Centre for Criminal Justice,  
School of Law  
University of Limerick  

Conference 21st and 22nd May 2015

On the Road towards a EU criminal justice system: problems, achievements and prospects.

EU Criminal Justice is a rapidly developing field. The adoption of the Lisbon Treaty has resulted in a proliferation of EU criminal justice measures, some of which are nearing deadlines for implementation into the national law of Member States, while others have some way to go.

There is an increasing imperative for scholars and practitioners to familiarize themselves with this complex area of law. This conference will address key developments to date.

Speakers:

- Prof Sylvia Allegrezza, University of Luxembourg;
- Prof Estella Baker, Leicester De Montfort Law School;
- Jodie Blackstock, Director of Criminal and EU Justice Policy, JUSTICE;
- Prof Michele Caianrello, University of Bologna;
- The Hon. Mr Justice John Edwards, Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Limerick;
- Mr Remy Farrell SC;
- Prof Stewart Field, Cardiff University;
- Prof Sabine Gless, University of Basel;
- Prof John Jackson, University of Nottingham;
- Prof Shane Kilcommins, University of Limerick;
- Prof Katalin Ligeti, University of Luxembourg;
- Claire Loftus, Director of Public Prosecutions;
- Prof Valsamis Mitsilegas, Queen Mary University of London;
- Caroline Morgan, Political Analyst with the European Commission’s Representation UK;
- Dr Maria Mousmouti, Centre for European Constitutional Law, University of Athens;
- Prof Richard Myers, University of North Carolina;
- Judge Tom O’Donnell, Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Limerick;
- Dr Michele Panzavolta, University of Leuven;
- Prof Steve Peers, University of Essex;
- Prof Paul Roberts, University of Nottingham;
- Dr Andrea Ryan, University of Limerick;
- Prof John Spencer, Professor Emeritus of Law, University of Cambridge;
- Prof Taru Spronken, Maastricht University;
- Prof John Vervaele, Utrecht University & College of Europe, Bruges;
- Prof Dermot Walsh, University of Kent;
- Prof Helen Xanthaki, IALS, SAS, University of London;

Conference Outline

Day 1

Thursday 21st May

GEMS 0016  
(Graduate Entry Medical School)

1.00 - 2:00

Registration

2:00

Session One

Welcome: Andrea Ryan

EU Criminal Justice and European Procedural Traditions

Chairs intro: John Spencer


Paul Roberts, ‘EU Criminal Law as Cosmopolitan Criminal Jurisprudence’.

Stewart Field, ‘Legal cultures and procedural traditions: thinking about legal diversity in the context of harmonization’.

3:30

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4:00

Session Two

EU Criminal Justice – in search of parameters

Chair tbc

John Vervaele, ‘A criminal justice policy in the EU’

Estella Baker, ‘Competence and the design of criminal law regulation’.


Dermot Walsh, ‘Europol: Engaging Democratic Accountability’.

6:00

End of Day 1

7:30

Speakers dinner

8:30

Speakers dinner
Day 2 Friday 22nd May
GEMS 0016
(Graduate Entry Medical School)

9.15 Address by Minister for Justice Frances Fitzgerald

9.30 Session Three: Defence Rights
Chair: Richard Myers
Taru Spronken, ‘Minor offences and EU procedural safeguards’.
Caroline Morgan, ‘Why the EU needs common minimum defence rights standards’.
Michele Panzavolta, ‘Taking defence rights seriously in the EU’.

10.45 Coffee

11.10 - 11.55 Session Four: Victims Rights
Chair: Shane Kilcommins
Maria Mousmouli ‘The Victims’ Directive and the reality of victims’ rights in the EU’.

11.55 – 1:00 Session Five: European Public Prosecutor; European Investigation Order
Chair: Andrea Ryan
Claire Loftus, ‘The proposal for a European Public Prosecutor: a national prosecutor’s perspective.’
Jodie Blackstock, ‘The promise of fair and proportionate police cooperation under the European Investigation Order’.

1:00 – 2:15 Light Lunch, (Pavilion)

2:15 – 3:30 Session Six: The European Arrest Warrant; the European Supervision Order
Chair: Judge Tom O’Donnell
Mr Justice John Edwards, ‘Mutual recognition and judicial certification procedures in the European Arrest Warrant system - the experience to date’.

Mr Remy Farrell SC, ‘The European Arrest Warrant and the European Supervision Order – a practitioner’s perspective’.

4:00 – 4:30 Session Seven: The Court of Justice of the EU in Criminal Matters
Chair: Helen Xanthaki
Sylvia Allegreza, ‘The Court of Justice of the EU and the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights’.

4:30 – 6:00 Session Eight: Prospects for EU Criminal Justice
Chair: Sabine Gless
Panel: John Spencer, Steve Peers, Michele Caioniello.


Recital: Peter Sebestyen (cello) Adam Scheck (classical guitar/piano)
Irish World Academy Building, Theatre 1

6:00 – 6:10 Coffee

6:15 – 6:45 Recital: Peter Sebestyen (cello) Adam Scheck (classical guitar/piano)

6:45 Wine reception (Pavilion)
Conference dinner (Pavilion)

Post dinner: Full bar facility available (Pavilion)

Traditional Irish music session by performers from Irish World Academy of Music and Dance, University of Limerick, for anyone wishing to attend (Pavilion anteroom).

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Conference Fee: €100
(this includes light lunch on Friday, coffees etc, concert and Wine reception).
Conference dinner: €40

Registration:
to register for the Conference, please complete the attached booking form.

Closing date for registration: 30th April 2015
Places are limited, early booking advisable.

Continuing Professional Development:
The event is certified for 9 CPD Points.

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