The Principles of European Tort Law
Where are the gaps and how to fill them

Conference in honour of Bénédict Winiger

Friday and Saturday
23 & 24 September 2022
Uni Mail, room MS150

Free admission upon registration until 15 September 2022
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THURSDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER
19.00  Welcome dinner for the speakers and presidents of panels

FRIDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER
09.00  Introduction
Rashid Bahar (Vice-Doyen), Thomas Kadner Graziano

FIRST PANEL, chaired by Christine Chappuis
09.20  The impact of the PETL on national legislation and case law – a survey
Miguel Martin Casals, Girona
09.40  Art. 10:101 PETL: The purposes of tort law considered & reconsidered
Thomas Kadner Graziano, Geneva
10.00  Art. 2:102 PETL: The legally protected interests – adding privacy, personality rights, and what else?
Marta Infantino, Trieste
10.20  Comment by Helmut Koziol (Honorary President EGTL) and discussion
10.50  Coffee break

SECOND PANEL, chaired by Doris Forster
11.10  Art. 4:102 PETL: An objective or subjective standard of fault – does the difference really matter?
Monika Hinteregger, Graz
11.30  Arts 1:101, 4:101 ff PETL: Should wrongfulness be required or is fault enough?
Jonas Knetsch, Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne
11.50  Comment by Ernst Karner, Vienna (EGTL) and discussion
12.30  Lunch break (cafétaria)

THIRD PANEL, chaired by Eugenia Dacoronia, Athens (EGTL)
14.00  Arts 4:201 PETL: Light on grey areas – delimiting the scope of application
of fault-based v. strict liability
Barbara Steininger, Graz
14.20  Arts 5:101 and 5:102 PETL: Strict Liability – the ‘black hole’ and ‘central building site’
Christoph Oertel, Hamburg
14.50  Comment and discussion
15.20  Coffee break
FRIDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER

FOURTH PANEL, chaired by Numa Graa

15.40 Liability for road traffic accidents
Katarzyna Ludwichowska-Redo, Vienna

16.00 Product liability: a relic or the logical next step for PETL?
Piotr Machnikowski, Wroclaw

16.20 Enterprise liability
Corinne Widmer Lüchinger, Basel

16.40 Discussion

17.00 Coffee & tea break

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17.30 Laudatio de la doyenne, Audrey Leuba

17.45 Bénédic  Winiger: Un couteau suisse pour des décisions morales -
A Swiss pocket knife for making moral decisions

18.15 Apéritif

19.00 Dinner

SATURDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER

FIFTH PANEL: GAP FILLING, chaired by Doris Forster

9.00 Adding limitation periods
Jens Kleinschmidt, Trier

9.20 Contractual limitations of liability and their impact on tort claims
Pascal Pichonnaz, Fribourg

9.40 Comment by Jean Sébastien Borghetti, Paris, and discussion

10.30 Coffee break

SIXTH PANEL: FUTURE PERSPECTIVES, chaired by Thomas Kadner Graziano

10.45 A rule on liability for damage to the environment
Alex Geert Castermans, Leiden

11.15 Collective actions – Recent developments
Hannes Meyle, Zurich: ‘Dieselgate’ in Germany
Frederic Krauskopf, Berne: Switzerland, soon a haven for class actions?

12.15 General discussion

12.45 Conclusions and acknowledgements

13.00 Déjeuner d’au revoir et fin de conférence