



LUND UNIVERSITY  
Faculty of Law

## Asylum at the Frontiers of Europe: Realities and Legal Challenges

Venue: Gamla Biskopshuset, Biskopsgatan 1, Lund, Sweden

### Day 1: Thursday 11 May 2017

09.00 – 09.30 Welcome, Coffee/Sandwiches and Registration

09.30 – 09.35 Opening by Professor Mia Rönnmar (Dean, Faculty of Law, Lund University)

09.35 – 09.40 Introduction to the conference by Dr. Vladislava Stoyanova (Lund University) and Eleni Karageorgiou (Lund University)

09.40 – 10.30 Keynote: Prof. Gregor Noll (Lund University), Prof. Rosemary Byrne (Trinity College, Dublin) and Prof. Jens Vedsted-Hansen (Aarhus University)

10.30 – 10.45 Questions

#### 10.45 – 12.30 **Session 1 The formation of asylum law at national level (I)**

Chair: Dr. Vladislava Stoyanova (Lund University)

Discussant: Dr. Violeta Moreno-Lax (Queen Mary University of London)

10.45 – 11.05 *Seeking Asylum in Greece: the EU Turkey Deal and Beyond*, Efstathios Poularakis (Médecins du Monde-Greece/National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)

11.05 – 11.25 *Detention and the issue of access to a (fair) asylum procedure in Bulgaria*, Dr. Valeria Ilareva (Foundation for Access to Rights, Sofia, Bulgaria)

11.25 – 11.45 *The Cypriot law in relation to the asylum determination procedure and the detention of asylum seekers: progress and gaps*, Margarita Papantoniou (European University of Cyprus)

11.45 – 12.10 Comments by the Discussant

12.10 – 12.30 General discussion

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch

#### 13.30 – 15.30 **Session 2 The formation of asylum at national level (II)**

Chair: Eleni Karageorgiou (Lund University)

Discussant: Prof. Thomas Gammeltoft Hansen (Research Director, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law)

13.30 – 13.50 *EU Asylum Law in Croatia: Playing a Marginal or Central Role?*, Prof. Iris Goldner Lang (University of Zagreb)

13.50 – 14.10 *From reluctance to total denial. Asylum policy in Hungary 2015 -2017*, Prof. Boldizsár Nagy (Eötvös Loránd University/Central European University, Budapest)

14.10 – 14.30 *Asylum in Slovenia: A Contested Concept*, Dr. Neža Kogovšek Šalamon (Director, The Peace Institute, Ljubljana)

14.30 – 15.00 Comments by the Discussant

15.00 – 15.30 General discussion

15.30 – 15.45 Fika (coffee, tea, pastries)

**15.45 – 17.45 Session 3 Lateralizing Asylum: The Role of Europe's neighbouring countries**

Chair: Prof. Rebecca Thorburn Stern (Uppsala University, Sweden)

Discussant: Prof. Rosemary Byrne (Trinity College, Dublin)

15.45 – 16.05 *The interplay between European and Turkish asylum laws and policies; is it good or bad for refugees?*, Dr. Meltem Ineli-Ciger (Süleyman Demirel University, Isparta)

16.05 – 16.25 *Albanian legislation and practice on asylum seekers and undocumented migrants: Challenges to meet human rights standards*, Prof. Luljeta Ikononi (Tirana University)

16.25 – 16.45 *The efficiency of the asylum system in Serbia - the role of different bodies, main problems and challenges*, Prof. Ivana Krstić (University of Belgrade)

16.45 – 17.15 Comments by the Discussant

17.15 - 17.45 General discussion

18.00 Dinner

**Day 2: Friday 12 May 2017**

09.00 – 09.30 Coffee – refreshments

09.30 – 10.00 Keynote: Prof. Elspeth Guild (Queen Mary University of London), *The EU relocation programme and its operation in law and practice*

10.00 -10.15 Questions

**10.15 – 12.00 Session 4 Interplay between National, Regional and Sub-regional Domains**

Chair: Matthew Scott (Lund University)

Discussant: Prof. Elspeth Guild (Queen Mary University of London)

10.15 – 10.35 *Macedonia and the Balkans*, Dr. Joanne van Selm, Washington DC (tbc)

10.35 – 10.55 *The Central Mediterranean Routes to "Protection": Solidarity and Shifting Realities*, Dr. Jean-Pierre Gauci (British Institute of International and Comparative Law)

10.55 – 11.15 *Proportionate or panicky? On recent developments in Swedish asylum law in the light of the 2015 'refugee crisis'*, Prof. Rebecca Thorburn Stern (Uppsala University)

11.15 – 11.35 *The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the national refugee status determination process*, Dr. Anna Bruce (Lund University)

11.35 – 11.55 Comments by the Discussant

11.55 – 12.10 General discussion

12.10 – 13.00 Lunch

**13.00 – 15.00 Session 5 Asylum in a spirit of solidarity?**

Chair: Dr. Niovi Vavoula (Queen Mary University of London)

Discussant: Prof. Gregor Noll (Lund University)

13.00 – 13.20 *Solidarity as Framework Obligation (to Cooperate in Good Faith): A Triple Duty of Conduct, Loyalty and Result*, Dr. Violeta Moreno-Lax (Queen Mary University of London)

13.20 – 13.40 *The Foreseeable Impact of the Exit and Entry Human Right Principle on Responsibility-Sharing in the EU*, Paolo Biondi (Refugee Law Initiative, University of London),

13.40 – 14.00 *States as Gatekeepers in EU Asylum Politics: Explaining the Failure of a Refugee Quota System*, Dr. Natascha Zaun (Oxford University)

14.00 – 14.20 *Putting the CEAS to the 'crisis' test: Solidarity by whom to whom and for what purpose?*, Eleni Karageorgiou (Lund University)

14.20 – 14.40 Comments by the Discussant

14.40 – 15.00 General discussion

15.00 – 15.15 Closing

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