



Facoltà di Giurisprudenza – School of International Studies Università di Trento

The Rule of Law in the EU and the Consequences of its Violations

Congress

Trento, **7 febbraio 2022** ore 14:30 - **8 febbraio 2022** ore 18:00
via Tommaso Gar 14, Palazzo Paolo Prodi - Room 006

Congress organized in order to reflect on the causes, the nature and the consequences of these threats to the rule of law in Europe.

Europe, in recent years, has experienced raising attacks and threats to the principle and practice of the 'rule of law' from various political actors, including some member States' governments and populist parties. These threats to the rule of law have important and dangerous implications for the entire European system. In fact, the attacks have serious consequences not only for the legal order of member States' countries and the EU, but also, more broadly, for the working of civil and political society.

In order to reflect on the causes, the nature and the consequences of these threats to the rule of law in Europe, the School of International Studies of the University of Trento organizes a workshop. The aim of this international and interdisciplinary workshop is to investigate the impact of threats to the rule of law on the quality of European democracy, focusing also on judicial systems and the legal protection of potentially dissenting actors, such as the media,

NGOs, professional bodies (e.g. scientific associations) and social movement organizations, and more generally on the protection of fundamental rights.

Monday 7 February - 14.30-18.00

Institutional greetings: Stefano Schiavo – SIS

For a citizen-centric Rule of Law agenda: how do we bring the Rule of Law to life?

Keynote: Kalypto Nicolaidis - EUI, Florence

Panel 1 - Democracy, Rule of Law and the EU

Discussant: Manuela Caiani - SNS, Florence, Pisa

John Erik Fossum - Arena, Oslo

Emanuele Massetti -SIS

Carlo Ruzza and Carlo Berti – SIS

Hans-Joerg Trenz - SNS, Florence, Pisa

Tuesday 8 February – 9.00-18.00

Panel 2 - Protection of Fundamental Rights, Civil Society, and the Rule of Law

Discussant: Elsa Tsioumani -SIS

Luisa Antonioli -SIS

Matteo Borzaga -SIS

Sondra Faccio – SIS

Panel 3 - Rule of Law in the EU and its Challenges

Discussant: Alessandra Russo – SIS

Umberto Tulli -SIS

Jens Woelk – SIS

Antonino Alì – SIS

Manuel Anselmi - University of Bergamo

Paul Blokker - University of Bologna

Lunch break

Panel 4 - Political Communication, Populism and the Rule of Law

Discussant: Ivan Tranfić - SNS, Florence, Pisa

Luigi Bonatti -SIS

Flaminia Saccà and Luca Massidda - University of Tuscia

Stefano Benati and Carlo Ruzza – SIS

Milena Meo and Valentina Raffa - University of Messina

Final Roundtable

Luisa Antonioli, John Erik Fossum, Andrea Fracasso, Louisa Parks, Carlo Ruzza, Ivan Tranfić, Hans-Joerg Trenz

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