International Conference

Immigration, Citizenship, and Constitutional Identity:
Germany in a Global Perspective

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The conference seeks to discuss national, regional, and global challenges presented by international migration, as well as legal and ethical dilemmas that have arisen as a result of the current migrant/refugee crisis. Specifically, the conference will: 1) explore whether it is justified to impose immigration restrictions in order to protect constitutional essentials; 2) examine how the EU can increase refugee protection and should govern the refugee/migrant crisis; and 3) address whether the current situation is an “international constitutional moment” for the promotion of a global compact on forced migration.

Thursday, June 9, 2016

8:30 am – 9:00 am | Reception

9:00 am – 10:45 am | Introduction and Keynote Address

Welcome and Introduction

Jürgen Bast, Professor of Law, Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen

Liav Orgad, Marie Curie Fellow, Freie Universität Berlin; Associate Professor of Law, IDC Herzliya

Keynote


World Migration Today: Universal Decisions for Radically Different States

10:45 am – 11:00 am | Coffee Break
11:00 am – 12:30 pm | Panel 1: Germany at the Crossroad: Towards a Nation of Immigrants?

Anuscheh Farahat, Senior Research Fellow, Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg

Progressive Inclusion as the Way Forward: How Legal Empowerment Forms a Society of Immigration

Kay Hailbronner, Professor Emeritus of Law, University of Konstanz

The Impact of the Refugee Movement—Changing Perceptions of Integration and Citizenship

Amnon Rubinstein, University Professor, IDC Herzliya

Unintended Immigration Countries: Germany and Israel at the Crossroads

Chair: Anne Gladitz, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Bielefeld

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm | Lunch Break

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm | Panel 2: Immigration Policy & Constitutional Design: Defining the Basis Structure of a Polity

Elspeth Guild, Jean Monnet Professor, Radboud University Nijmegen; Queen Mary University of London; Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels

Europe, Refugees and Identity in 2016

Barak Medina, Justice Haim Cohn Professor of Human Rights, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Immigration and Citizenship Laws and Intolerant Democracy: A Theory of Reflective Equilibrium
Uwe Volkmann, Professor of Law, Goethe University of Frankfurt

What Does a Constitution Expect from Immigrants?

Chair: Ana M.M. Corrêa, Ph.D. Candidate, Université libre de Bruxelles

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm | Coffee Break

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm | Panel 3: The Refugee/Migrant Crisis: An International Constitutional Moment?

Alberto Achermann, Associate Professor of Law, University of Bern

The Geneva Refugee Convention and the Right of Asylum: The Missing Link

T. Alexander Aleinikoff, Visiting Professor of Law, and Huo Global Policy Initiative Research Fellow, Columbia Global Policy Initiative, Columbia University

Towards a Global Compact on Forced Migration?

Peter Schuck, Baldwin Professor of Law Emeritus, Yale Law School

Refugee Burden-Sharing: Using a Market Process to Increase Refugee Protection

Chair: Michael Riegner, Research Associate, Humboldt University of Berlin

7:30 pm | Dinner
Friday, June 10, 2016

8:30 am – 9:00 am | Reception

9:00 am – 9:15 am | Opening Remarks

_Uriel Reichman_, President and Founder, IDC Herzliya

9:15 am – 11:00 am | Panel 4: Immigration and the Europeanness: Identity Politics in EU Immigration Law

_Keith Groenendijk_, Professor Emeritus of Sociology of Law, Radboud University Nijmegen

*Language Tests: Integration, Selection or Exclusion?*

_Sara Iglesias Sánchez_, Référendaire, European Court of Justice, Luxembourg

*European Residents: the Emergence of a Supranational Alienage Law*

_Christian Joppke_, Professor of Sociology, University of Bern

*Europe without Identity: Demonstrated by its Citizenship*

Chair: _Jelena von Achenbach_, Adjunct Professor of Law, Justus-Liebig-Universität Giessen

11:00 am – 11:15 am | Coffee Break

11:15 am – 12:00 pm | Closing Remarks and Discussion