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EUROPEAN AND REGULATORY PROCEDURAL LAW



HAVE THE GREAT PLEASURE  
OF INVITING YOU TO A CONFERENCE ON:

**Civil Justice in the EU – Growing and Teething?**  
Questions regarding implementation, practice and  
the outlook for future policy

Uppsala, Sweden  
October 17-18, 2013

Civil justice in the EU impacts on matters involving inter alia family relationships, consumers, entrepreneurs, employees, small and medium sized businesses and large multinational corporations. It therefore has great power and potential to contribute to the European project. Since 1999 the policy area as part of the political vision of an Area of Freedom Security and Justice has brought with it a wealth of new and ever deepening measures. The implementation of these measures have created benefits as well as challenge that will be explored in this conference in the light of recent case law, reports and research

## Conference Day 1: Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>

8.30            **Registration**

9.00            **Opening of the Conference**  
Prof. Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt, Stockholm University,  
Chairman of the Swedish Network for European Legal Studies

9.15            **Keynote Address – The State of the Civil Justice Union**  
Prof. Burkhard Hess, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

9.45            **Avoiding “Torpedoes” and Forum Shopping**

*Does the jurisdiction framework work in practice?  
What about third country litigants and the EU legal order?  
Has the ECJ:s case law added predictability?*

Chair Docent Marie Linton, Uppsala University

Prof. Gilles Cuniberti, University of Luxembourg  
Prof. Trevor Hartley, London School of Economics  
Prof. Michael Hellner, Stockholm University  
Deputy director Erik Tiberg, The Government Offices of  
Sweden

11.00          **Coffee**

11.30          **Alternative Dispute Resolution**

*Are the new rules for consumer ADR and ODR the right approach?  
Can mandatory mediation ensure access to justice?  
Is further and deeper regulation the way forward?*

Chair Prof. Bengt Lindell, Uppsala University

Prof. Antonina Bakardjieva-Engelbrekt, Stockholm University  
Dr. Jim Davies, University of Northampton  
Dr. Cristina Mariottini, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

12.45          **Lunch**

14.15 **Simplified Procedures and Debt Collection – Much Ado About Nothing?**

*Has an additional small claims mechanism added anything in practice?  
Enforcement and payment orders – Has the removal of exequatur been successful?  
Attachment of bank accounts – First step to harmonization of execution measures?*

Chair Prof. Torbjörn Andersson, Uppsala University

Dr. Mikael Berglund, The Swedish Enforcement Authority  
Dr. Carla Crifò, University of Leicester  
Prof. Xandra Kramer, Erasmus University  
Dr. Cristian Oro, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

15.30 **Coffee**

16.00 **Track 1 – Family Law**

*Choice of law in divorce matters not for all Member States – First step in civil justice fragmentation?  
How will the new Regulation on Succession change the landscape of civil justice?*

Chair Prof. Maarit Jänterä-Jaareborg, Uppsala University

Dr. Björn Laukemann, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg  
Other speakers pending confirmation

**Track 2 - Collective Redress**

*Can it provide additional guarantees for European consumers?  
Is it a necessary step in private enforcement of competition law?  
Observations on the Commission Recommendation*

Chair Dr. Eva Storskrubb, Roschier

Prof. Laura Ervo, Örebro University  
Prof. Michele Carpagano, University of Trento  
Dr. Rebecca Money-Kyrle, University of Oxford  
Dr. Stefaan Voet, Ghent University

17.30 **End of Day 1  
Guided Tour at Museum Gustavianum**

## Conference Day 2: Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

### 9.00      **The Quest for Mutual Recognition**

*Are the current network initiatives and e-justice measures enough?  
Balancing efficiency in civil justice against procedural human rights  
How are the national courts coping with mutual recognition?  
Is complete abolition of exequatur possible?*

Chair Prof. Antonina Bakardjieva-Engelbrekt, Stockholm University

Prof. Torbjörn Andersson, Uppsala University

Docent Marie Linton, Uppsala University

Prof. Marta Requejo-Isidro, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg

Dr. Eva Storskrubb, Roschier

### 10.15      **Future Measures and Challenges**

EU Commission (Representative to be confirmed)

**Legal Counsellor Signe Öhman, The Permanent Representation  
of Sweden**

### 11.30      **End of Day 2 Lunch**

**The conference will be held at Museum Gustavianum**

**Address: Akademigatan 3, Uppsala**

**Room: Auditorium Minus**

The conference is free of charge

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by the 10<sup>th</sup> of October 2013

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