

19TH JOINT SEMINAR EAL – THE GENEVA ASSOCIATION

PANDEMICS – LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

Seminar Location: Alte Kapelle, Campus of the University of Vienna, Alser Straße 4, Hof 1

See Campus Map; accessible with trams 5, 33, 43, 44; closest Underground stop: Schottentor U2: please note that the U2 is not operating between Karlsplatz and Schottentor at the moment.

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Optional:

8:45 Meet at Hotel Regina (Rooseveltplatz 15, 1090 Vienna) and walk to the seminar location together (walking time: 10-15 minutes)

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9:20 Opening Remarks

First Session

9:30 'Pandemics – Liability and Insurance'
Geraint Howells (National University of Ireland, Galway / Manchester University)
Marcus Pilgerstorfer (City University of Hong Kong)
[Duncan Fairgrieve (BIICL, London)]

10:00 Discussion

10:15 'English Tort Law and the Pandemic – opportunities and limitations'
David Howarth (University of Cambridge)

10:45 Discussion

Coffee Break 11:00-11:30

Second Session

- 11:30 'Covid-19 off-label uses of medicines: the role of civil liability'
Andrea Parziale (Maastricht University)
- 12:00 Discussion
- 12:15 'Pandemic and Environment. Shall we insure biodiversity?'
Francesca Leucci (University of Bologna)
- 12:45 Discussion

Lunch Break 13:00– 14:00

Third Session

- 14:00 'Business Interruption Insurance and Covid-19: Between Embracing Risk and Spreading Loss'
Piotr Tereszkiwicz (Jagiellonian University, Krakow)
- 14:30 Discussion
- 14:45 'Providing Pandemic Business Interruption Coverage with Double Trigger Cat Bonds'
Sandrine Spaeter-Loehrer (University of Strasbourg)
André Schmitt (University of Strasbourg)
- 15:15 Discussion
- 17:30 *Meet at Hotel Regina (Rooseveltplatz 15, 1090 Vienna) for a walking tour "Vienna's Ringstrasse" – the beautiful boulevard is home to some of the city's most famous sights, including the University of Vienna*
- 19:30 *Dinner at the Vienna Rathauskeller (Rathausplatz 1, 1010 Vienna; the restaurant is in the City Hall building on the Ring, entrance at the corner on the right side). Weather permitting, we will be sitting "al fresco" under the arcades of the Vienna City Hall!*

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Fourth Session

- 9:30 'What is the potential of compensation funds for addressing covid-related personal injury?'
Jonas Knetsch (University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne)
Kim Watts (University of Antwerp)
- 10:00 Discussion

10:15 'Considerations on the interaction of compensation schemes and tort law in cases of pandemic disease'
Christian Lahnstein (Formerly MunichRe, Munich)

10:45 Discussion

Coffee Break 11:00 - 11:30

Fifth Session

11:30 'The role of liability insurance in times of a pandemic'
Stefan Perner (Vienna University of Economics and Business)
Attila Fenyves (University of Vienna)

12:00 Discussion

12:15 'Pandemics: insurance and medical malpractice'
Attila Menyhárd (Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest)
Ákos Szalai (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Budapest)

12:45 Discussion

Lunch Break 13:00 - 14:00

Sixth Session

14:00 'The Limits of Insurance as Governance in Insuring Pandemics'
Qihao He (China University of Political Science and Law, Beijing)
Michael Faure (Maastricht University / Erasmus University Rotterdam)
Chengwei Li (China University of Political Science and Law, Beijing)

14:30 Discussion

14:45 'The roles of government and (re)insurers in dealing with pandemics, including the possibilities of public private partnerships between (re)insurers and government'
Özlem Gürses (King's College, London)
Senara Eggleton (King's College, London)

15:15 Discussion

Closing Address 15:30

Farewell Reception (drinks and sandwiches)

16:30 *Afternoon walking tour exploring the lively campus area, which was originally the "Old General Hospital", founded by Habsburg Emperor Joseph II in the spirit of the Enlightenment. The tour includes a visit to the "Narrenturm", a custom-built "madhouse tower" from the late 18th century, which houses the largest collection of anatomical pathology exhibits in the world. (Tours ends around 18:30).*