



## **JEAN-MONNET-SYMPOSIUM: “THE EUROPEAN UNION AS PROTECTOR AND PROMOTER OF EQUALITY”**

<b>Venue</b>	European Academy of Otzenhausen
<b>Hotel</b>	European Academy of Otzenhausen Europahausstraße 35, 66620 Nonnweiler, Germany
<b>Beginning</b>	Thursday, 28 March 2019
<b>End</b>	Saturday , 30 March 2019
<b>Responsibility</b>	Jean Monnet Chair Univ.-Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich LL.M
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## PROGRAMME

Thursday, 28 March 2019	
From 15.00 onwards	<b>Arrival</b> Reception EAO
19.00	<b>Welcome Reception and Dinner</b> Restaurant
Friday, 29 March 2019	
From 7.30	<b>Breakfast</b> Restaurant
From 8.00	<b>Registration</b> Conference Bureau
9.00 – 9.10	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> Prof. Dr. THOMAS GIEGERICH Europa-Institut of Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Germany
A. Equality as a Fundamental Value of the EU	
9.10 – 9.30	<b>Are Equality and Non-Discrimination part of the EU's Constitutional Identity?</b> Prof. Dr. STEFAN KADELBACH Goethe Universität, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
9.30 – 9.40	<b>Comment</b> Prof. Dr. ANA MARIA GUERRA MARTINS University of Lisbon, Portugal
9.40 – 10.00	<b>The Political Dimensions of Equality in the European Union: Equality of Union Citizens and Equality of Member States in a Supranational Representative Democracy</b> Prof. Dr. THOMAS GIEGERICH Europa-Institut of Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Germany
10.00 – 10.10	<b>Comment</b> Prof. Dr. GARETH DAVIES Universiteit Amsterdam, Netherlands
10.10 – 10.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
10.30 – 10.50	<b>The Equality of Languages in the EU</b> Prof. Dr. ANNE LISE KJÆR University of Copenhagen, Denmark
10.50 – 11.00	<b>Comment</b> Dr. XABIER ARZOZ SANTISTEBAN Spanish Constitutional Court, Madrid, Spain
11.00 – 12.00	<b>Discussion</b>
12.00 – 13.30	<b>Lunch</b> Restaurant

## B.1. The EU as Protector of Equality – General Part of EU Antidiscrimination Law

13.30 – 13.50	<p><b>EU Antidiscrimination Law and International Human Rights Law – Does Closer Political Integration Produce Better Antidiscrimination Law?</b>  Prof. COLM O’CINNEIDE  University College London, United Kingdom</p>
13.50 – 14.00	<p><b>Comment</b>  Prof. mr. JANNEKE GERARDS  Utrecht University School of Law – Institute of Constitutional, Administrative Law and Legal Theory, Netherlands</p>
14.00 – 14.20	<p><b>Has the EU Taken Comprehensive and Coherent Action to Combat Discrimination?</b>  Dr. SARA BENEDI LAHUERTA  University of Southampton, United Kingdom</p>
14.20 – 14.30	<p><b>Comment</b>  Prof. Dr. MARIE MERCAT-BRUNS  Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers, Affiliated Professor at Sciences Po Law School, Paris, France</p>
14.30 – 14.50	<p><b>The General and Specific Exceptions to the Prohibition of Discrimination in the Primary EU Law and in the EU Antidiscrimination Directives</b>  Prof. Dr. JUSTYNA MALISZEWSKA-NIENARTOWICZ  Nicolaus Copernicus University, Torun, Poland</p>
14.50 – 15.00	<p><b>Comment</b>  Dr. SARA IGLESIAS SANCHEZ  Court of Justice of the EU, Luxembourg</p>
15.00 – 15.30	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>
15.30 – 15.50	<p><b>Making Antidiscrimination Law Effective: Burden of Proof, Remedies and Sanctions in Discrimination Cases</b>  MMag.a KATRIN WLADASCH  Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Human Rights, Vienna, Austria</p>
15.50 – 16.00	<p><b>Comment</b>  Dr. AMALIE FRESE  University of Vienna, Austria</p>
16.00 – 16.20	<p><b>Positive Action and Its Limits in EU Law</b>  Prof. Dr. MARC DE VOS  Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia</p>
16.20 – 16.30	<p><b>Comment</b>  ÁLVARO OLIVEIRA  Unit Gender Equality, Directorate Equality and Union Citizenship, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium</p>
16.30 – 17.30	<p><b>Discussion</b></p>
18.30	<p><b>Dinner</b>  Restaurant</p>

<b>Saturday, 30 March 2019</b>	
From 7.30	<b>Breakfast</b> Restaurant
<b>B.2. Selected Special Issues of Antidiscrimination Law</b>	
09.00 – 09.20	<b>Discrimination on Grounds of Sexual Orientation and Identity</b> Prof. Dr. ANDREAS ZIEGLER University of Lausanne, Switzerland
09.20 – 09.30	<b>Comment</b> Dr. ANNA EINARSDOTTIR University of York, United Kingdom
09.30 – 09.50	<b>Overweight and Obesity as a Ground of Discrimination</b> Prof. Dr. DAGMAR RICHTER University of Heidelberg/Saarland University, Germany
09.50 – 10.00	<b>Comment</b> Prof. Dr. TAMARA HERVEY University of Sheffield, United Kingdom
10.00 – 10.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
10.30 – 10.50	<b>The Impact of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on EU Antidiscrimination Law</b> Prof. Dr. THERESIA DEGENER Evangelical University Rhineland-Westphalia-Lippe, Bochum, Germany
10.50 – 11.00	<b>Comment</b> Prof. Dr. ANDREA BRODERICK Maastricht University, Netherlands
11.00 – 11.20	<b>Age Discrimination as a Bone of Contention in the EU</b> Prof. Dr. GÖZDE KAYA Dokuz Eylül University İzmir, Turkey
11.20 – 11.30	<b>Comment</b> Prof. Dr. ULRIKE FASBENDER Oxford Brookes University, United Kingdom
11.30 – 12.30	<b>Discussion</b>
12.30 – 13.30	<b>Lunch</b> Restaurant
<b>C. The EU as Promoter of Equality – Inside and Outside Perspective</b>	
13.30 – 13.50	<b>The EU's External Action to Promote Equality in the Wider World</b> Prof. Dr. ANNE THIES University of Reading, United Kingdom
13.50 – 14.05	<b>African Perspective</b> Prof. Dr. ROSAAN KRÜGER Rhodes University, South Africa
14.05 – 14.20	<b>American Perspective</b> Prof. Dr. MATHIAS MÖSCHEL Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

14.20 – 14.35	<p><b>Asian Perspective</b>  Prof. HOLNING S. LAU  University of North Carolina, United States of America</p> <p>Prof. KELLEY LOPER  University of Hong Kong</p>
14.35 – 15.00	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>D. Concluding Panel: Is the EU a Protagonist of Equality?</b>	
15.00 – 16.20	<p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p>Prof. Dr. ANDREAS ZIEGLER  University of Lausanne, Switzerland</p> <p>Prof. Dr. IVANA JELIC  Judge at the European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg,  France</p> <p>Prof. Dr. DAGMAR SCHIEK  Queen’s University, Belfast, Northern Ireland</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b>  Prof. Dr. THOMAS GIEGERICH  Europa-Institut of Saarland University, Saarbrücken,  Germany</p>
16.20 – 16.30	<p><b>Concluding Remarks</b>  Prof. Dr. THOMAS GIEGERICH  Europa-Institut of Saarland University, Saarbrücken,  Germany</p>