The Crisis of the Rule of Law
5-6 February 2018
European Legal Studies Institute
Osnabrück University

Monday, 5 February 2018

11:00 – 11:30: Get together and coffee

11:30 – 11:50: Welcome word, organisers and honorary guests

11:50 – 12:25: Introduction to the situation in Poland: PD Dr. Peter Oliver Loew, Deputy Director for Scientific Matters, Deutsches Polen-Institut, Darmstadt

12:25 – 12:50: Introduction to the situation in Hungary: Prof. Attila Bado, University of Szeged

12:50 – 13:30: Discussion

13:30 – 15:00: Lunch

15:00 – 16:30: Panel I: Constitutional courts: the dilemma of law and politics
Chair: Prof. Thomas Groß, Dean of the Law Faculty, Osnabrück University

- Prof. Andrzej Rzepliński, former President of the Polish Constitutional Court
- Prof. Andreas Voßkuhle, President of the Federal Constitutional Court of Germany
- Prof. Constance Grewe, former Member of the Constitutional Court of Bosnia Herzegovina

16:30 – 16:45: Coffee break
16:45 – 18:15: Panel II: Judges of general jurisdiction courts: the limits of independence, democratic accountability and legitimisation

Chair: Prof. Shimon Shetreet, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

- András Baka, former President of the Hungarian Supreme Court
- Prof. Emmanuel Cartier, University of Lille II
- Raffaele Sabato, Judge of the Italian Supreme Court

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9:30 – 11:00: Panel III: Legitimisation based on constitution and legitimisation through revolution

Chair: Prof. Ninon Colneric, former Judge of the Court of Justice of the European Union

- Prof. Wojciech Sadurski, University of Sydney
- Dr. Pal Sonnevend, Eötvös Loránd University Budapest
- Andras Sajo, Judge of the European Court of Human Rights

11:00 – 11:15: Coffee break

11:15 – 12:45: Panel IV: Post-revolutionary Europe?

Chair: Prof. Andrea Lenschow, Director of the Jean Monnet Centre, Osnabrück University

- Prof. Marek Safjan, Judge of the Court of Justice of the European Union
- Prof. Christoph Grabenwarter, Vice-President of the Venice Commission
- Pavel Rychetský, President of the Czech Constitutional Court

12:45 – 13:30: Concluding speech: PD Dr. Mattias Wendel, Freie Universität, Berlin

13:30 – 15:00: Lunch