

Undergraduate Summer Conference - Call for papers

Fresh from Law School: Voices of a New Generation

The Department of Legal Studies of Central European University (CEU) is pleased to announce a call for papers for its **first undergraduate summer conference** which will take place on **August 27-28, 2015** in Budapest (Hungary).

The aim of the conference is to provide a platform for young lawyers to present and discuss their research papers on current topics on international business law, human rights and constitutional law in English, with an international audience at CEU.

We are inviting proposals of papers by undergraduate law students in their last year of studies and by freshly graduated law students (within one year of graduation) from European law schools and law departments. The paper proposals should **focus on one of the topics indicated below** (next page).

Abstracts, no longer than 300 words, should be submitted no later than May 22, 2015 to the following email address:

ugconf2015@ceu.edu

The writers of successful proposals will be notified at the latest by **June 5**, **2015**.

Final papers are due by **August 10, 2015** and should be no longer than 20 double spaced pages long (including footnotes). Papers with a comparative, regional or international dimension are encouraged.

Documented travel expenses will be reimbursed up to a maximum of 300 euro based upon an application, followed by individual needs assessment. Accommodation will be provided for up to three nights at the CEU Residence Center.

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Contemporary challenges in the harmonization of business law

Topics include but are not limited to: crossborder insolvency, securities and quasisecurities, corporate finance, internet law, and such classic issues as DCFR, UNIDROIT and other international and European harmonization efforts.

New horizons of intellectual property law

Topics include but are not limited to: problems in the international standardization of IP law, recent development in copyright, patent OR trademark law (e.g. digital copyright, gene or software patents, boundaries of trademark protection etc.), international IP enforcement, and on IP law, creativity and innovation.

Settlement of commercial disputes in the 21st century

Topics include but are not limited to: crossborder enforcement of judicial decisions and arbitral awards, mediation and arbitration, online alternative dispute resolution (ADR); abuse of ADR.

Criminal justice in the 21st century

Topics include but are not limited to: victims' rights and fair trial guarantees, the limits of fair trial rights in a diverse Europe, European minimum standards and national laws: limits of possibilities, an end to excessively long procedures in sight?

Grappling with diversity in search of equality for all

Topics include but are not limited to: proliferation of protected grounds in anti-discrimination law, intersectionality and its challenges, what comes after challenging direct discrimination?, equality beyond discrimination claims, new developments in anti-discrimination law esp. in race / ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, disability.

Hate and the law

Topics include but are not limited to: hate speech and hate crime rules in light of constitutional and human rights standards; prohibitions of blasphemy, xenophobia and anti-Semitism, display of political or national symbols, and of the propaganda of homosexuality; can/does more speech counteract hate?; institutional safeguards and best practices: are they in place and what difference do they make?

