EU ASYLUM LAW TRAINING
5-6 November 2015 – Centre for Judicial Studies (CEJ) – Lisbon, Portugal

PANEL OF SPEAKERS

Ana Celeste CARVALHO (Portugal)
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Ana Celeste Carvalho has over twenty years of experience in the field of Administrative Law, twelve of which as a practicing Judge. From 2011 to 2014, she was an Appellate Judge at the Central South Administrative Court, in Lisbon, as well as a judicial trainer at the Centre for Judicial Studies (CEJ). She is currently a full time lecturer at CEJ and the coordinator of the centre’s Administrative and Tax Jurisdiction department. Ms Carvalho is responsible for the continuous legal training of judges and prosecutors in different fields of Administrative Law, and is the lecturer for the courses of Substantive and Procedural Administrative Law and Civil Liability of Public Authorities for trainee judges.

For the past four years, Ms Carvalho has been a European Commission permanent external expert on Access to Justice. Since 2014, she is the CEJ’s representative to the EJTN Administrative Law Sub-Working Group and the Portuguese National Contact Point for the European Asylum Support Office (EASO).

Ms Carvalho has published extensively in the areas of procedural and substantive Administrative Law, including Environmental Law, Public Procurement, Sports Law, Access to Justice and State Responsibility. She is a frequent lecturer at academic and judicial training institutions, and a trainer at seminars and related conferences.

 Moderator – Thursday, 5 November 2015

Martin KUIJER (The Netherlands)
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Martin Kuijer currently serves as the Head of the human rights unit within the Ministry of Security and Justice of The Netherlands, being responsible for, inter alia, the contribution of the Ministry in cases involving The Netherlands before the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR), as well as for the verification of the compatibility of draft laws with the Convention’s standards. He is also the liaison officer of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the Committee for the Prevention of Torture of the Council of Europe. Prof. Kuijer is involved in the negotiations on the reform of the ECtHR and is the Chair of an intergovernmental working group within the
Council of Europe on guaranteeing the long term future of the Court.

Mr. Kuijer is also a part-time human rights professor at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and deputy justice at the Court of Appeals of Arnhem.

He has been involved in various programmes on legal system reform and human rights training of magistrates in Europe, Africa and America, and served as a leading expert-speaker on human rights for the EJTN Administrative Law SWG trainings on Human Rights and Access to Justice in 2013 and 2014. He is a member of the editorial board of the Netherlands law journal for human rights (NTM) and the Netherlands Yearbook of International Law. He has published several articles on human rights and contributed to over 40 books and law journals. His doctoral thesis was focused on judicial independence and impartiality in light of the requirements of Article 6 ECHR.

Lecture/Workshop:

- The ECHR and Fundamental Rights Protection in Asylum Cases (Thursday, 5 November 2015, 09:30 – 10:30)

Workshop:

- The assessment of asylum accounts relating to a fear of persecution on grounds of sexual orientation or religious belief: a human rights perspective based on ECHR and CJEU case-law (Thursday, 5 November 2015, 12:00 – 13:30)

Andreia Sofia Pinto de OLIVEIRA (Portugal)
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Sofia Pinto Oliveira is a lecturer and Director of the LL.M. in Human Rights of the University of Minho School of Law. She holds a doctorate in law with honours from the New University of Lisbon School of Law (2006), with a thesis entitled “The Right of Asylum under the Portuguese Constitution – Scope of Protection of a Fundamental Right”. Whilst researching for her thesis, Professor Pinto Oliveira spent one year in Germany at the University of Konstanz and at the Max-Planck Institute in Heidelberg.

From 2010 to 2011, Professor Pinto Oliveira was the UNHCR National Consultant in Portugal for the “Further Developing Asylum Quality Project”, co-financed by the European Refugee Fund of the European Commission. Up to 2010, she was also an active member of the Board of Coordination of the Bachelor in Law in East-Timor, in the framework of the Portuguese Universities Foundation.

Workshop/Lecture:

- The CEAS: Overview of EU’s legal framework in asylum matters (Thursday, 5 November 2015, 11:00 – 12:00)
The Dublin Regulations (Friday, 6 November 2015, 09:00 – 10:15)

Wolfgang BARTSCH (Germany)
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Wolfgang Bartsch is the Presiding Judge at the Administrative Court of Braunschweig, Germany, as well as a member of the expert forum advising the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees in Nuremberg and a regular member of the German Delegation in the European Union Network for Asylum Practitioners (EURASIL). He has previously served as a Judge at the Upper Administrative Court of Lüneburg, as well as an Associate Lecturer at the Research Institute for Public Administration and Justice of Braunschweig, and a member of the German delegation at the EU Center for Information, Discussion and Exchange on Asylum (CIREA).

Judge Bartsch has extensive experience as a lecturer and chair at national and international trainings and conferences in the fields of protection of the rule of law and administrative law - in particular, human rights, asylum, and refugee law –, carried out in EU MS as well as in Turkey, Croatia, Israel, Russia, Kosovo, Bosnia, Albania, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Moldova, Ukraine and Serbia. He was also involved in drafting national laws on asylum and foreigners in Turkey and Kosovo.

Workshop/Lecture:

- Workshop: The assessment of asylum accounts relating to a fear of persecution on grounds of sexual orientation or religious belief: a human rights perspective based on ECHR and CJEU case-law (Thursday, 5 November 2015, 12:00 – 13:30)
- County of Origin Information (COI): Legal framework, access and assessment – A practical approach (Thursday, 5 November 2015, 14:30 – 15:45)

Gábor GYULAI (Hungary)
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Gábor Gyulai has been working in the field of asylum since 2000. After working for two years at the UNHCR Representation in Hungary, he joined the Hungarian Helsinki Committee, where he currently works as the coordinator of the refugee programme and as a trainer. His main fields of research and professional interest are statelessness, evidence assessment, country information (COI) and medico-legal evidence in asylum procedures, intercultural sensitisation, gender and asylum, legislative advocacy and human rights/refugee law education.

In recent years, he has trained lawyers, judges, asylum officers, police staff and social workers on these issues in several European and Latin-American countries. He is a member of the “Asylum Systems” policy core group of the European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE) and provides expertise in the on-going global expert consultation process on statelessness under the auspices of the UNHCR. He also collaborates with the Open Society Justice Initiative as consultant on statelessness-related issues and is the Chair of the Steering Committee of...
the European Network on Statelessness (ENS).

**Workshop/Lecture:**

- **The "Credibility" of Asylum Claims: From gut-feelings to a structured assessment in a multidisciplinary framework** (Thursday, 5 November 2015, 16:15 – 17:30)

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<td>She completed her doctoral dissertation on the topic “A side recognition of immigration fundamental rights” and has been cooperating, in the quality of national expert, with the European Commission and the European Parliament on numerous projects; in particular, in the field of migration law and human rights.</td>
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**Workshop/Lecture:**

- **The statement of the procedures for granting asylum, subsidiary protection and residence permit** (Friday, 6 November 2015, 10:45 – 12:00)

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<td>Boštjan Zalar currently serves as Senior High Court Judge of the Administrative Court of the Republic of Slovenia and an ad hoc judge of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) in Strasbourg. He is the Vice-President of the European Chapter of the International Association of Refugee Law Judges (IARLJ)</td>
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<td>Mr Zalar is a Prof Dr at the Faculty of Social Science and a lecturer at the Legal Clinic of the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, as well a the co-chair of the IARLJ Working Group on Country of Origin Information (COI) and Country Guidance. Between 2006 and 2011, Mr Zalar was also the co-chair of the Asylum and Immigration Law Working Group of the Association of European Administrative Judges (AEAJ). As a member of the European Law Institute Project Committee, he was part of the Advisory Committee of the ELI project ‘Statement on Case-Overload at the European Court of Human Rights’.</td>
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- **Moderator** – Friday, 6 November 2015
- **European Chapter of the International Association of Refugee Law Judges (IARLJ-Europe)** (Friday, 6 November 2015, 12:00 – 12:45)