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FRIDAY, March 5, 2021

SESSION 1: THE EU SOCIAL RIGHTS PILLAR

17:00-18:30 Athens time (EET)

Chair: Christina DELIYANNI-DIMITRAKOU, Em. Professor of Comparative Law, Law School, Jean Monnet Chair EU Social Rights Protection and Comparative Legal Cultures, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Director of the Centre of International and European Economic Law (CIEEL), Thessaloniki, Greece

European Social Charter and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU

Georgios THEODOSIS, Assistant Professor of Labour Law, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece, and Member of European Committee Social Rights, Council of Europe

The Governance of the European Pillar of Social Rights

Ioannis PAPADOPOULOS, Associate Professor, Department of International and European Studies, Director of the Center for Research on Democracy and Law, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece

The interaction between the EU budget and the EU Social Pillar

Dimitrios SKIADAS, Professor, Department of International and European Studies, Jean Monnet Chair on EU Fiscal Governance and Auditing, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece

Discussion

SESSION 2: POVERTY AND SOCIAL EXCLUSION IN THE EU and GREECE

18:45-20:30 Athens time (EET)

Chair: Despoina ANAGNOSTOPOULOU, Associate Professor, Academic Coordinator of the Jean Monnet Project EU Vadis, Department of International and European Studies, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece

Challenges for EU Policy against social exclusion and poverty. How successful was the EU2020 Strategy? Gabriel AMITSIS, Professor of Social Security Law, University of West Attica, Athens, Greece

Minimum Guaranteed Income, for whom? Poor, asylum seekers, refugees

Kostas CHRYSOGONOS, Professor of Constitutional Law, Law School, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece, and Stella CHRISTOFORIDOU, Post-doc Researcher, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

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Dr. Sofia ADAM, Adjunct lecturer at the Department of Social Policy, Democritus University of Thrace, Adjunct Lecturer at the Master Program on Social Solidarity Economy, Hellenic Open University, Greece

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SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2021

SESSION 3: EMPOWERING VULNERABLE GROUPS: ROMA AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 16:00-17:20 Athens time (EET)

Chair: Kalliopi CHAINOGLOU, Assistant Professor, Department of International and European Studies, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece

Overcoming the social exclusion of the Roma people

Dr. Tina MAGAZZINI, Research Associate, Global Governance Programme, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute, Italy

Challenges for EU Policy for Roma integration

Nuno FERREIRA, Professor of Law, University of Sussex, Brighton, United Kingdom

Accessibility and Inclusion in EU Disability Policy

Delia FERRI, Professor of Law, Maynooth University, Ireland

Discussion

SESSION 4: EQUALITY AND POSITIVE DISCRIMINATION

17:30-19:00 Athens time (EET)

Chair: Lina PAPADOPOULOU, Associate Professor of Constitutional Law, Law School, Jean Monnet Chair for European Constitutional Law and Culture, Academic Coordinator of the AUTh Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence on "European Constitutionalism and Religion(s)", Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

Deep equality and religious diversity

Lori G. BEAMAN, Professor, Canada Research Chair in Religious Diversity and Social Change, Ottawa University, Canada

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Philippa WATSON, Barrister, Essex Court Chambers, London Professor of Law, City Law School, Visiting Professor Queen Mary, University of London, United Kingdom

The circle of equality in Greece

Kalliopi LYKOVARDI, Deputy Ombudsman for Equal Treatment, Athens, Greece

Procedural safeguarding of gender equality through burden of proof in EU law. The contribution of Directive 2019/1158 in light of ECJ case law

Dr. Elina ASIMAKOPOULOU, Lawyer, Post Doc Researcher of International Procedural Law, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

Discussion

SESSION 5: THE ROLE OF THE COURTS IN INTERPRETING SOCIAL RIGHTS 19:15-20:30 Athens time (EET)

Chair: Virginia TZORTZI, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law Democritus University of Thrace, Secretary of the Centre of International and European Economic Law (CIEEL), Thessaloniki, Greece

Can courts safeguard Europe's social acquis? Evidence from national and supranational jurisprudence Dr. Anastasia POULOU, Mst (Oxford), Judge at the Administrative Court of First Instance, Athens, Greece, f. Senior Research Fellow, Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy, Munich, Germany

The Lochnerian trend in the core collective labour law jurisprudence of the CJEU Dr. Fotis VERGIS, Lecturer in Law, Law School, University of Manchester, United Kingdom

The right of the employee to access the internet before the European Court of Human Rights

Dr. Dimitrios KOUKIADIS, LL.M., Lecturer of Law, University of Nicosia, Cyprus, Adjunct Professor of Law,
Goethe University Frankfurt/Main, Germany

Discussion