

# Alternative Dispute Resolution and the Rule of Law: Trends and Challenges

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Venue: Europa-Institut, Saarland University, building B 2.1, lecture hall 308

9:00-9:15	Welcome	Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg/ Prof. Dr. Goran Koevski
9:15-9:30	Launching the Dialogue: Rule of Law and ADR	Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, Europa-Institut, Saarland University
9:30-10:00	Rule of Law Considerations for a CoE Special Tribunal for Ukraine: Lessons from the ECtHR	Prof. Dr. Christina Binder, University of the Bundeswehr
<b>Commercial Arbitration</b>		
<b>Moderation: Prof. Dr. Goran Koevski</b>		
10:00-10:30	Some Peculiarities of the Legal Framework on Commercial Arbitration in Bosnia and Herzegovina	Sevleta Halilovic (University of Sarajevo)
10:30-11:00	Challenges in the Process of Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards in the Republic of North Macedonia	Ass. Prof. Dr. Ljuben Kocev, PhD (Ss. Cyrill and Methodius University Skopje)
11:00-11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30-12:00	Annulment of Arbitral Awards Rendered in Albania: Trends and Challenges	Silvana Cinari, PhD (University of Tirana)

<b>Investment Arbitration</b>		
<b>Moderation: Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg</b>		
12:00-12:30	Promotion of the Rule of Law in the Western Balkans: The Impact of Investment Arbitration	Vlatko Tokarev (Veton Qoku in cooperation with Karanovic & Partners/ Ss. Cyrill and Methodius University Skopje)
12:30-13:00	Mediation of Investment Disputes under the ICSID Mediation Rules: An Overview	Assoc. Prof. Dr. Catharine Titi (French National Centre for Scientific Research and CERSA, University Paris-Panthéon-Assas)
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
<b>Mediation</b>		
<b>Moderation: Dr. Mareike Fröhlich</b>		
14:00-14:30	Mandatory Initial Mediation Session: Evaluating the Effects of Compulsion in Dispute Resolution—The Case of North Macedonia	Prof. Tatjana Zoroska Kamilvoska, PhD/ Prof. Milka Rakocevic, PhD (Ss. Cyrill and Methodius University Skopje)
14:30-15:00	The Binding Nature of Mediation Settlements in North Macedonia: Aspects of Validity and Enforcement	Marjana Staninova (Popovski & Partners/ Ss. Cyrill and Methodius University Skopje)
15:00-15:30	ADR for Consumer Disputes in the Consumer Protection Legislation of North Macedonia	Prof. Neda Zdraveva, PhD (Ss. Cyrill and Methodius University Skopje)
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00-16:30	Mediation Mechanisms in Serbian Intellectual Property Law: A Steady Progression	Prof. Dusan Popovic, PhD (University of Belgrade)
16:30-17:00	Coffee Break	
17:00-17:30	Exploring the New Croatian Mediation Framework: A Leap Forward or a Setback?	Ass. Prof. Juraj Brozovic, PhD (University of Zagreb)
17:30-18:00	Plea Bargaining and Guilty Plea as Negotiated Justice Instruments in Macedonian Criminal Trials	Prof. Boban Misoški, PhD (Ss. Cyrill and Methodius University Skopje)
18:00-18:30	Concluding Remarks	Prof. Goran Koevski, PhD (Ss. Cyrill and Methodius University Skopje)