

Old and new threats to freedom of expression Can the European Court of Human Rights meet the challenges?

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Workshop Programme

DAY I

10 June 2021:

9:00 - 9:10 am CEST: Welcome by the Organisers

Başak Çalı, Hertie School, Centre for Fundamental Rights, Berlin

Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou, University of Liverpool and ECHR Law Review

Vassilis Tzevelekos, University of Liverpool and ECHR Law Review

9:10 - 10:40 am CEST: Panel 1: Freedom of expression in the public sphere

John Morijn, University of Groningen and Commissioner, Netherlands Institute for Human Rights, 'Populist speech, populist speech restriction and the Strasbourg Court'

Joseph Finnerty, Ghent University and the University of Glasgow, 'Academic freedom: lessons from Strasbourg'

Tarlach McGonagle, University of Leiden and Amsterdam, 'States' positive obligation to enable public debate: The political power of an idea whose time may (not) come'

10:40 - 11:00 am CEST: Break

11:00 - 12:30 pm CEST: Panel 2: Limits to free expression

Chair: Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou

Ilya Sobol, University of Geneva, Law Faculty, 'Glorification of terrorist violence and the European Court of Human Rights: Are there limits to criminalisation?'

Aleksandra Gliszczynska-Grabias and Grażyna Baranowska, Poznań Human Rights Center, Institute of Law Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences, 'Acts of artistic expression as an insult to national symbols'

Maja Munivrana Vajda, University of Zagreb, 'When 'right to offend, shock or disturb' and religious feelings collide – exploring the limits of free speech'

DAY 2

11 June 2021:

9:30 - 10:30 am CEST: Panel 3: Online expression (I)

Chair: Vassilis Tzevelekos

Mando Rachovitsa, University of Groningen, 'The right to be forgotten as a global censorship mechanism?'

Artūrs Kučs, University of Latvia 'Freedom of expression and positive obligations of the state in the social media'

10:30 - 10:45 am CEST: Break

10:45 - 11:45 am CEST: Panel 4 Online expression (II)

Chair: Cathryn Costello (TBC)

Paolo Cavaliere, University of Edinburgh Law School, 'The truth in fake news: How disinformation laws are reframing the value of truth and accuracy in news media and beyond'

Alessio Sardo, Heidelberg University, 'Hate speech in the age of social networks: Semantic meaning, presuppositions, and implicatures'

11:45 - 12:00 pm CEST: Closing