

**Doctoral Seminar on Global Multilevel Governance:**

**Constitutionalisation or Plurality?**

*Programme 18-20 March 2013*

*Mondo Hotel, Léon Spilliaertstraat 1, Oostende*

**Monday 18 March**

12.30-13.30 Lunch Buffet

13.30-15.00 Session 1

**Expert Presentation: Rob Van Gestel** (University of Tilburg, EUI),

*Why methods matter in legal research*

Chair: Koen De Feyter

Coffee break

15.30-17.00 Session 2

**Stéphanie De Somer**,

*Reconciling expertise and politics: towards an adapted and balanced form of political supervision of regulatory bodies*

**Hajar Azari**,

*The protection of women victim of rape: opportunities in international and Islamic law*

Chair: Stef Vandeginste

19.30 Seminar Dinner at Restaurant Beluga, Kemmelbergstraat 33, Oostende

**Tuesday 19 March**

9.00-11.30 Session 3

**Expert Presentation**: **Kathleen Cavanaugh** (NUI, Galway),

*The illiberal secular:  Freedom of Religion in the European Public Sphere*

**Nawneet Vibhaw**,

*Securing the right to water for the urban poor in NRC Delhi*

**Patino Alvarez Aida Aracelli**,

*The potential of constitutional courts for democratization in Latin America*

Chair: Wouter Vandenhole

Coffee Break

11.30-13.00 Session 4

**Sofia Ranchordas**,

*Go global, experiment local*

**Stefan Graziadei**,

*Constitutional courts and political debates in complex States*

Chair: Ellen Desmet

13.00-14.00 Lunch buffet

14.00-15.30 Session 5

**Arne Vandenbogaerde**,

*Direct human rights obligations for non-State actors?*

**Kata Dosza**,

*Children's rights, status and chances to a meaningful participation in global climate change policies*

Chair: Patricia Popelier

Coffee Break

16.00-17.30 Session 6

**Tamo Atabong**,

*Multi-Stakeholder Initiatives and Corporate Governance in International Law: The Case of the Kimberley Process and Conflict Diamonds.*

**Gamze Erdem**,

*Children’s rights and international economic actors*

Chair: Koen Lemmens

**Wednesday 20 March**

9.00-11.30 Session 7

**Expert presentation: Michal Bobek** (University of Oxford, College of Europe), *Second-guessing judicial thoughts: empirical research on judicial decision-making*

**Werner Vandenbruwaene**,

*Subsidiarity is a necessary regulative principle that governs the allocation and exercise of competences in theory of multi-level governance*

**Paula Ploscar**,

*The Role and Meaning of Solidarity in EU Law*

Chair: Marta Simoncini

Coffee Break

11.30-13.00 Session 8

**Claire Buggenhoudt**,

*Public interest concerns in international litigation*

**Sarah Verstraelen**,

*The temporal effects of judicial decisions at the ECJ*

Chair: Wouter Vandenhole

13.00-14.00 Farewell Lunch Buffet

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