

PROGRAMME OF THE CONFERENCE

The protection of fundamental rights in the European Union

Tuesday, June 4th, 2024

Venue: HUN-REN Centre for Social Sciences
H-1097 Budapest, Tóth Kálmán street 4.

Languages: French and English (simultaneous translation)

9:00	Arrival of participants
9:15	Welcome words by GARDOS-OROSZ Fruzsina , Deputy to the Director General and Director of the Institute for Legal Studies – Centre for Social Sciences (HUN-REN), Professor of public law – Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE)
9:20	Opening speech by Julie THISSE , First Counsellor, Deputy Head of Mission – Embassy of France in Hungary

Panel discussion n°1 – The Charter of Fundamental Rights, from its conception to present day: challenges and perspectives	
<u>Moderator:</u> GARDOS-OROSZ Fruzsina , Deputy to the Director General and Director of the Institute for Legal Studies – Centre for Social Sciences (HUN-REN), Professor of Public Law – Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE)	
9:30	KRUZSLICZ Péter , Director of the Francophone University Centre (CUF) – University of Szeged
9:45	Sébastien PLATON , Professor of Public Law – University of Bordeaux (<i>online</i>)
10:00	SOMODY Bernadette , Assistant Professor of Public Law – Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE)
10:15	DUDÁS Dóra Virág , Administrative Judge, European legal adviser – Metropolitan Court of Budapest
10:30	Discussion
11:00	Break

Panel discussion n°2 – Developments in the case law of the Court of Justice of the EU on fundamental rights

Moderator: **HORVÁTHY Balázs**, Research fellow and Head of Department – Institute for Legal Studies (HUN-REN), Assistant Professor – University of Győr

11:30	ESZTERI Dániel , Head of Department - National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information (NAIH), Associate Research Fellow - Institute for Legal Studies (HUN-REN)
11:45	Christophe MAUBERNARD , Professor of Public Law – University of Montpellier
12:00	VARNAY Ernő , Research Professor in European law – Institute for Legal Studies (HUN-REN)
12:15	KAZAI Viktor , Post-doctoral Researcher – Institute for European Studies- Université libre de Bruxelles, Senior rule of law expert – Civil Liberties Union for Europe
12:30	Discussion
13:00	Break

Panel discussion n°3 – Constitutional identity and Charter of Fundamental Rights

Moderator: **HUNGLER Sára**, Research Fellow – Institute for Legal Studies (HUN-REN)

14:00	Marie-Elisabeth BAUDOIN , Professor of Public Law, Vice President of the University for International and European Affairs – University of Clermont Auvergne
14:15	TRÓCSÁNYI László , Rector and Professor of Constitutional and European Law - Gáspár Károli University of the Reformed Church
14:30	OSZTOVITS András , Professor of Law, Head of Department of European Law – Gáspár Károli University of the Reformed Church
14:45	CHRONOWSKI Nóra , Professor and Research Fellow in Constitutional Law - Institute for Legal Studies (HUN-REN)
15:00	Discussion
15:30	End of the conference

BIOGRAPHIES OF SPEAKERS



GARDOS-OROSZ Fruzsina

**Director of the Institute for Legal Studies –
HUN-REN Centre for Social Sciences
Professor of Public Law – Eötvös Loránd
University (ELTE)**

Fruzsina GARDOS-OROSZ is Deputy Director General and Director of the Institute for Legal Studies of the Centre for Social Sciences (HUN-REN) of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences since 2017. She is also a professor of public law at Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE).

She holds a master's degree in law from ELTE University in Budapest, and completed an LLM in comparative constitutional law at Central European University (CEU) before finalising a PhD in 2010 on “fundamental rights in private relations” at the University of Győr. Before devoting her career to teaching and research, Fruzsina GARDOS-OROSZ worked as a law clerk to Judge István Kukorelli, then as a civil servant in the General Secretariat of the Hungarian Constitutional Court.

As a researcher at the Institute for Legal Studies since 2007, Fruzsina GARDOS-OROSZ has published numerous scientific and academic books and articles on constitutional law and is a member of the Committee on Legal and Political Sciences of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.



KRUZSLICZ Péter

**Director of the Francophone University
Centre (CUF), Assistant Professor – University
of Szeged**

Péter KRUZSLICZ is director of the Francophone University Centre (CUF) and heads up international relations and francophone training at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences at the University of Szeged. He is also Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law at the University of Szeged and teaches constitutional law, European law and the protection of human rights in Hungarian, French and English.

Trained as a lawyer and fluent in French, he studied at the University of Szeged, the University of Paris Nanterre and the University Jean Moulin Lyon 3, where he obtained a master's degree in European law. He then completed a PhD jointly with the University of Szeged and Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University.

As part of his research work, Péter KRUZSLICZ has published numerous articles on constitutional and European law in French, English and Hungarian and regularly takes part in conferences on these topics. He has also translated many scientific papers from French into Hungarian and vice versa.



Sébastien PLATON

Professor of Public Law – University of Bordeaux

Sébastien PLATON is Professor of Public Law at the University of Bordeaux. After obtaining a PhD and an agrégation in public law, he became a professor at the University of La Rochelle before returning to the University of Bordeaux to join the Centre for European and International Research and Documentation (CRDEI) in 2012.

Over the course of his career, Sébastien Platon has published numerous articles and books on European human rights law and constitutional law. He co-founded the journal JADE in European law, which became JADIE (Journal d'actualité du droit international et européen). He is director of the Master's degree in European law, the Master's degree in European Union law and governance and the university diploma in law, society and religion at the University of Bordeaux.

He took part in the Charterclick! project, which led to the creation of an online platform for victims of fundamental rights violations, their representatives and European national judges to determine whether their accusations fall within the scope of the European Charter of Fundamental Rights. He has also worked with the RECONNECT project, which aims to reconcile Europe with its citizens through democracy and the rule of law. He is currently taking part in the UNDETERRED project on systemic and/or unintentional discrimination.



SOMODY Bernadette

**Assistant Professor in Public Law –Eötvös
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SOMODY Bernadette has taught at the Department of Constitutional Law of Eötvös Loránd University since 2000. Her research focuses on the institutions and mechanisms for the protection of fundamental rights and on the dogmatic issues of fundamental rights.

She obtained her PhD degree in 2009 with a thesis on the role of ombudsman institutions in the protection of rights. Previously, she worked in the civil sector as Director of the Eötvös Károly Institute for Public Policy and gained practical experience in the field of fundamental rights protection as a staff member of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Citizens' Rights and the Commissioner for Education Rights.

She is the principal investigator of the OTKA research project on the concept of fundamental rights legal personality, which was launched at the Department in 2019. Her students regularly participate in academic and scientific student competitions, and her talent management work has been recognised with several university awards.



DUDÁS Dóra Virág

**Administrative Judge, European legal adviser
– Metropolitan Court of Budapest**

DUDÁS Dóra Virág is an administrative judge and European legal adviser within the Hungarian judiciary. She started her career as an administrative judge at the Metropolitan Court of Budapest in 2001. She conducts judicial review of a wide range of administrative decisions, provides consultancy and training in European law (EU law and the European Convention on Human Rights) and coordinates related national jurisprudence.

DUDÁS Dóra Virág has a solid background in European human rights law. After obtaining a master's degree in law at József Attila University of Sciences, she conducted a doctoral thesis titled "The Nature of the Margin of Appreciation Doctrine in the Case-law of the ECtHR, as reflected by cases against Hungary" at Eötvös Lóránd University.

She also worked as a seconded lawyer at the European Court of Human Rights assisting the Hungarian judge and lawyers of the Registry with research, and used to work as an associate professor at Wekerle Business School, where she gave courses in European Law, Public International Law and Business law. In 2021, she published a comprehensive human rights handbook based on ECtHR case-law.



HORVATHY Balász

**Research fellow and Head of Department –
Institute for Legal Studies (HUN-REN),
Assistant professor – University of Győr**

HORVATHY Balász is head of the private law department at the Institute for Legal Studies of the Centre for Social Sciences in Budapest (HUN-REN). Since 2000, he has also been teaching law at the University of Győr as an assistant professor. Alongside these activities, he is a researcher at the Institute of Legal Studies.

He graduated from the Faculty of Law at Eötvös Loránd University in 2000 and completed a doctorate at the same university, which he obtained in 2009. He specialises in European Union law and commercial law, and has written numerous academic articles on related topics, such as the relationship between the Hungarian and the EU legal orders. One of his research projects focuses on a Human Rights Encyclopedia.



ESZTERI Dániel

Head of Department - National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information (NAIH), Associate Research Fellow - Institute for Legal Studies (HUN-REN)

ESZTERI Dániel is a lawyer and personal data protection expert. He obtained a master's degree in law at the University of Pécs in 2011 before conducting a PhD in information and communications technology law. He worked for the cybercrime unit of the Budapest Police Headquarters on cyber and economic crimes until 2014. That same year, he became legal advisor to the Hungarian National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information before becoming deputy head of department in 2018.

At the same time, he is a lecturer at the Institute of Postgraduate Legal Studies at ELTE University in the “LL.M. in Data Protection and Data Security Programme”, and at the Institute of Postgraduate Studies in Public Administration at the National University of Public Service (NKE) in the “European Data Protection Advisor” programme. He also teaches at Károli Gáspár University.

He has been a research fellow at the Institute for Legal Studies of the Centre for Social Science in Budapest (HUN-REN) since November 2023 and carries out his research on data protection issues at the Artificial Intelligence National Laboratory.



Christophe MAUBERNARD

**Professor of Public Law – University of
Montpellier**

Christophe MAUBERNARD is a professor of Public Law at the University of Montpellier. He holds a master's degree in European and international law from the universities of Montpellier and Toulouse, and completed a PhD under the supervision of Frédéric Sudre on “The case-law of the Court of Justice of the European Communities: a contribution to the study of Community judicial power”, obtained in 2001. A specialist in European Union law and fundamental rights, he has published numerous books and articles on the subject, notably on European Union courts and fundamental rights, and the impact of the Charter of Fundamental Rights on the Union's external action.

In addition to his teaching duties, he is also co-director of the master's degree in European Law at the University of Montpellier and director of the European Master's Programme in Human Rights and Democratisation (EMA) at the Global Campus of Human Rights in Venice, in which several universities from EU member states participate.



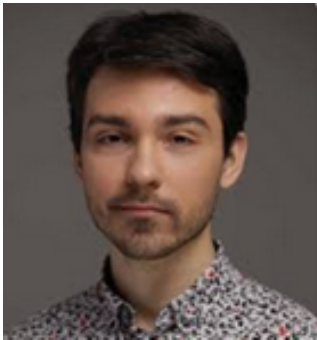
VARNAY Ernő

Research Professor in European Law – Institute for Legal Studies (HUN-REN)

VARNAY Ernő is a member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and has been practising as a professor and researcher in European Union law at the Institute for Legal Studies of Budapest since 2019. He began his teaching career at the University of Szeged, where he taught economic policy and financial law. He was also a lecturer in European Union law as part of the Jean Monnet actions provided for by the European Commission in 1993, and taught at the University of Debrecen from 1997 as an associate professor and then as a professor.

He holds a master's degree in law from the University of Szeged, as well as a degree in economic policy and planning from Corvinus University and a postgraduate diploma in European studies from the University of Nancy II in France. He holds the title of Candidatus Scientarum from the Hungarian Academy of Sciences for his thesis on “Transnational Banks in the World Economy”.

VARNAY Ernő conducts research on the constitutional and institutional law of the European Union, with a particular focus on infringement proceedings against Member States and the preliminary ruling procedure before the Court of Justice of the European Union.



KAZAI Viktor

**Post-doctoral Researcher – Institute for
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KAZAI Viktor is a postdoctoral researcher at the Institute for European Studies of the Université Libre de Bruxelles, where he conducts research in comparative constitutional law. He is also a senior rule of law expert at the non-governmental organisation Civil Liberties Union for Europe.

KAZAI Viktor studied law at Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest, where he completed a doctorate in constitutional law. He also holds a master's degree in law from Paris 2 Panthéon-Assas University, and a LLM in comparative constitutional law from the Central European University (CEU).

He began his career at the law firm Dániel Karsai as a legal adviser. He subsequently gained experience at the Hungarian Helsinki Committee, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and the Court of Justice of the European Union. He also worked as a legal consultant at Milieu Consulting. He is editor of the legal journal *Fundamentum*, *Human Rights Quarterly* and a permanent contributor to *Osservatorio Sulle Fonti's* section on “Sources of Law in the Member States of the European Union”. He is also a regular guest lecturer at the Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest.



HUNGLER Sára

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HUNGLER Sára is a research fellow at the Institute for Legal Studies of the Centre for Social Science of Budapest (HUN-REN). Her research focuses on European human rights law, the EU economic and social constitution, EU law and the national interest.

She studied law at Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest and completed her PhD in law. She also studied at Temple University's Japan Campus and at the Venice School of Human Rights (EIUC). She began her academic career at ELTE University as a lecturer in labour law from 2010 to 2015, then as an assistant professor of Hungarian and European labour law at the same university.

She has also been a member of the public body of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences since 2015 and an elected member of the editorial board of the “Bibó Journal of Law and Political Sciences”, a periodical of the specialist college Bibó István (ELTE).



Marie-Elisabeth BAUDOIN

**Professor of Public Law, Vice President of the
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Marie-Elisabeth BAUDOIN is a professor of public law, vice-president of the University of Clermont Auvergne in charge of international and European strategy and vice-dean of the Law School in charge of international relations. She is also co-director of the master's in international relations.

Marie-Elisabeth BAUDOIN holds a master's degree in Russian language and civilisation from Blaise Pascal University in Clermont-Ferrand and is a graduate of Sciences Po Lyon. She continued her studies at the University of Auvergne, where she obtained a postgraduate diploma in public law, before obtaining a PhD on “Constitutional Justice and the Post-Soviet State” in 2003.

In addition to her academic responsibilities, Marie-Elisabeth BAUDOIN is a member of several scientific committees and regularly takes part in conferences and events, sharing her expertise in European Union law, constitutional law, European human rights law and democratic transition and justice in Eastern Europe. In particular, she is an expert for the Council of Europe.



TRÓCSÁNYI László

Rector and Professor of Constitutional and European Law – Gáspár Károli University of the Reformed Church

TRÓCSÁNYI László is Rector of the Gáspár Károli University of the Reformed Church in Hungary and Professor of Constitutional and European Law. He completed a doctorate in law and political science at the Faculty of Law of Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest and passed the bar exam in 1985.

TRÓCSÁNYI László began his academic career as an associate at the Institute for Legal Studies of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. After setting up his own law firm, he joined the Department of Constitutional Law at the University of Szeged, where he was head of chair from 1994 to 2010. He also held the position of Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Szeged, and in 2000 was awarded the title of Associate Professor. In 2004, he became Director of the Centre for European Studies at the University of Szeged and initiated the creation of the Francophone University Centre (CUF) at the University of Szeged in 2013. He also worked as a visiting professor at Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University, before joining the National University of Public Service (NKE) and then the Gáspár Károli University of the Reformed Church in 2018, where he is now rector.

In addition to his academic duties, TRÓCSÁNYI László has held key positions in the diplomatic, political and judicial spheres. Hungarian Ambassador to Belgium and Luxembourg between 2000 and 2004, he was also a judge at the Hungarian Constitutional Court from 2007 to 2010, Hungarian Ambassador to France from 2010 to 2014, and then Minister of Justice from 2014 to 2019. He is a Member of the European Parliament from 2019 to 2024.



OSZTOVITS András

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OSZTOVITS András is professor of law and head of the European law department at the Gáspár Károli University of the Reformed Church. After obtaining his master's degree in law from Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest, he held the post of lecturer from 2000 to 2009 at the same university while completing a PhD. He also began a judicial career as a clerk and then judicial secretary at the Budaörs Municipal Court, before becoming a judge at the Court of the 2nd and 3rd districts of Budapest between 2005 and 2008. During this period, he also taught at Széchenyi István University. In 2012, he became a judge at the Hungarian Supreme Court (Kúria), a position he currently holds.

Parallel to his judicial career, he pursued his academic and university career as an associate professor and head of the European and International Law Department at the Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church from 2010. Over the course of his career, OSZTOVITS András has published numerous scientific articles and more than ten books in Hungarian and has been invited to take part in numerous conferences in Hungary and abroad.



CHRONOWSKI Nóra

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CHRONOWSKI Nóra is a professor of public law and a senior researcher at the Department of Constitutional and Administrative Law of the Institute for Legal Studies. She is currently working on the decision-making of the Hungarian Constitutional Court between 1990 and 2026, a project funded by the Hungarian National Research, Development and Innovation Fund.

She graduated from the University of Pécs in 1998 with a master's degree in law, and completed a PhD at the same institution, which she obtained in 2004. She was awarded the title of Habilitation at the University of Pécs in 2011, followed by the title of University Professor on appointment by the President of the Republic of Hungary in 2019. In 2023, she became Doctor of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (DSc).

CHRONOWSKI Nóra has taught Hungarian constitutional law, comparative and European constitutional law, business law and human rights at the University of Pécs, Eötvös Loránd University and the National University of Public Service. She joined the Institute for Legal Studies of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences as a senior researcher in 2013 and headed the Department of Constitutional Law at ELTE Law School from 2016 to 2018.