

# WORKSHOP ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY

## UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

### 12-13-14 DECEMBER 2022

#### Monday 12 December

9.30-10.00

Opening remarks by Professor Aldo Schiavello, coordinator of the PhD programme in *Human Rights: evolution, protection and limits*.

10.00-13.00

**Panel 1: Democracies facing populisms: a multidisciplinary overview.**  
Chair: Veronica Romano

**Vittorio Cama**, University of Trento  
*Criminal Populism: Criminal Law of the enemy, extrema ratio and the principle of resocialisation.*

**Erika Colombo**, University of Milan  
*Populism: another brick in the EU wall.*

**Alberto Di Chiara**, University of Ferrara, LUISS  
*The Voting of Hungarians Abroad: A Case of Voting Suppression in the European Union?*

**Yacine Mousli**, University of Paris 2 – Panthéon Assas/National Democratic Institute, Tunisia (NGO)  
*Tunisia: a case of popular constitutionalism?*

15.00-18.00

**Panel 2: Europe's response to democratic backsliding.**  
Chair: Deniz Tokmak

**Rosalba Famà**, Bocconi University  
*Making EU funds subject to the rule of law: the new conditionality mechanism.*

**Marguerite Arnoux Bellavitis**, University of Palermo and University of Paris-Lodron Salzburg  
*The use of EU funds for migration management purposes: what role for the European Parliament?*

**Kamilla Galicz**, Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa  
*One Step Forward, Two Steps Backward: Western Balkans and the Mirage of EU Accession.*

**Francesco Giacalone**, University of Palermo  
*The role of EU law in asserting the right to be heard by Public Administrations. The case of Italian anti-mafia information.*

#### Tuesday 13 December

9.00-10.00

Introductory lecture by Keynote speaker Christie Edwards, Head of Policy, Programmes and Legal at Geneva Call  
"Addressing Misogynistic Violence as an Early Warning Indicator of Escalating Violence and Armed Conflict."

10.00-13.00

**Panel 3: Freedom of expression and the protection of democracy.**  
Chair: Francesca Sironi De Gregorio

**Francesca Biondaro**, Catholic University of Milan  
*Restoring and preventing hate harms in democratic societies.*

**Marilù Porchia**, University of Ferrara  
*Freedom of expression and gender-based violence: online hate speech as democracy's challenge.*

**Marco Pasqua**, Catholic University of Milan  
*The European Commission Proposal for a Directive on SLAPPs: Some Critical Remarks.*

**Antoine De Spiegeleir**, European University Institute  
*Humor as Attunement: An Interdisciplinary Perspective on Humorous Forms of Expression before the Strasbourg Court.*

15.00-18.00

**Panel 4: New technologies and human rights: which future for democracy?**

Chair: Enrica Cibella

**Jacopo Dirutigliano**, University of Bologna  
*Information selection, freedom to vote and algorithmic transparency.*

**Michalina Marcia**, University of Wrocław  
*Balancing freedom of expression with democratic elections in the age of Artificial Intelligence.*

**Federica Paolucci**, Bocconi University  
*Digital constitutionalism to the test of the smart identity.*

**Francesco Paolo Levantino**, Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa  
*Privacy and the politics of emotion recognition: On emotional surveillance, human rights, and democracy.*

#### Wednesday 14 December

9.00-10.00

Introductory lecture by Keynote speaker Markus Krienke, Full Professor of Modern Philosophy and Social Ethics at the Faculty of Theology of Lugano and Director of the Rosmini Chair  
"Human Rights and the Global Post-Human Challenge: Problems of Foundation and Extension".

10.00-13.00

**Panel 5: Litigating global challenges in a human rights perspective: domestic and international avenues.**

Chair: Martina Sardo

**Yelyzaveta Monastyrova**, The Open University  
*Domestic Human Trafficking: Free to Be Unfree?*

**Katarina Velkov**, University of Padova  
*Addressing Climate Change Induced Displacement: Towards Human Rights-Based Approach.*

**Jia Yifan**, King's College London  
*Can juridical review safeguard the fair implementation of global human rights sanctions?*

**Carlotta Rossato**, University of Padova  
*Universal jurisdiction as a debated tool for international justice: current challenges.*

13.00-13:45

**Case Study Panel**

**Albert Guasch Rafael**, Democracy Reporting International (NGO)  
*Cutting-edge strategies to communicate democracy and human rights.*

Final greetings:

13.45-14.00

**Organizational Committee:**

Marguerite Arnoux Bellavitis, Enrica Cibella, Veronica Romano, Martina Sardo, Francesca Sironi De Gregorio, Deniz Tokmak Gülden

**Scientific Committee:**

Marco Brigaglia, Maria Ferrara, Giulia Sajeve, Matija Žgur

The event will be held in hybrid format:  
on-site (Law Department – Aula Sturzo – Piazza Bologni, 8)  
and online (Microsoft Teams: [here](#))

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