12th Annual Conference on European Tort Law

April 4 to April 6, 2013
Vienna (Austria)

Essential information on court practice and legislation in the area of tort law in 2012 in the following jurisdictions:

Austria - Belgium - Bulgaria - The Czech Republic - Denmark
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Including a Special Session on Tort Law and the Financial Crisis

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This Conference will provide practitioners and academics with the opportunity to learn about the most significant tort law developments in Europe in 2012. Experts from across the continent will present highlights from their contributions to the Yearbook, European Tort Law 2012, which will be published after the Conference. An overview of developments in EU law will also be provided, and a concluding summary will identify and assess the most important emerging trends.

The Conference begins on Thursday evening with an opening lecture by Irmgard Griss, former President of the Austrian Supreme Court, and concludes with a special session on Tort Law and the Financial Crisis on Saturday morning. Throughout the Conference, there will be ample opportunity for discussion and debate, both in the formal proceedings and during the breaks.

Institut für Europäisches Tortrecht und Europäisches Recht des Versicherungs- und Verkehrsrechts (ECLT) and the Institute for European Tort Law (ETL) of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and Karl-Franzens University of Graz. The results of ECLT and ETL research are published in their co-edited series, Tort and Insurance Law (de Gruyter). See further www.eclt.org and www. etl.oeaw.ac.at. ECLT and ETL also provide institutional support for the European Group on Tort Law, whose core project is the drafting of Principles of European Tort Law (see www.eclt.org).

Journal of European Tort Law (JETL)
The peer-reviewed Journal of European Tort Law was launched in 2010 as the first law review to be dedicated to this important and dynamic area of European private law. The Journal is published on behalf of ECLT and ETL by de Gruyter (Boston/ Berlin) and appears three times a year. Papers from the Conference session on Tort Law and the Financial Crisis will be included in a forthcoming special issue. See further www.degruyter.com/jetl.

ECLT Supporting Members
ECLT welcomes applications to become Supporting Members. The minimum annual membership fee is 1,000. Supporting Members receive copies of all ECLT publications, starting from the year they become a member (usually three or four publications per year). Supporting Members are also entitled to a 50% reduction on the fee for the Annual Conference on European Tort Law.

Accommodation in Vienna
A number of rooms for conference participants have been provisionally reserved at the HOTEL REGINA**** (Eu 95 for a single room incl. breakfast; available until March 4, 2013). Please contact the hotel directly and make your own reservation, using the booking reference "ACET 2013". A credit card number will be required to secure the reservation.

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Heurigen Evening
(not included in the Conference fee)
Enjoy Viennese wines and Austrian specialties at this casual get-together of Conference speakers, participants, and the ECLT/ETL team on Friday evening (April 5, 2013). In Vienna, Heuriger is the name for the wine harvested the previous autumn and also for the taverns where it is sold. Most of these inns are located in picturesque wine-growing villages at the edge of the Vienna Woods.

Price per person: Eu 35 (including food and beverages); early booking and payment is much appreciated (preferably together with the Conference registration).

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)
The Conference is accredited for CPD purposes by the Law Society of England and Wales (11 hours credit). It may also be possible to arrange CPD accreditation with other professional organisations. Please indicate in advance (see reverse) if you would like CPD credit for attending this event.

Thursday, April 4, 2013
Austrian Ministry of Justice (Palais Trautson)
Museumstrasse 7, 1070 Vienna
18:00 Welcome Address
18:15 Irmgard Griss: How Judges Think: Judicial Reasoning in Tort Cases from a Comparative Perspective
19:15 Reception

Friday, April 5, 2013
Austrian Supreme Court (Palace of Justice), Festive Hall, Schmerlingplatz 11, 1010 Vienna
09:00 Brief reports on the following jurisdictions:
- Austria - Belgium - Bulgaria - The Czech Republic - Denmark - England & Wales - Estonia - Finland
10:40 Coffee break
11:00 Brief reports on the following jurisdictions:
- France - Germany - Greece - Hungary - Ireland - Italy - Latvia
12:30 Lunch break (light buffet provided)
13:30 Brief reports on the following jurisdictions:
- Lithuania - Malta - The Netherlands - Norway - Poland - Portugal - Romania - Scotland
15:10 Coffee break
15:30 Brief reports on the following jurisdictions:
- Slovak Republic - Sweden - Switzerland - European Union
16:45 K Oliphant: Concluding Summary
17:35 Close
19:30 Heurigen evening

Saturday, April 6, 2013
Austrian Supreme Court (Palace of Justice), Festive Hall, Schmerlingplatz 11, 1010 Vienna
09:00 E Karner: Basic Issues - P Loser: Liability of Banking Institutions - A Scarsio: Liability of Credit Rating Agencies
10:45 Coffee break
11:15 D Nolan: Liability of Supervisory Authorities - J Spier: Financial Crisis: Tort Law is not the Answer
13:00 Close

Chairpersons
M Faure Maastricht (The Netherlands)
BA Koch Innsbruck (Austria)
J Spier The Hague (The Netherlands)

Speakers
C Almanar Arad (Romania)
H Andersson Upsala (Sweden)
E Bagišška Tarun (Poland)
E Bargelli Pisa (Italy)
S Bergensperg Copenhagen (Denmark)
A Bíláns Rigá (Latvia)
G Caruana Demajo Valletta (Malta)
E Dacoron Athens (Greece)
A Dulak Bratislava (Slovakia)
I Durant Louvain (Belgium)
I Griss Vienna (Austria)
S Hakalahti-Wainio Helsinki (Finland)
M Hogg Edinburgh (UK)
J Hrúdak Prague (The Czech Republic)
E Karner Vienna (Austria)
A Keirse Utrecht (The Netherlands)
BA Koch Innsbruck (Austria)
I Kull Tartu (Estonia)
P Lasser St Gallen (Switzerland)
A Menyhért Budapest (Hungary)
O Moretoux Eaton Rouge (US)
J A Morris Cardiff (UK)
D Nolan Oxford (UK)
B Novak Ljubljana (Slovenia)
K Oliphant Vienna (Austria)
A Pereira Coimbra (Portugal)
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A Ruda Girona (Spain)
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