
The “Brussels Seminar” in European Labour Law

- Facing the Challenges of Social Europe -

22 February 2010 – 26 February 2010

Institute for Labour Law



With the cooperation of



**Jean Monnet Chair in
European Labour Law**

And in cooperation with

The Royal Flemish Academy of Belgium for Sciences and Arts



About the seminar

The “Brussels seminar” in European labour law is organized by the **Institute for Labour Law of the University of Leuven** and the **Jean Monnet Chair in European Labour Law** at *Reflect (Tilburg University)*. It is designed for advanced level students, researchers and practitioners with a broad interest in European and comparative labour law and industrial relations. The seminar provides a deep and original insight into current issues of European, comparative and international labour law, social policy and industrial relations, in the heart of Europe. Besides being a great academic and mind-broadening experience, the seminar offers a unique opportunity to learn to know how Brussels looks, thinks and works. It includes visits to the major European institutions dealing with labour law and social policy.

Venue

The venue is the Royal Flemish Academy for Sciences and Arts, close to the EU institutions (directions:

<http://www.kvab.be/praktisch.aspx>

Registration

Registration can be made by completing the registration form and paying the registration fee.

The registration fee for students is 75 Euro. For other participants the fee is 175 Euro. The participation fee includes registration for the five days (covering costs for the meeting room, sandwich lunch and administration).

Participants who have attended the Brussels Seminar in European Labour Law have the possibility to receive a “Certificate of Attendance”.

For more information and registration, please contact Ms. Helen Frenzel at the following email address: h.frenzel@uvt.nl.

Please note that the number of registrations are limited to 40.

Provisional Programme

Monday 22 February 2010

Day Theme: Social Europe and Internal Market Competition

10:00 – 10:15 Introduction

Prof. Dr. Roger Blanpain, Professor of Tilburg University in European labour law, Comparative Social Law

10:15 – 11:15 **Prof. Dr. Michele Colucci**, Professor at the European College in Parma, Italy and Lessius University Antwerp, Belgium : Workers' Fundamental Freedoms, obstacles, and justifications

11:15 – 11:30 *Break*

11:30 – 12:30 **Prof. Dr. Petra Foubert**, Professor of University of Hasselt, Belgium: Maternity leave legislation and equal opportunities

12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30 – 14:30 **Prof. Dr. François Gaudu**, Professor of Université Panthéon Sorbonne Paris I : Labour Law and economy, a new methodology ?

Afternoon visit to EU Parliament

Tuesday 23 February 2010

Day Theme: Europe and its contribution to the social dimension of globalization

10:00 – 11:00 **Prof. Dr. Dorssemont**, Professor of Université Catholique de Louvain: Fundamental workers' rights and the Court of Justice: the ESC the EconvHR and the Court of Justice.

11:00 – 11:15 *Break*

11:15 – 12:30 **Mr. Rudi Delarue, Director, Brussels Office ILO:** The European Union and the ILO.

12:30 – 13:15 *Lunch Break*

13:15 – 14:30 **Prof. Dr. Frank Hendrickx** Transnational company agreements

15:00 visit to the Council of the European Union

Wednesday 24 February 2010

Day Theme: European Social Dialogue

10:00 – 12:00 **Visit to the Commission:** Speakers from the DG Employment

12:00 – 13:30 *Lunch Break* (at the Royal Academy)

13:30 – 14:30

14:30 – 14:45 *Break*

15:00 – 16:00 **Prof. Dr. Achim Seifert**, Professor of Luxemburg University, Global employee information and consultation procedures in worldwide enterprises.

Thursday 25 February 2010

Day Theme: Maintaining Employment in Europe, searching for new concepts

10:00 – 11:30 **Dr. Christian Welz, European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions**

11:30 – 11:45 *Break*

11:45 – 12:45 **Reflect Lecturer**, Tilburg University

12:45 – 13:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30 – 14:30 **Helen Frenzel LLM, Reflect** : Mobility of Temporary Agency Workers in Europe, searching for a suitable concept

15:00 Visit to the ETUI, Speakers, **Stefan Clauwaert**, Senior Researcher ETUI

Friday 26 February 2010

To be announced soon.