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SOCIAL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL POLICY

IN PURSUIT OF A NEW EUROPEAN SOCIAL PARADIGM

20 - 21 September 2013  
Venue: Villa Antonio, Nazorova 2, Opatija
Friday, 20 September 2013

9:00-9:30 Welcome greetings

9:30-10:15 Keynote speaker: Prof. Dr. Ulrich Becker, Director of the Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy, Munich
The Development and Future of European Social Law

10:15-10:35 Prof. Dr. Marija Kaštelan Mrak, Faculty of Economy, University of Rijeka
Perspectives on the Economic Viability of the Social State

10:35-10:55 Stefan Stegner, Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy Munich
From Bilateral Social Security Agreements to Coordination Rules

10:55-11:15 Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Reinhard, Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy Munich
European Trends in Old Age Security

11:15-11:35 Coffee Break

11:35-11:55 Prof. Dr. Nada Bodiroga-Vukobrat / Dr. A. Poščić /A. Martinović, Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka
Reasons behind the Increasingly Economic and Decreasingly Social Nature of the ECJ Decisions in the Last Decade

11:55-12:15 Prof. Dr. Bernd Baron von Maydell, Bonn
Social Rights in Transition Countries and the Practice of Old EU Member States

12:15-13:15 Lunch

13:15-13:35 Dr. Sandra Laleta, Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka
The Transition from the World of Employment to the World of Unemployment – A Comparative Analysis of Social Benefits

13:35-13:55 Prof. Dr. Gerald G. Sander, Steffen Karcher, Hochschule für öffentliche Verwaltung und Finanzen Ludwigsburg
The Conflict between Fundamental Market Freedoms and Social Rights: The Case of German Tariftreuegesetze
13:55-14:15 Prof. Dr. Vesna Crnić-Grotić, Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka
*International Covenant on Social, Economic and Cultural Rights – A Source of Inspiration or Obligation for EU Member States?*

14:15- 14:35 Prof. Dr. Gian Antonio Benacchio, University of Trento
*European Union: “bella senz’anima”*

14:35–14:55 Prof. Dr. Mira Dimitrić, Faculty of Economy, University of Rijeka
*Personal Bankruptcy in context of social security*

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**Saturday, 21 September 2013**

**Social Rights and National System of Social Security**

9:00-9:20 Prof. Dr. Barbara Novak, Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana,
*Decision Making in Dead End in Slovenia*

9:20 – 9:40 Prof. Dr. Nataša Žunić Kovačević, Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka,
*Tax Reform and Social Security System*

9:40-10:00 Milan Tomes, University of Pilsen
*The Position of Social Rights in the Czech Constitution/Charter of Fundamental Rights*

10:00-10:20 Dr. Mario Jelušić, Judge, Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia
*Social Rights in the Constitutional Order of the Republic of Croatia*

10:20-10:40 Prof. Dr. Sanja Barić /M. Miloš, Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka
*Social Rights in the Republic of Croatia: Scattered to the Four Winds of Regulation*

10:40-11:00 Prof. Dr. Mario Vinković, Faculty of Law, University of Osijek
*Discrimination in Employment Matters in Croatia - At the Crossroads of Legal Provisions, Implementation and Court Interpretation*

11:00-11:20 Doc. Dr. Anita Blagojević, Faculty of Law, University of Osijek
*Social Rights in Economic Crisis – the Role of Local Self-Government*

11:20-11:40 Prof. Dr. Hana Horak, Faculty of Economy, University of Zagreb
*Cross-border Companies’ Activities and Workers’ Social Rights*

Discussion