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## THE INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION OF ADULTS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

*Improving the Operation of the Hague Convention of 13 January 2000  
between Member States*

Seminar in the framework of ELI Project '[The protection of adults in international situations](#)'

Milan, 22 March 2019

10:00–17:30

Catholic University, Largo Gemelli, 1  
'Negri da Oleggio' Room

### AGENDA

10:00 – 10:10 **Welcome Words**

Francesco Bestagno, Director of the Institute of International Studies, Catholic University of Milan

10:10 – 10:20 **Presentation of the Seminar**

Pietro Franzina, University of Ferrara

10:20 – 10:45 **Keynote**

Christiane Wendehorst, President of the European Law Institute

*The European Law Institute and its Causes: Enhancing Benefits for European Citizens*

10:45 – 11:45 **Panel 1: Protecting Adults in Cross-Border Situations: Political and Institutional Challenges**

Chair: Alain Pilette, Deputy Director Justice, DG JAI Justice and Home Affairs – Council of the European Union

Joëlle Bergeron, Member of the European Parliament

Patrizia De Luca, Team Leader for External Relations & International, Civil Justice Unit, Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers, European Commission

Philippe Lortie, First Secretary of the Hague Conference on Private International Law



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11:45 – 13:00 **Panel 2: The Notion of ‘Measure of Protection’ and the Relationship between the Law of Adults’ Protection and Neighbouring Fields of Law: Some Open Issues**

Chair: Adrian Ward, Consultant to the Council of Europe for the Review of Powers of Attorney and Advance Directives

Domenico Damascelli, University of Salento

Katja Karjalainen, University of Helsinki

Claire van Overdijk, Outer Temple Chambers

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch Break**

14:00 – 16:00 **Panel 3: Proposals by the ELI Project’s Expert Group on a Selection of Topics**

Chair: Elena Bargelli, University of Pisa

Pietro Franzina, University of Ferrara (also on behalf of Thalia Kruger)

*Proposals Regarding Jurisdiction, Including Advance Choice of Court by the Adult Concerned*

Renate Schaub, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

*Proposals Regarding the Rules of the Law Applicable to Private Mandates*

Richard Frimston, Russell-Cooke

*The European Certificate of Powers of Representation*

Discussion

16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee Break**

16:30 – 17:15 **Panel 4: The International Protection of Adults: An Insight of Current Practice**

Chair: Roberta Bardelle, Head of the Office for Judicial Cooperation in Civil Matters, Ministry of Justice, Italy

Christelle Hilpert, Head of the Private International Law and Judicial Assistance Unit, Ministry of Justice, France

Haldi Koit, Permanent Representation of Estonia to the EU

Stefan Schlauss, Director, International Civil Law, Federal Office of Justice, Germany

Linda Strazdiņa, Ministry of Justice, Latvia [tbc]

17:15 – 17:30 **Concluding Remarks**

Adrian Ward, Consultant to the Council of Europe for the Review of Powers of Attorney and Advance Directives

**Attendance is free, but those wishing to take part in the seminar are invited to inform Prof. Pietro Franzina ([pietro.franzina@unicatt.it](mailto:pietro.franzina@unicatt.it)) by 10 March 2019**