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EU ENLARGEMENT and ACQUIS ADOPTION BURDEN: ALBANIAN CHALLENGES

## INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

**“EU enlargement and acquis adoption burden: state of art and proposals for a correct adoption of the acquis for Albania”**

**January 17-18-19, 2024  
Elbasan, Albania**

## CONFERENCE AGENDA

### *Venue*

**Faculty of Economics, University of Elbasan**

**08.30 - Registration of participants** (*Lobby of the Faculty of Economics building*).

### Opening Session

**09.00 - 09.10 – Opening remarks - Assoc. Prof. Dr. ARBER GJETA** – Chair Jean Monnet EEAABAC

**09.10 – Welcome speech** (*Aula Magna - Room 101*):

- **Prof. Dr. SKENDER TOPI** –Rector of the University of Elbasan “A. Xhuvani”
- **Assoc. Prof. Dr. IMELDA SEJDINI** - Dean of the Faculty of Economy, UE
- **Assoc. Prof. Dr. ELVIRA FETAHU** – Vice Rector of the University of Elbasan “A. Xhuvani”

**09.20 – Greetings** (*Aula Magna - Room 101*):

- **MATILDA FETAU** – Head of the Court of First Instance of General Jurisdiction Elbasan
- **KRESHNIK AJAZI** – Head of the Prosecution Office at the Court of First Instance of General Jurisdiction Elbasan
- **ROBERT GAJDA** – Albanian Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination

**09.40 – Presentation of Chair activities and commitments for the future**

**Assoc. Prof. Dr. ARBER GJETA** – Chair Jean Monnet EEAABAC

**Keynote speech** (*Aula Magna - Room 101*):

**Prof. GAETANO DAMMACCO** -University of Bari “Aldo Moro” (**online**)

**Day 1 – 17.01.2024**

<b>Panel 1 (Aula Magna - Room 101)</b>	
<b>Chair: Dr. Robert Gajda - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arber Gjeta</b>	
<b>11.<sup>00</sup>-13.<sup>00</sup></b>	<b>Presentations</b>
<i>Subject</i>	<i>Authors</i>
<b>Directive 2003/88/EC concerning certain aspects of the organization of working time: rationale of the discipline, role of the Court of Justice and Derogations by collective agreements</b>	<b>Prof. Dr. Vito Sandro Leccese</b> University of Bari <b>Richard Topi PhD Cand</b> University of Bari
<b>Chapter 8 of Acquis Communautaire, normative provisions and application challenges in Albania</b>	<b>Dr. Roland Dodani</b> University of Shkodra
<b>The trends of the EU Common Agricultural Policy: the legal tools for straightening farmers position within the agrifood supply chain.</b>	<b>Prof. Dr. Irene Canfora</b> University of Bari
<b>The support of socio-economic development and reforms in Albania through IPA</b>	<b>Assoc Prof. Dr. Rezarta Tahiraj</b> University of Elbasan <b>Richard Topi PhD cand.</b> University of Bari
<b>Ambiente, impresa, ruolo delle istituzioni: temi e questioni preliminari per un approccio alla ricerca</b>	<b>Prof. Dr. Giovanni Luchena</b> University of Bari
<b>13.<sup>00</sup> - 13.<sup>10</sup></b>	<b>Discussions</b>
<b>13.<sup>10</sup>-14.<sup>00</sup></b>	<b>Break</b>

<b>Panel 2 (Aula Magna - Room 101)</b>	
<b>Chair: Kreshnik Ajazi - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rezarta Tahiraj</b>	
<b>14.<sup>00</sup>-16.<sup>00</sup></b>	<b>Presentations</b>
<i>Subject</i>	<i>Authors</i>
<b>EU antidiscrimination law and the adoption of European standards in Albania</b>	<b>Dr. Robert Gajda</b> Albanian Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination
<b>New methodology of Enlargement in EU: the way ahead for the Balkan countries and the case of Albania</b>	<b>Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arber Gjeta</b> University of Elbasan
<b>Navigating the Boundaries of Human Rights in the EU: A Case Study of Poland's Compliance and Challenges</b>	<b>Assoc Prof. Dr. Robert Tabaszewski</b> The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin <b>(online)</b>
<b>16.<sup>00</sup> - 16.<sup>20</sup></b>	<b>Closing remarks</b>

Day 2 – 18.01.2024

**Panel 3; (Aula Magna - Room 101)**

<b>Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arber Gjeta - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rezarta Tahiraj</b>	
<b>09.<sup>00</sup>-10.<sup>30</sup></b>	<b>Presentations</b>
	<i>Subject</i>
	<i>Authors</i>
	<p><b>Encrypted communications as proof in the criminal procedure</b></p> <p><b>Magj. Engert Pellumbi</b> Special Court of Appeal for Corruption and Organised Crime</p> <p><b>Magj Florjan Kalaja</b> Special Court of Appeal for Corruption and Organised Crime</p>
	<p><b>Convergence and Compliance: Evaluating Albania's Legislative Harmonization with EU the Copenhagen Criteria</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Elira Luli</b> Luarasi University</p>
	<p><b>Challenges and Compliance with EU Acquis in the Procurement sector. A Critical Analysis of Public Procurement and Contracting in Albania</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Entela Abdul</b> Luarasi, University</p>
	<p><b>Relationships between human capital, labor markets and migration in Albania. Cooperation with EU countries for the return to a circular migration</b></p> <p><b>Lindita Kiri</b> Qirjazi University</p>
	<p><b>Latest development of European Court of Justice in unfair contractual terms in consumer contracts and its impact on EU legislation</b></p> <p><b>Prof. Asoc. Dr. Ersida Teliti</b> University of Tirana</p> <p><b>Msc. Herjeta Deliaj</b></p>
	<p><b>State aid to environment as a preventive and promotional means to support enterprises: short notes</b></p> <p><b>Alessandra Poliseno, Phd cand.</b> University of Bari</p>
	<p><b>L'intervento nell'economia per la transizione digitale: spunti di riflessione</b></p> <p><b>Giovanna Papa, PhD cand.</b> University of Bari</p>
<b>10.<sup>30</sup> - 10.<sup>40</sup></b>	<b>Discussions</b>
<b>10.<sup>40</sup>-11.<sup>00</sup></b>	<b>Break</b>

**Panel 4 ; (Aula Magna - Room 101)**

<b>Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ersida Teliti - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arber Gjeta</b>	
<b>11.<sup>00</sup>-12.<sup>30</sup></b>	<b>Presentations</b>
	<i>Subject</i>
	<i>Authors</i>
	<p><b>Overcoming the Adoption Burden: Navigating EU Enlargement and Acquis Adoption for Albania</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Lorenca Bejko</b> Luarasi University</p>
	<p><b>Local Government in the process of European integration. Public administration to achieve European standards and to better serve the local community</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Zemaida Mozali</b> Senior Expert EU integration</p>
	<p><b>Local Governance and EU Integration: The Impact of Local Government Units on Albania's Path to EU Membership</b></p> <p><b>Arben Meta</b> Director of European Projects Department, Municipality of Kavaja</p>
	<p><b>The collective solution of the labor relationship, in a comparative perspective.</b></p> <p><b>Endi Kalemaj MSc.</b> National Youth Agency</p> <p><b>Kejsi Marku MSc.</b></p>
	<p><b>Organization and functioning of labor relations according to Albanian and international legislation</b></p> <p><b>MSc. Endi Kalemaj</b> National Youth Agency</p>
	<p><b>Human rights in different forms of states. Organs that ensure the implementation of human rights</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Denisa Naqellari</b> University of Elbasan</p> <p><b>Msc. Jugena Fetahu</b></p>
	<p><b>Pedagogy and the European Union towards a common goal: lines of research for an ecological transition and a sustainable future</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Rosa Indellicato (online)</b></p>

European integration, circular economy and environmental taxation: the case of the "European plastic tax"		<b>Dr. Salvatore Antonello Parente</b> (online) University of Bari
12. <sup>30</sup> - 12. <sup>40</sup>	<b>Discussions</b>	
12. <sup>40</sup> - 13. <sup>00</sup>	<b>Break</b>	

### Panel 5 ; (Aula Magna - Room 101)

<b>Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rezarta Tahiraj - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arber Gjeta</b>		
13. <sup>00</sup> - 15. <sup>00</sup>	<b>Presentations</b>	
	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Authors</i>
	EU's Impact on the Albanian Property Law	<b>Prof. Asoc. Dr. Denard Veshi</b> Bedër College <b>Kristel Haxhia, PhD cand.</b> University of Campania
	Analysis of a PV Deployment in Albanian within the Green Agenda and Economic and Investment Plan for the Western Balkans	<b>Dr. Lorenc Gordani</b> Tirana Business Universty
	Public Financial Management Reform: a continuous journey toward EU standards	<b>Dr. Vanina Kalemi (Jakupi)</b> Ministry of Finance
	European integration and labor market development in Albania. The importance and role of NESA (National Employment and Skills Agency) in reducing unemployment (a case study in Elbasan municipality)	<b>Dr. Marsel Sulanjaku</b> University of Elbasan <b>Msc. Meri Muçelli</b> Accountant
	The New Growth Plan for the Western Balkans	<b>Dr. Enkelelda Petanaj</b> University of Tirana <b>Msc. Nadia Guni</b> University of Tirana
	Corruption in North Macedonia and the need for Independent Judiciary: Legal Pathways to Joining European Union	<b>Arta Selmani</b> Ss. Cyril and Methodius University Skopje, North Macedonia
	Democratization vis-à-vis Europeanization in the Balkan region two different, or two complementary processes?	<b>Msc. Fleino Mozali</b> AADF -Clean Score project
15. <sup>00</sup> - 15. <sup>10</sup>	<b>Discussions and closing remarks</b>	

### Day 3 – 19.01.2024

### Panel 6; (Aula Magna - Room 101)

<b>Chair: Dr. Aida Llozana - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arber Gjeta</b>		
10. <sup>30</sup> - 12. <sup>00</sup>	<b>Presentations</b>	
	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Authors</i>
	Albanian Legal standards in guaranteeing the freedom of movement of workers and their alignment with Chapter 2 of the EU Law "Freedom of movement of workers"	<b>Assoc. Prof. Dr. Evis Garunja</b> University of Durrës
	Concession contracts in the Republic of Albania and EU legislation: the case of natural resources	<b>Msc. Fatos Kaleshi</b> Corporate lawyer
	Labor law dynamics in the Republic of Albania. (An approach to the European Union legislation.)	<b>Dr. Aida Llozana</b> University of Elbasan <b>Msc. Danja Peza</b>
	Processi di transizione democratica e prospettive di integrazione europea - il caso dell'Albania	<b>Msc. Ervis Sanço</b> University of Elbasan <b>Msc. Enea Qevani</b> University of Elbasan
	Integration processes, approximation of the Albanian national legislation with international law	<b>Msc. Elarta Fetahu</b> <b>Assoc. Prof. Dr. Elisabeta Osmanaj</b> University of Elbasan

Changes in the law on private pension funds in Albania and their approach to European integration	<b>Assoc. Prof. Dr. Juliana Bylykbashi</b> University of Tirana <b>Msc. Juar Bylykbashi</b> <b>Assoc. Prof. Dr. Eneida Sema</b> University of Tirana
Institutional capital in EU expansion: analyzing its role and impact on aspiring member countries	<b>Dr. Megi Marku</b> University of Elbasan <b>Dr. Meri Duduci</b> University of Elbasan
<b>12.<sup>00</sup> - 12.<sup>20</sup></b>	<b>Discussions</b>
<b>12.<sup>20</sup> - 12.<sup>30</sup></b>	<b>Break</b>

<b>Panel 7 ; (Aula Magna - Room 101)</b>	
<b>Chair: Dr. Robert Gajda - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arber Gjeta</b>	
<b>12.<sup>30</sup> - 14.<sup>00</sup></b>	<b>Presentations</b>
<i>Subject</i>	<i>Authors</i>
The advent of new technologies in the shipping sector	<b>Prof. Dr. Massimiliano Musi</b> University of Bologna
The codification of the transport legislation in Albania under EU integration process: An Italian model or EU requests?	<b>Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arber Gjeta</b> University of Elbasan
The effectiveness of consumer protection measures in the EU Internal Market	<b>Msc. Ani Hasa</b> <b>Prof. Asoc. Dr. Elvira Fetahu</b> University of Elbasan
Will Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) helps SME-s on growing internationally? (Albania Case)	<b>Dr. Erisa Musabelli</b> University of Durres <b>Msc. Valbona Mehmeti</b> University of Durres <b>Msc. Kamela Hasko</b> University of Durres
Economic and social affairs platform in Western Balkans	<b>Amalya Hakobyan Vardanyan</b> University of Elbasan
The principle of supremacy of the EU law	<b>Gloria Lleshanaku</b> University of Elbasan
EU enlargement process through economic integration	<b>Dr. Lorenzo Rodio Nico</b> University of Bari <b>(Online)</b>
The foreign security policy as a factor in the development of Albania's integration into the European space	<b>Dr. Gerta Gjeta</b> University of Elbasan <b>Dr. Anxhelina Zhidro</b> University of Elbasan
The necessity of strengthening institutional capacities to address the challenge of acquis adoption within 2030	<b>Dr. Elona Bano</b> Ministry of Justice
<b>14.<sup>00</sup> - 14.<sup>10</sup></b>	<b>Discussions</b>

## CONCLUSIONS

**14.10**

**Prof. Dr. MASSIMILIANO MUSI** – University of Bologna

**Assoc. Prof. Dr. ARBER GJETA** – University of Elbasan

**Dr. ELONA BANO** – Ministry of Justice

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**CALL FOR PAPERS**

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

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**Conference dates: January 17-18-19, 2024**

**Elbasan**

## **JEAN MONNET CHAIR**

**EAAABAC**

**Department of Law at the Faculty of Economics organizes:**

### **International Scientific Conference “EU Enlargement and *acquis* adoption burden: state of art and proposals for a correct adoption of the *acquis* for Albania”**

Dates:

**January 17-18-19, 2024**

Venue:

**Faculty of Economics, Elbasan, ALBANIA**

#### **Call for participation**

We are pleased to invite submissions of papers and abstracts for the International Conference that will be held at the Faculty of Economics, University of Elbasan “Aleksandër Xhuvani”, on January 17, 18, 19 2024.

#### **Context**

This conference comes as a conclusive event for the Jean Monnet Chair activated at the University of Elbasan, Faculty of Economics, Department of Law. The event has a multidisciplinary approach and intends to present high quality theoretical and empirical research papers from a broad range of disciplines, including economics, business, finance, law, tourism, engineering, development studies, political science, international relations, and other related disciplines with a focus on enlargement and integration issues in European Union. Our aim is to bring together academics, scholars, authors and PhD students from Albania and other Balkan and European countries to share their knowledge and exchange ideas on the recent developments regarding EU enlargement and the perspective for the Western Balkans.

The conference purpose is to establish a debate among national, regional, and international scientific community members on the challenges that the European integration process brings and possibly to provide models, demonstrating the approaches to be followed.

This event comes at a crucial moment during the integration process for Albania closing the screening process and being issued the EC screening report for the first cluster of negotiations. After the Summit of Tirana in December 2022 the EU reconfirms the importance of the strategic partnership between EU and Western Balkans as a region with a clear EU perspective. In December 2023 the European Council in its conclusions does not offer a perspective on the completion of the opening phase of the accession negotiations with Albania, due to the lack of decision within the Council, but reaffirms the EU perspective for the WB countries.



## **Main topics**

*EU institutions, Enlargement procedures, Integration process, Chapters and Clusters of negotiations framework, EU Internal Market, Acquis adoption efforts, Western Balkan Countries, Reforms.*

*Please note that the above context and topics is to be considered as a reference and guidance for authors but the organizing committee after evaluation may accept any abstract which deals with important specific issues that results with relevant impact within the scope of the conference.*

## **Participants:**

The International Conference "EU Enlargement and acquis adoption burden: state of art and proposals for a correct adoption of the acquis for Albania" invites scholars, academics, professionals, consultants, internship students, PhD students, governmental and non-governmental agencies to participate and share their knowledge and experience in debates on the latest developments of the field of EU studies and enlargement process.

## **Conference publications:**

The *Scientific Committee* will evaluate and accept the best papers based on the relevance of the topic, the clarity of thought and authenticity. The accepted paper will be published in the Conference Proceeding Book.

**Fees and other details:** The participation at the conference is free of charge.

## **The sessions to be held at the Conference:**

- a. Plenary session.
- b. Sessions.
- c. Round table for the conclusion session.

## **Important dates:**

<b>Abstract submission</b>	<b>January 13, 2024</b>
<b>Abstract Acceptance Notice</b>	<b>January 15, 2024</b>
<b>Full paper submission</b>	<b>January 30, 2024</b>
<b>Conference dates</b>	<b>January 17-18-19, 2024</b>

## **Further information**

**Venue:** University of Elbasan "Aleksandër Xhuvani"  
Faculty of Economics, Rruga "Tomorr Domi", Elbasan, Albania.

**Dates:** **January 17-18-19, 2024**

**Conference language: English/Italian**

We would be grateful if you share the Call for Papers among peers.

*Thank you for your interest,*

For submitting abstracts and full papers and for any other information you need regarding the conference, please do not hesitate to contact:

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