



Conference and Summer Course

Europeanisation of national administrative law through general principles of law: from resistance to voluntary adoption

About the conference and summer course

From 2 to 4 September 2019 a Conference and Summer Course on the Europeanisation of administrative law took place in Leiden.

The conference and summer course were a great success thanks to the many interesting lectures of renowned scholars and judges, such as Professor Takis Tridimas, Professor Sacha Prechal and Professor Herwig Hofmann, as well as the discussions that followed with the participants, originating from ten different EU Member States. The lectures and discussions revealed similarities as well as differences as to the reception of EU law in the Member States, and raised questions for further research on the Europeanisation of administrative law.



Day 1 The conference

On the first day over 70 people attended the conference. Professor **Takis Tridimas**, chair of European Law at Kings College London, gave an introduction on the Europeanisation of Administrative law through general principles of law.

Subsequently lectures were given by:

- **Luis Arroyo Jiménez** and **Gabriel Domenech**, Professors of Administrative Law at the University of Castille – La Mancha and University of Valencia, on the Europeanisation of the principle of legal expectations in Spain;
- **Lamprini Xenou**, Lecturer at Université Paris-Est Créteil (UPEC), on the Europeanisation of the principle of equality and non-discrimination in France;
- **Henrik Wenander**, Professor of Public Law at Lund University, on the Europeanisation of the principle of proportionality in Sweden, Denmark and Finland;
- **Sacha Prechal**, judge at the Court of Justice of the European Union and Professor at Utrecht University, on the Europeanisation of the principle of effective legal protection; and
- **Herwig Hofmann**, Professor of European and Transnational Public Law at the University of Luxembourg, on the Europeanisation of the principle of due care.





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Day 2 and 3 Summer course

On the 2nd and 3rd day, 20 participants consisting of mainly PhD students and a few lawyers from nine different EU member states dove further into the topic by analyzing the extent to which these general principles are Europeanised in their member states. In six workshops they concentrated on six different principles of law.

A social program is essential to the success of a good summer course, so the participants visited the Old Observatory and explored the old historic city of Leiden by boat.

The workshops were led by experts on the discussed principles:

- **Henrik Wenander**, Lund University, and **Filippo Borriello**, University of Naples, on the principles of proportionality and reasonableness;
- **Rogier Kegge**, Leiden University, on the precautionary principle;
- **Jacobine van den Brink**, University of Amsterdam, on the principle of legitimate expectations;
- **Pieter van Cleynenbreugel**, University of Liège, on the principles of impartiality and independence of EU-mandated national supervisory bodies;
- **Annemarie Drahmman**, Leiden University, on the principles of equality, non-discrimination and transparency;
- **Mariolina Eliantonio**, Maastricht University, on the principle of effective judicial protection.



Praise for the summer school

“Very well organized!”

“Good combination with the conference.”

“Good social program!”

“I really appreciated the possibility to have some discussions in smaller groups.”

The conference was organized by Leiden Law School and the Review of European Administrative Law (commonly known as REALaw). The summer course was organised by Leiden Law School. The organizing committee consisted of Willemien den Ouden, Annemarie Drahmman, Clara van Dam and Demy Jongkind (Leiden University).

We warmly thank all speakers and participants for their enthusiastic contribution. We hope to see you again in Leiden!