



JEAN-MONNET-SYMPOSIUM: “THE EUROPEAN UNION AS PROTECTOR AND PROMOTER OF EQUALITY”

Venue	European Academy of Otzenhausen
Hotel	European Academy of Otzenhausen Europahausstraße 35, 66620 Nonnweiler, Germany
Beginning	Thursday, 28 March 2019
End	Saturday , 30 March 2019
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PROGRAMME

Thursday, 28 March 2019	
From 16.00 onwards	Arrival and Registration Reception EAO
19.00	Welcome Reception and Dinner Restaurant
Friday, 29 March 2019	
From 7.30	Breakfast Restaurant
9.00 – 9.10	Welcome and Introduction Prof. Dr. THOMAS GIEGERICH Director, Europa-Institut of Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Germany
A. Equality as a Fundamental Value of the EU	
9.10 – 9.30	Are Equality and Non-Discrimination part of the EU's Constitutional Identity? Prof. Dr. STEFAN KADELBACH Goethe Universität, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
9.30 – 9.40	Comment Prof. Dr. ANA MARIA GUERRA MARTINS University of Lisbon, Portugal
9.40 – 10.00	The Relationship between the Equality of Union Citizens and the Equality of Member States Prof. Dr. THOMAS GIEGERICH Director, Europa-Institut of Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Germany
10.00 – 10.10	Comment Prof. Dr. GARETH DAVIES Universiteit Amsterdam, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
10.10 – 10.30	Coffee Break
10.20 – 10.50	The Equality of Languages in the EU Prof. Dr. ANNE LISE KJÆR University of Copenhagen, Denmark
10.50 - 11.00	Comment Dr. XABIER ARZOZ SANTISTEBAN Spanish Constitutional Court, Madrid, Spain
11.00 – 12.00	Discussion
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch Restaurant

B.1. The EU as Protector of Equality – General Part of EU Antidiscrimination Law	
13.30 – 13.50	EU Antidiscrimination Law and International Human Rights Law – Does Closer Political Integration Produce Better Antidiscrimination Law? Prof. COLM O’CINNEIDE University College London, United Kingdom
13.50 – 14.00	Comment Prof. mr. JANNEKE GERARDS Utrecht University School of Law – Institute of Constitutional, Administrative Law and Legal Theory, Netherlands
14.00 – 14.20	Has the EU Taken Comprehensive and Coherent Action to Combat Discrimination? Dr. SARA BENEDI LAHUERTA University of Southampton, United Kingdom
14.20 – 14.30	Comment Prof. Dr. MARIE MERCAT-BRUNS Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers, Affiliated Professor at Sciences Po Law School, Paris, France
14.50 – 15.00	The general and specific exceptions to the prohibition of discrimination in the Primary EU Law and in the EU Antidiscrimination Directives Prof. Dr. JUSTYNA MALISZEWSKA-NIENARTOWICZ University of Toruń, Poland
14.50 – 15.00	Comment Dr. SARA IGLESIAS SANCHEZ Law Clerk, Court of Justice of the EU, Luxembourg
14.50 – 15:00	Coffee Break
15.30 – 15.50	Making Antidiscrimination Law Effective: Burden of Proof, Remedies and Sanctions in Discrimination Cases MMag. KATRIN WLADASCH Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Human Rights, Vienna, Austria
15.50 – 16.00	Comment Dr. AMALIE FRESE University of Vienna, Austria
16.00 – 16.20	Positive Action and Its Limits in EU Law Prof. Dr. MARC DE VOS Itinera Institute and University of Gent, Belgium
16.20 – 16.30	Comment ÁLVARO OLIVEIRA Unit Gender Equality, Directorate Equality and Union Citizenship, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium
16.30 – 18.00	Discussion
19.00	Dinner Restaurant

Saturday, 30 March 2019	
From 7.30	Breakfast Restaurant
B.2. Selected Special Issues of Antidiscrimination Law	
09.00 – 09.20	Discrimination on Grounds of Sexual Orientation and Identity Prof. Dr. ANDREAS ZIEGLER University of Lausanne, Switzerland
09.20 – 09.30	Comment Dr. ANNA EINARSDOTTIR University of York, United Kingdom
09.30 – 09.50	Overweight and Obesity as a Ground of Discrimination Prof. Dr. DAGMAR RICHTER University of Heidelberg/Saarland University, Germany
09.50 – 10.00	Comment Prof. Dr. TAMARA HERVEY University of Sheffield, United Kingdom
10.00 – 10.30	Coffee Break
10.30 – 10.50	The Impact of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on EU Antidiscrimination Law Prof. Dr. THERESIA DEGENER Evangelical University Rhineland-Westphalia-Lippe, Bochum, Germany
10.50 – 11.00	Comment Prof. Dr. ANDREA BRODERICK Maastricht University, Netherlands
11.00 – 11.20	Age Discrimination as a Bone of Contention in the EU Prof. Dr. GÖZDE KAYA Dokuz Eylül University İzmir, Turkey
11.20 – 11.30	Comment Prof. Dr. ULRIKE FASBENDER Oxford Brookes University, United Kingdom
11.30 – 12.30	Discussion
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch Restaurant
C. The EU as Promoter of Equality – Inside and Outside Perspective	
13.30 – 13.50	The EU's External Action to Promote Equality in the Wider World Prof. Dr. ANNE THIES University of Reading, United Kingdom
13.50 – 14.05	African Perspective Prof. Dr. ROSAAN KRÜGER Rhodes University, South Africa
14.05 – 14.20	American Perspective Prof. Dr. MATHIAS MÖSCHEL Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

14.20 – 14.35	<p>Asian Perspective Prof. HOLNING S. LAU University of North Carolina, United States of America</p> <p>Prof. KELLEY LOPER University of Hong Kong</p>
14.35 – 15.00	Coffee Break
D. Concluding Panel: Is the EU a Protagonist of Equality?	
15.00 – 16.20	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Prof. Dr. ANDREAS ZIEGLER University of Lausanne, Switzerland</p> <p>Prof. Dr. IVANA JELIC Judge at the European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg, France</p> <p>Prof. Dr. DAGMAR SCHIEK Queen’s University, Belfast, Northern Ireland</p> <p>Moderation: Prof. Dr. THOMAS GIEGERICH Director, Europa-Institut of Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Germany</p>
16.20 – 16.30	<p>Concluding Remarks Prof. Dr. THOMAS GIEGERICH Director, Europa-Institut of Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Germany</p>