

Report on the activities of the Institute of European Law

2014

Researchers involved in the Institute's activities

During 2014 the following persons have been involved in the Institute's activities.

- Professor Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt
- Professor Ulf Bernitz
- Professor Steven Anderman;
- Associate professor Sideek Seyad Mohamed
- Senior Lecturer Hedvig Bernitz
- Senior Lecturer Claes Granmar
- Guest lecturer Björn Lundquist
- Post doctoral researcher Karolina Zurek (also at SIEPS; now at National Board of Trade)
- Doctoral Candidate Senem Eken
- Doctoral Candidate Jaan Paju
- Doctoral Candidate Helene Andersson
- Doctoral Candidate Lovorka Jonic Kapnias
- Doctoral Candidate Katharina Voss
- Doctoral Candidate Alina Murg Perlmutter

Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt was during the first half of 2014 Visiting Professor at Chicago Kent College of Law.

Alina Murg Perlmutter started as a new doctoral student at the Department from April 2014. She was admitted as a doctoral student already in 2013, but had postponed the start of her appointment due to a traineeship at the European Commission (DG Comp). Her project is in the area of Competition Law. Sideek Seyad Mohammed is from October 2014 taking a sabbatical semester at Oxford University, Institute for European and Comparative Law.

Bjorn Lundquist is from the beginning of 2015 appointed as senior lecturer in EU-law with a specialization in Competition Law.

Institute Advisory Board and Director

The Institute Board consists of the following members:

Petter Asp, Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt, Ulf Bernitz, Elisabeth Eklund, Olivier Liindén, Hedvig Lokrantz Bernitz, Sideek Seyad Mohamed.

Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt has acted as the Institute Director and Chair of the Institute's Board. Lovorka Jonic Kapnias has during the year acted as the Institute's secretary.

Research projects

Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt was recently appointed as the new holder of the Söderberg professorship (2015-2018). She will work on the project "Ensuring the effectiveness of EU law through decentralized enforcement: the role of network governance".

Hedvig Bernitz received together with Prof. Wiweka Warnling Nerep a research grant from the Söderberg foundation for a three-year project "The multi-cultural child in the school: a child law study";

Sideek Seyad Mohamed received a research grant of 5 072 000 Swedish crowns for a long-term research project for studying the effects of the Banking Union on EU's internal market and its potential implications for preventing another financial crisis in Europe.

Doctoral projects

The following doctoral projects are actively pursued by co-workers of the Institute:

- Senem Eken Uyad::Free movement of Capital to and from Third Countries (Supervisor: Sideek Seyad Mohamed).
- Jaan Paju: Mot en harmoniserad socialförsäkringsrätt inom EU? (Supervisor: Ulf Bernitz); project funded by the Swedish Social Insurance Agency.
- Helene Andersson: Konkurrensmyndigheternas utredningsbefogenheter - balans mellan effektivitet och integritet? (Supervisor: Ulf Bernitz); project funded by the Swedish Competition Agency
- Lovorka Jonic Kapnias: EU Enlargement as a Method of Legal Transplantation. The Case of Institutional Twinning (Supervisor: Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt)
- Katharina Voss: A New Approach to Compliance and Deterrence in EU Competition Law (Supervisor: Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt). This is a new project, funded by the Swedish Competition Agency.
- Alina Murg Perlmutter: The Light Judicial Review in Cases Involving Complex Economic and Technical Assessment".

Jaan Paju is in the final stage of his doctoral thesis and is expected to defend during the Spring 2014. Helene Andersson had her midterm seminar.

Seminars and other events

In the period between January and December 2014 the Institute organized a number of seminars and other events, listed below. The seminar series in EU-law is funded by the Cassel foundation.

a. Luncheon seminars

1. Does the EU-lawmaker respect general criminal law principles when it legislates in the area of criminal law and how important is it that it does?

(”Respekteras gemensamma straffrättsprinciper av EU-lagstiftaren när denne lagstiftar inom straffättens område och hur viktigt är det att så görs”)

Speaker: Anna Wetter (Uppsala University)

Commentator: Prof. Petter Asp (Stockholm University)

Date: 2014-02-07, 12.00 - 13.30

Number of participants: 14

2. “Has Regulation 1/2003 Failed?”

Speaker: Prof. Giorgio Monti (European University Institute, Florence)

Date: 2014-03-13, 15.00 - 17.00

Number of participants: 15

3. “Relying on the Charter in a national court: the application, scope and interpretation of the Charter in domestic legal proceedings”

Speaker: Dr Angela Ward, a référendaire at the European Court of Justice

Date: 2014-03-24, 12.00 - 13.30

Number of participants: 34

4. ”EU-förhandlingar i praktiken - passagerarrättigheter för vem och hur?”

Speaker: Johan Schelin (Stockholm University)

Commentator: Jaan Paju (Stockholm University)

Date: 2014-04-28, 12.00 - 13.30

Number of participants: 13

5. Second Research Meeting on Competition Policy: The New Approach to Merger Assessment

Speakers: Sten Nyberg and Martin Mandorf, Economics Department, SU and Stine Osen Bergqvist from the Legal section of KKV

Date: 2014-06-04

6. “The EU Financial Crisis and Its Legal and Constitutional Implications”

Speaker: Prof. Iris Goldner Lang (Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb)

Discussants: Sideek Mohamed Seyad and Karolina Zurek (Stockholm University)

Date: 2014-09-17, 12.00 - 13.30

Number of participants: 21

7. Seminar in EU law with Philippa Watson and Peter Oliver

Speakers: Philippa Watson (Professor of Law at City University, London; Barrister at Essex Court Chambers, London) and Peter Oliver (Visiting Professor, Université Libre de Bruxelles; Barrister, Monckton Chambers)

Discussants: Ola Wiklund (Hansen Advokatbyrå) and Paul Lappalainen (Discrimination Ombudsman)

Date: 2014-12-08, 14.00 - 17.00

The seminar is divided in two sessions:

Session 1. What Fundamental Rights Do Companies Enjoy in European Law?

Session 2. Recent Developments in EU Anti-discrimination Law

b. Doctoral seminars and workshops

During 2014 several doctoral workshops and seminars were conducted where doctoral candidates presented their projects or related research.

1. Doctoral workshop “Surviving the mid-way point of a PhD and driving it to completion”

Speaker: Dr Angela Ward, a référendaire at the European Court of Justice

Date: 2014-03-24, 10.00 - 11.30

Number of participants: 5

2. "Due Process in Competition law Proceedings - a Contradiction in Terms?" (halvtidsseminarium)

Speaker: Helene Andersson (Stockholm University)

Discussants: Rådman Ingeborg Simonsson

Date: 2014-09-30, 17.00 - 18.30

Number of participants: ca 20

3. "EU-rättens påverkan på de nationella sociala trygghetssystemen" (Slutseminarium)

Speaker: Jaan Paju (Stockholm University)

Discussants: Thomas Erhag (University of Gothenburg)

Date: 2014-10-23, 10.00 - 12.00

Number of participants: ca 20

Teaching in EU Law

Apart from the mandatory EU law course, the following elective courses in EU law were given during the 2014:

- a) Spring Term 2014
 - EU Competition Law (Course director: Steven Anderman/Björn Lundqvist)
- b) Fall Term 2014
 - EU Moot Court (Course director: Katharina Voss)
 - EU Internal Market Law (Course director: Claes Granmar)
 - EU External Relations Law (Course director: Claes Granmar)

The courses EU Constitutional Law and EU Banking and Financial Law were suspended due to Sideek Seyad's sabbatical at Oxford University.

As previously announced, the one-year Master Program of EU Law was put on hold during the academic 2014/2015. The Law Department has applied to restart the program (together with two other international master programs in International Arbitration and in European Intellectual Property Law) during the academic 2015/2016. Currently, there is an ongoing process of review of all three master programs at the University level and a decision is expected soon. The program will be renamed into European Economic Law. It will be structured into four parts: 1. Introductory course in Advanced European Economic Law, 2. An elective specialization course (a choice between European Banking and Financing Law, European Competition Law, European Internal Market Law and its Social Dimension); 3. A course on legal methods in theory and practice, including a moot court, and 4. Master thesis.

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