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Date 21.11.2025

Registration: 09:00 – 10:00

Venue: Faculty of Law, University of Tirana

Opening remarks: 10:00- 11:00

Venue: AULA **202**, Faculty of Law, University of Tirana

Moderator: **Prof. Dr.** Kestrin Katro, *Head of Civil Law Department*

Keynote Speakers:

Prof. Dr. Artan Hoxha, *Rector, University of Tirana, Albania*

Prof. Dr. Dorina Hoxha *Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Tirana, Albania*

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COFFEE BREAK: 11:00 – 11:20

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Parallel Sessions: 11:20 – 12:30

Panel Session I: Plenary Session

Aula 202

Moderator: Prof. Asoc. Dr. Ersida Teliti

“Dinamiche di reclutamento dei capi staff dei sindaci italiani: Tra principio tecnocratico e meccanismo fiduciario” **MARCO CILENTO**

“Artificial intelligence and Human Rights in the European Union: Norms, Power, and Ethical Challenges”
HELENA BELCHIOR ROCHA

“EU Strategies for Promoting Open Banking and Open Finance” **ALESSANDRO PALMIERI**

“Building Bridges in the Energy Transition: Legal Insights from Italy and Albania on Renewable Energy Communities” **GIANNA GIARDINI**

“Virtual Avatars, Trademarks and Consumer Protection in the EU” **ZHAKLINË MECANI**

Panel Session II: Civil and Procedural Law

Aula for Doctoral Studies, 2nd Floor.

Moderator: Prof. Asoc. Dr. Artan Spahiu

“Albanian New Law on Arbitration. A Comparative Analysis with International Standards” **ARTAN SPAHIU, KLAUDIA PENGILI**

“The Interpretation and Understanding of Article 185 of the Code of Civil Procedure.” **KLODIANA KRYEZIU, AMANTJA LEVANAJ**

“The principle of ‘*Ne Bis in Dem*’ in European Law and the Boundaries between Criminal and Administrative Responsibility” **BESMIRA ARSHIAJ, ENEA SHEQI**

“Exceeding the Authority in Representation, Legal Challenges and Issues” **SUZANA CENA**

“The Role of the Administrative Court in the Enforcement Phase of Executive Titles Arising from Administrative Disputes.” **KLODIANA KRYEZIU, LEONARD KRYEZIU**

“Civil Liability of Magistrates” **ALBJONA PAPAJANI**

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Panel Session III: Four Freedoms under EU

Aula 106, 1st Floor.

Moderator: PhD Cand. Nadia Guni

“Harmonizing Migration Law in the Western Balkans: Albania ‘S Eu Accession Journey’ ARENCA TRASHANI

“Free Movement of Persons in the Context of European Social Law” BESMIRA BOTUSHA, XHESIDA TRAGAJ, KRESHNIK BUCPAPAJ

“Exploring the Role and Impact of Public-Private Partnerships in Development” ANI HASA

“Recognition of Online Degrees in Albania: A Challenge to Albanian Higher Education Institutions?” KLAJD HETA, KEVIN HETA

“Addressing Structural Inequalities and Intersectional Discrimination through the Justiciability of Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights: A Comparative Doctrinal Analysis within International Human Rights” SAIMIR SHATKU, MARINEL PRENGA

LUNCH BREAK 12:30 – 13:30



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Parallel Sessions 13:30 – 14:45

Panel Session IV: Artificial Intelligence and Digitalization

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Moderator: Dr. Inva Cela

“Challenges in Intellectual Property Law arising from the Use of Artificial Intelligence” **ELENI LIAKAKOU**

“Applying Knowledge Graphs in Legal Decision Processes”, **SUELA VASIL, ARMELA MAXHELAKU**

“Human Rights and AI, the Influence of AI on the Foundations of Human Rights and Human Dignity” **INGRIDA BEHRI MUSTAFA, XHENI GJYSHI**

“AI, Human Rights and the GDPR: Are Current Norms Enough?” **INA SHËNPLAKU**

“Cybercrime and National Security in the European Union, between Legal Norms and Geopolitical Realities” **IRIS BERISHA**

“Surveillance, Freedom and the Digital Self: Data Governance and Procurement Challenges within the Albanian Legal Framework” **LEFTER CIPA**

“Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Human Rights: Normative Challenges, Governance Dilemmas and Prospects for a Rights-Centered Digital Order” **MARINEL PRENGA**

“Large Language Models in Legal Reasoning and Decision-Making” **ARMELA MAXHELAKU, SUELA VASIL**

Panel Session V: Commercial Law

Aula for Doctoral Studies, 2nd Floor.

Moderator: Prof. Asoc. Dr. Armela Kromici

“The Evolution of Corporate Governance in EU Law: Legal Challenges and Prospects for Transposition into Albanian Legislation” **ARMELA KROMICI**

“Harmonization of Albanian Company Law with European Standards. An Overview and Findings from the Process of European Integration” **ARBER GJETA, GLORIA LLESHANAKU, TEA THACI**

“Cybersecurity and the Challenges for Albanian Commercial Law” **INA SARAÇI**

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“Counterfeiting and Commercial Piracy: A Legal Challenge to the Protection of Industrial Property Rights in Albania” **XHESIKA TOTO**

“Factoring as a New Financial and Legal Instrument in Albanian Law” **IRA DEDEJ**

COFFEE BREAK: 14:45 – 15:00

Parallel sessions: 15:00 – 16:30

Panel Session VI: EU, between norms and powers

Aula 202

Moderator: Prof. Asoc. Dr. Entela Nikaj

“From Screening to Chapters: Albania’s EU Accession Negotiations, 2022-2025” **ENTE LA NIKAJ**

“Between Norms and Powers: Parliamentary Democracy in EU After the Lisbon Treaty” **FJORALBA CAKA**

“Towards a Code of Administrative Procedure of the European Union: Doctrinal Developments, Institutional Initiatives, and Codification Perspectives” **MARSIDA MUCA, GRETA DELIALISI**

“Normative Power Europe at a Crossroad: Contradictions, Decline, and Paths to Renewal” **ENDA REKA**

“The Relationship between Law and Power, the Case of the Abolition of the Ministry of Justice of Albania” **JONEL HIBO**

“Geopolitics Shocks and The Future of EU Economic Security: Between Open Markets and Strategic Autonomy” **ALESIA MAKAJ**

Panel Session VII: Albanian Legislation towards EU

Aula for Doctoral Studies, 2nd Floor.

Moderator: PhD Cand. Sara Hoxha, PhD Cand. Lira Spiro

“Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments” **MAKSIM QOKU, LIRA SPIRO, SARA HOXHA**

“A Comparative Overview of the Criminal Offenses of Violating Equality in Public Tendering and Auctions in Several European Countries” **NAIM TOTA, JURA CITOZI**

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“The Unifying Jurisprudence of the Civil Chamber of The Supreme Court on Suretyship: From Accessory Contract to Enforceable Title” **ILIR KORBI, REXHINA CANA**

“Name Infringement and Civil Liability: A Comparative Study between Albanian and European Legal Systems” **ADELA HYSENAJ**

“Economic Policy and Integration” **ENTELE MEMISHAJ, LEMIDA ZOGU**

“Harmonization of ISO Standards with EU Law: The Albanian Case” **ELDA DOCI**

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Date 22.11.2025

Parallel sessions: ONLINE

10:00 – 11:30

Panel Session I

Moderator: Ph. D. Candidate Juliana CICI

“People-Centered Justice and Lessons Learnt: How Supportive Is Technology to Victims of Domestic Violence?” **STEPHANIE LEMKE**

“Approaching the ‘Wellbeing Dimension’ of the Eu’s Digital Education Policies” **JERONIM DOROTIĆ**

“Practice Meets Policy: Insights on Sustainable Fashion in Croatia” **IVANA BRSTILO LOVRIĆ, MARTA ČAGALJ**

“Transforming Environmental Governance at the Subnational Level: Decentralization, Participation, and Partisanship in Murcia’s Coastal Socio-Ecological Systems”, **JOAN ENGUER, A. SOLER**

“Consumer Protection: North Macedonian Legislation in Relation to the European Union Acquis” **FATON SHABANI**

“Geopolitics and Foreign Investment: Albania’s Strategic Position in the Balkans” **SARA ZOTAJ**

“Bytes, Bots, and Brainpower: Bridging Gaps between Innovation, Equity, and Insight in Higher Education” **SHAILJA VASUDEVA, AZRA TAJHIZI**

“The Effectiveness of UN Human Rights Mechanisms at the National Level: The Case of Albania” **JULIANA CICI, ERSIDA TELITI, EMILJANO ALIU**

Panel Session II

Moderator: Prof. Asoc. Dr. Renata Tokrri

“The Europeanization of Environmental Protection in the Italian Constitution” **RENATA TOKRRI**

“Legal Means against Domestic Violence in Romania” **ANDREEA ELENA MATIC**

“Sustainability and Digital Rights of Groups: New Approaches to Social Services” **HELENA BELCHIOR ROCHA, SERDAR YENER, FILIZ ER, ERSIDA TELITI**

“Laws And Rights in Sports” **VULLNET MANUSHI**

“The EU’s Shifting Approach to Foreign Direct Investment Screening: From Reluctance Rooted in Market Freedoms to Building a European Cooperation Mechanism” **KATARZYNA STRADOMSKA**

“The Right to Education of Roma and Egyptian Community in Albania” **ERSIDA TELITI, HERJETA DELIAJ, EMILJANO ALIU**



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“Compliance as an Emerging Concept for Commercial Companies in Albania: Definitions, Types, and Key Characteristics” **ELENA FILIP**

“Workers’ Data Protection in Albania Between European Union Standards and National Legislation”
REZARTA BITRI

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