the Muslim Brotherhood – How Western Legal Impact Led to Egypt's Partial Secularization, as well as Its Sharia-Based Antithesis: Islamism*

Josep Capdeferro (Associate professor, Pompeu Fabra University, Spain): *Avoiding Partiality in Major Disputes. Three Inspiring Experiences from Early Modern Catalonia*

Konrad Rokicki (PhD student, University of Warsaw, Poland): *State and Party Control over the Judiciary during the Stalinist Period: A Comparative Analysis of Similarities and Differences in Poland and the Lithuanian Soviet Socialist Republic*

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Panel 31. The Effect of War on Law

(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)

Chair: Luisa Brunori (Professor, École Normale Supérieure, France)

Przemysław Gawron (Lecturer, University of Warsaw, Poland) – **Jan Jerzy Sowa** (Assistant professor, University of Warsaw, Poland): *The Standing Army Debate in the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth in the 17th Century*

Tania Atilano Camacho (Postdoctoral researcher, University of Zürich, Switzerland): *The Practice of the Laws of War During the Independence War in Mexico*

Sebastiaan Vandenbogaerde (Professor, Ghent University, Belgium): *A Comparison of Belgian and French Tribunals of War Damages After World War I*

Amber Gardeyn (PhD student, Ghent University, Belgium): *Reshaping Europe: Post-War Institutions for Restitution in Belgium, France and the Netherlands*

Panel 32: Legal Institutions of Law of Obligations

(Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)

Chair: Stefan Vogenauer (Professor, Director of Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory, Germany)

David Magalhães (Assistant professor, University of Coimbra, Portugal): *The Lessor's Liability for Defective Objects. From Roman Law to the Draft Common Frame of Reference*

Krzysztof Bokwa (Assistant professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland): *Money for Pain? Non-Pecuniary Damage in Austrian law*

Joó László Ádám (PhD student, University of Debrecen, Hungary): *Relationships between Laesio Enormis and the Special Damage Mitigation Lawsuits following the Second Vienna Award*

15:10 – 15:20: Break

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15:20 – 17:00:

Panel 33. Comparative Perspective on Legal Survivals in the Central European Post-Socialist Legal Space – Session 2.

(Kovács István Classroom, JK201)

Chair: Rafał Mańko (Research affiliate, Central European University Democracy Institute, Hungary)

Piotr Eckhardt (Postdoctoral researcher, Ignatianum University in Cracow, Poland): *Central European Allotment Garden Management Institutions as Legal Survival of State Socialism*

Ivan Tot (Associate professor, University of Zagreb, Croatia): *The Influence of Socialist Legal Systems on the Yugoslav Law on Obligations and Socialist Legal Survivals in Modern Croatian Law of Obligations*

Tomáš Gábriš (Professor, University of Trnava, Slovakia): *The Survival of the 'separate ownership of buildings' (aedificium solo non cedit) in the Slovak Republic*

Valdis Blūzma (Professor, Turība University, Latvia): *Returning to Europe: The Constitutional Designs on the Restoration of Independence of the Baltic States – Common and Different Features*

Panel 34. The Transformative Power of Certain (Constitutional) Provisions

(Buza László Classroom, JK203)

Chair: Emőd Veress (Professor, Sapientia Hungarian University of Transylvania, Romania, University of Miskolc, Hungary)

Judit Beke-Martos (Assistant professor, Ruhr University Bochum, Germany): *An Executive for These United States – Creating the Office of the U.S. President*

Gábor Bathó (Assistant professor, Ludovika University of Public Service, Hungary): *Dangerous Cumulation of Powers – Members of Government in the Legislation*

Imre Képesy (Assistant professor, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary): *A Misinterpreted Instruction? – The Genuine Aim Behind Convening the Conference of the Justice of the Realm of 1861*

Mátyás Szabó (Assistant lecturer, Ludovika University of Public Service, Hungary): *The Interpretations of Hans Kelsen and István Tisza on the Legal Nature of the „Austro-Hungarian Compromise” in 1867*

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Panel 35. Protecting of Minorities and Ethnic Law

(Nagy Ferenc Classroom, JK206)

Chair: Ivan Kosnica (Associate professor, University of Zagreb, Croatia)

Stephen Hewer (Researcher, Ghent University, Belgium): *Small Boats from Calais: Low Countries Immigrants to Medieval England, Medieval (Scalar?) Identities, Xenophobic Chroniclers and Legal Status*

Hsu Yincheng (Associate professor, National Taiwan Ocean University, Taiwan): *The Legal History of Mexico and Taiwan in the Postcolonial Era: The Legal Advocacy and Resistance of Indigenous Communities*

Patrícia Dominika Niklai (Assistant professor, University of Pécs, Hungary): *Organisations of the German Youth in Hungary during the Second World War in South Transdanubia*

Dóra Frey (Assistant professor, Andrassy University, Hungary): *Refugees and Displaced Persons – Legal Regulation of the Consequences of Forced Migration after the Second World War in Hungary in International Comparison*

Panel 36. Legal Modernisation, Traditional Belief Systems, and the Formation of Transnational East Asia

(Kemenes Béla Classroom, JK208)

Chair: Fernanda Pirie (Professor, University of Oxford, UK)

Kentaro Matsubara (Professor, University of Tokyo, Japan): *The Creation of Modern Property Regimes in China and Japan: Local Social Structuring, Religious Community-Building, and the Idea of Government*

Bryan Tiojanco (Associate professor, University of Tokyo, Japan): *Constitutionalism, Global Modernity, and the Separation of Church and State in the turn-of-the-Twentieth-Century Philippine Revolution*

Egas Bender de Moniz Bandeira (Affiliate Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Legal History & Legal Theory, Germany): *Comparative History and Constitution-Making: The Role of Comparisons between Chinese and Japanese History for Constitution-Making in Late Imperial China*

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