THE RULE OF LAW IN EUROPE - VISION AND CHALLENGES

Thursday, 15 April 2021

Seminar Room (Human Rights Building, Strasbourg) and KUDO
Interpretation into English and French

09.15 a.m. - 09.30 a.m. – Welcome and opening remarks
Chair: Anja Seibert-Fohr, Judge elected in respect of Germany
Robert Spano, President of the European Court of Human Rights
Christine Lambrechtr, Federal Minister of Justice and Consumer Protection

09.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. – Panel I: The Rule of Law and the Health Crises
Chair: Raffaele Sabato, Judge elected in respect of Italy
Stéphanie Dagron, Professor of Law, University of Geneva:
Rule of Law and Health Crisis of Yesterday and Today: What Role for the ECtHR?

Patricia Popelier, Professor of Law, University of Antwerp:
The Role of Courts in Times of Crisis: A Matter of Trust, Legitimacy and Expertise

Commentators:
Paul Lemmens, Section President, Judge elected in respect of Belgium
Armen Harutyunyan, Judge elected in respect of Armenia
Alena Poláčková, Judge elected in respect of the Slovak Republic
Ana Maria Guerra Martins, Judge elected in respect of Portugal
11.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. – Panel II: The Rule of Law and Judicial Independence
Chair: Anja Seibert-Fohr, Judge elected in respect of Germany

Kateřina Šimáčková, Judge of the Czech Constitutional Court:
*Dissenting Opinions in Constitutional Courts: A Means of Protecting Judicial Independence and Legitimising Decisions*

Hans Petter Graver, Professor of Law, University of Oslo:
*Can International Institutions deal with National Dismantling of the Rule of Law? Some Thoughts based on the Recent EUCJ Judgement in Case C 824/18*

Commentators:
Iulia Antoanella Motoc, Judge elected in respect of Romania
Péter Paczolay, Judge elected in respect of Hungary
Lorraine Schembri Orland, Judge elected in respect of Malta

12.30 p.m. Lunch break

2.15 p.m. -3.45 p.m. – Panel III: The Rule of Law in the Digital Age
Chair: Síofra O’Leary, Section President, Judge elected in respect of Ireland

Andrew Murray, Professor of Law, London School of Economics:
*The Rule of (Human) Law in the Digital Age*

Oreste Pollicino, Professor of Law, Bocconi University:
*Digital Private Powers Exercising Public Functions: How to deal with this Constitutional Paradox in the Digital Age?*

Commentators:
Ganna Yudkivska, Judge elected in respect of Ukraine
Dmitry Dedov, Judge elected in respect of the Russian Federation
Tim Eicke, Judge elected in respect of the United Kingdom
Mattias Guyomar, Judge elected in respect of France

3.45 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. Closure of the meeting