

## **Scientific Committee of the Conference**

### **Prof. dr. Anne Weyembergh** (*Université Libre de Bruxelles*)

Anne Weyembergh is Full Professor at the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB, Law Department and Institute for European Studies) and Vice Rector for External Relations and development cooperation – ULB. She is former President of the Institute for European Studies of the ULB (Sept. 2014 - 2019) and Director of the Center of European Law (2019-2020). She founded and co-coordinates the European Criminal Law Academic Network<sup>1</sup> since November 2004. She is Visiting Professor at the College of Europe (Natolin campus).

She is Member of the *Académie Royale des Sciences, des Lettres et des Beaux-Arts de Belgique (Classe des Lettres et des Sciences morales et politiques)*.

She has coordinated numerous research projects and is especially Lead scientist of the GEM-Stones programme (Globalisation, Europe and Multilateralism - Sophistication of the Transnational Order, Networks & European Strategies), Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions (Grant Agreement No 722826) (2016-2020).

### **Prof. dr. Katalin Ligeti** (*University of Luxembourg*)

Katalin Ligeti, Professor of European and International Criminal Law, was appointed Dean of the Faculty of Law, Economics and Finance in September 2017. She also acts as co-leader of the ICT/Criminal Law Research Group within the University of Luxembourg's Research Unit in Law (RUL) and coordinator of the Doctoral Training Unit on Enforcement in Multi-Level Regulatory Systems (DTU REMS). She holds an LL.M. equivalent from the Eötvös Loránd University Budapest (Hungary), an LL.M. from the University of Bristol (UK) and a doctorate in law from the University of Hamburg (Germany).

<sup>1</sup> Read more about European Criminal Law Academic Network on official ECLAN webpage, [interactive] Available at: <http://www.eclan.eu/en>. [Accessed 2021 March 31].

Her research focuses primarily on police and judicial co-operation in criminal matters, EU criminal law, comparative criminal procedure and economic and financial criminal law. Professor Ligeti has published three monographs and over 100 articles and chapters in academic volumes in English, German, French and Hungarian. Her most recent books are „White Collar Crime. A Comparative Perspective“ (with Stanislaw Tosza, Hart, 2018), „Challenges in the Field of Economic and Financial Crime in Europe and the US“ (with Vanessa Franssen, Hart, 2017) and „Chasing Criminal Money“ (with Michele Simonato, Hart, 2017).

External appointments of prof. K. Ligeti include: Special Advisor of Commissioner Věra Jourová, Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality (April 2017 to April 2018), European Commission's Expert Group on Criminal Policy (appointed in 2015), Advisor of national and European legislators and policy makers as well as national and international courts (Prof. Ligeti inter alia provided evidence to the House of Lords). Prof. K. Ligeti plays a leading role in several transnational research networks: Vice President in Charge of Scientific Coordination of the International Association of Penal Law (AIDP); Co-coordinator of the European Criminal Law Academic Network (ECLAN); ECLAN contact point for Hungary; Member of the Board of Directors of the Siracusa International Institute for Criminal Justice and Human Rights; Member of the Board of Directors of the International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation.

Moreover, she is: Founding co-Series Editor of Hart Studies in European Criminal Law; Founding co-Series Editor of *Giustizia penale europea* from Wolters Kluwer – Cedam; Member of the editorial board of the *New Journal of European Criminal Law* (NJECL); Member of the editorial board of the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law's online journal *Eucrim*.

**Prof. dr. Sabine Gless**  
(University of Basel)

Sabine Gless is a Professor of Criminal Law and Criminal Proceedings at the University of Basel, Switzerland. She is doing research and teaching International Criminal Law with a focus on the legal position of the individual

affected by cross-border cooperation. More recently her writing analyzes the impact of digitalization on criminal justice systems and its possible effect on international prosecution. Sabine Gless is the leading investigator of various research projects, among them a project on “Legal challenges posed by Big Data: questions of exploitation and protection” funded by the Swiss National Research Foundation.<sup>2</sup>

Recent publications: Gless, Sabine / Wahl, Thomas, The Handling of Digital Evidence in Germany in: Caianiello, Michele; Camon, Alberto (eds.), *Digital Forensic Evidence, Towards Common European Standards in Antifraud Administrative and Criminal Investigations*, Wolters Kluwer, 2021, 49-86; Gless, Sabine / Macula, Laura, Exclusionary Rules - Is It Time for Change? in: Gless, Sabine / Richter Thomas (eds.), *Do Exclusionary Rules Ensure a Fair Trial? A Comparative Perspective on Evidentiary Rules*, Springer Open 2019, 349-379 (<https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-12520-2>); Gless, Sabine, Transnational Access to Evidence, Witnesses, and Suspects in: Brown, Darryl K. / Iontcheva Turner, Jenia / Weisser, Bettina (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Criminal Process*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2019, 587-608; Gless, Sabine, Predictive Policing – In Defense of ‘True Positives’, in: Bayamlioglu, Emre, Baraliuc, Irina / Janssens, Liisa / Hildebrandt, Mireille (eds.), *BEING PROFILED: COGITAS ERGO SUM. 10 Years of Profiling the European Citizen*, Amsterdam University Press 2018, 76-83; übersetzt in Portugiesisch von Heloisa Estellita, *Revista Direito GV*, V. 16 N. 1 2020<sup>3</sup>; Gless, Sabine, Bird’s-eye view and worm’s-eye view: towards a defendant-based approach in transnational criminal law, *Transnational legal theory* 6 (2015), 1, 117-140

<sup>2</sup> Read more on The legal challenges posed by Big Data: questions of exploitation and protection on Official website of National Research Programme 75 “Big Data” (NRP 75), [interactive] Available at: <http://www.nfp75.ch/en/projects/module-2-societal-and-regulatory-challenges/project-gless> [Accessed 2021 March 31].

<sup>3</sup> Publication available online, [interactive] Available at: [https://ius.unibas.ch/fileadmin/user\\_upload/ius/09\\_Upload\\_Personenprofile/01\\_Professuren/Gless\\_Sabine/Predictive\\_policing\\_in\\_Defense\\_of\\_True\\_Positives.pdf](https://ius.unibas.ch/fileadmin/user_upload/ius/09_Upload_Personenprofile/01_Professuren/Gless_Sabine/Predictive_policing_in_Defense_of_True_Positives.pdf) [Accessed 2021 March 31].

**Prof. dr. Pedro Caeiro**  
(University of Coimbra)

Pedro Caeiro<sup>4</sup> (b. 1967 – Coimbra, Portugal), LL.M (1995), PhD (2008) is an Associate professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra, where he teaches criminal law, European and international criminal law and judicial cooperation in criminal matters. He is also a senior researcher at the research institute of the same University (*Instituto Jurídico* – UCILeR). He has authored and co-authored over ninety titles (monographs, edited books and articles in collective works and journals), most of them on jurisdiction and European and international criminal law (but also on domestic criminal law and criminal procedure).

As a legal expert, he has authored written legal opinions in more than sixty criminal cases and has taken part in twenty international academic research projects. He has worked for the Portuguese Government, authoring and co-authoring draft laws on the enforcement of custodial sentences and on the treatment of young offenders, as well as on the transposition of European and international instruments on money laundering, terrorism and restrictive measures. At the Portuguese Government's request, he has drafted a "model law" on money laundering, corruption and drugs trafficking for the Portuguese-speaking African countries (PALOP) and East Timor. He has also co-authored a draft law on drugs trafficking for the Government of Cape Verde and two draft laws on corruption control for the Government of Angola.

He is a founding member of the European Commission's *Expert Group on Criminal Policy* (since 2012). He is a founding member, contact point for Portugal and member of the management committee of the *European Criminal Law Academic Network* (ECLAN). He is also a member of several other academic and scientific networks and institutions, such as *Instituto Eduardo Correia* (Brasil), the *European Criminal Policy Initiative* (ECPI), *Red Iberoamericana de Investigadores en Política Criminal y Instituciones de la Seguridad* (PolySeg), Criminal Justice Network and Association Internationale de Droit Pénal (Portuguese Group) (AIDP-PT).

He is an associate editor of the series *Brill Research Perspectives in Transnational Crime*, and a member of the editorial board of the *New Journal of Euro-*

<sup>4</sup> Detailed CV of professor available at official Coimbra University webpage, [interactive] Available at: <https://apps.uc.pt/mypage/faculty/pcaeiro/> [Accessed 2021 March 31].

pean Criminal Law (since 2009) and of the Brill European Justice Series (since 2018). He is also a permanent collaborator of *Revista Portuguesa de Ciência Criminal* and *Revista Brasileira de Ciências Criminais*.

**Prof. dr. Robert Kert**  
(Vienna University)

Robert Kert studied law at the University of Vienna. In 2001, he completed his PhD Thesis entitled “The Impact of European Law on the Austrian Food Criminal”, his “habilitation” dealt with the character of a criminal sanction. From 1997 to 2009 he was a research assistant at the Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology at the University of Vienna. From 2010 to 2013 he held a position as Assistant Professor for criminal law and criminal procedure at the University of Vienna. Since 2013 he has been Professor for criminal law and criminal procedure at the Vienna University of Economics and Business, since 2014 he has been Head of the Institute for Austrian and European Economic Criminal Law at this University.

His research focuses on sanctioning law, European criminal law, white collar crime and economic criminal law, fiscal penal law, administrative penal law and diversion. He has participated as an expert in many comparative projects on behalf of the European Commission and other European institutions which dealt with various questions of European criminal law. Between 2011 and 2013 he led the preparatory study for an impact assessment on a new legislative instrument replacing the Council Framework Decision 2004/757/JHA on illicit drug trafficking, between 2014 and 2015 he led a comparative study on minimum sanctions within the EU on behalf of the European Commission. Robert Kert is contact point for Austria in the European Criminal Law Academic Network (ECLAN) and member of the ECLAN Management Committee. He is president of the Austrian Association of European Criminal Law.

**Prof. Valsamis Mitsilegas**  
(Queen Mary University of London)

Valsamis Mitsilegas is Professor of European Criminal Law and Global Security and Deputy Dean for Global Engagement (Europe) at Queen Mary Univer-

sity of London. He has served in a number of senior leadership roles at Queen Mary, including as Head of the Department of Law (2012-2018), as Dean for Research for the Humanities and Social Sciences (January-December 2017) and as Academic Lead for Internationalisation with pan-university responsibilities (2017-2018). He was also the Inaugural Director of the Queen Mary Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences (IHSS) from January to December 2017 and has been the Director of the Queen Mary Criminal Justice Centre since 2011. From 2001 to 2005 he served as legal adviser to the House of Lords European Union Committee. His research interests and expertise lie in the fields of European criminal law; migration, asylum and borders; security and human rights, including the impact of mass surveillance on privacy; and legal responses to transnational crime, including organised crime and money laundering

Professor Mitsilegas has a leading role in the establishment and development of a number of transnational research networks. He is Co-Coordinator of the ECLAN and a member of the Management Board of the International Research Network on Migration and Crime (CINETs). He has participated in a number of research projects involving transnational research co-operation, including the 40-month FP7 interdisciplinary research project on EU Action to Fight Environmental Crime (EFFACE) (2012-2016). He has recently been involved in three Commission-funded projects on the development of various aspects of the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) and is currently member of a research team funded by the ESRC on a research grant on *Anti-Smuggling Policies and their Intersection with Humanitarian Assistance and Social Trust* (2016-2017).

Professor Mitsilegas is involved actively in collaborative projects with civil society and NGOs. He is a member of the Research Advisory Group of the Howard League for Penal Reform and a member of the European Union Sub-Committee of the Immigration Law Practitioners' Association (ILPA). He has been involved in a series of projects with the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) with recent publications including a Report on Access to Electronic Data by Third-Country Law Enforcement Authorities and policy papers on the EU and its Counter-terrorism policies after the attacks in Paris (*The EU and its Counter-Terrorism Policies after the Paris Attacks*) and Barcelona.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>5</sup> Read more about the professor on official Queen Mary University of London webpage, [interactive] Available at: <https://www.qmul.ac.uk/law/people/academic-staff/items/mitsilegas.html> [Accessed 2021 March 31].

**Prof. habil. dr. Gintaras Švedas**  
(*Vilnius University*)

Professor, habilitated doctor Gintaras Švedas has acquired the degree of Doctor of Law in 1993 (Vilnius university) and post-doctoral degree (dr. habil.) in 2009 (Faculty of Law and Administration; University of Lodz (Poland)).

G. Švedas – Head of Criminal Justice Department of Law Faculty of Vilnius university (from 2003), Professor of law at Law Faculty of Vilnius university (from 2009); Vice-Dean for Planning and Sciences of Law Faculty of Vilnius university (from 2006); Member of the Committee of the Criminal Code Supervision under the Ministry of Justice (from 2012); Contact point for Lithuania in the European Criminal Law Academic Network (ECLAN) (from 2006) and Member of Management Committee of ECLAN (from 2018); Member (as foreign expert) of the Committee on Legal Reform in Ukraine (from 2019), etc.

As a national or international expert, he took part in more than 10 international scientific projects. As a short-term senior expert, he participated in the EU projects “Support to the Government of Moldova in the field of anti-corruption, reform of Ministry of Internal Affairs, including police and personal data protection” (2011-2013), “Support to Justice Sector Reforms in Ukraine” (2015-2017) and „Support to Justice Sector Reforms in Ukraine-PRAVO-Justice” (from 2018). He also was involved in preparation of, among others, the Criminal Code, Code of Punishment Enforcement and Code of Criminal Procedure of Lithuania.

G. Švedas was Vice-Minister of Justice of Lithuania (1993-2006), Agent of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania to the European Court of Human Rights (1995-2003), Member of the Management Board of Fundamental Rights Agency (2007-2010), Public Adviser to the Minister of Justice in the fields of criminal law, enforcement of punishments, implementation of the EU law (2012-2016), etc.

The ECLAN PhD seminar provides a friendly environment in which research students can develop contacts with academics and other researchers in the field and gain experience in presenting their research. This year's seminar will therefore represent an opportunity to reflect on the significance of EU Criminal Law in the 21st Century and to discuss the challenges ahead.

Since 2010, ECLAN has organised PhD seminars in different universities across the EU. So far, PhD seminars have taken place at the Université Libre de Bruxelles (2010), the University of Luxembourg (2011), the University of Bayonne (2013), the Queen Mary University (2014), the University of Copenhagen (2015), the University of Vienna (2016), the University of Basel (2017), the University of Luxembourg (2019), and lastly, due to the global pandemic the Seminar was held virtually at the Vilnius University (2021).

