



THE EU AND THE PROTECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS IN EUROPE – WHAT IS ADDED VALUE?

ROUNDTABLE

CHAIR: MARIE-PIERRE GRANGER

Participants:

SYBE DE VRIES (PROFESSOR, UTRECHT UNIVERSITY)

The Horizontal Application of EU human rights

HENRI DE WAELE (PROFESSOR, RADOUD UNIVERSITY NIJMEGEN, AND UNIVERSITY OF ANTWERP)

Obstacles for EU Citizens in Gaining Access to Travel Documents

HANNEKE VAN EIJKEN (ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, UTRECHT UNIVERSITY)

Intra-EU mobility: a right for all EU citizens and their families?

ORSOLYA SALAT (VISITING PROFESSOR AND RESEARCHER, CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY)

Freedom of expression – Are EU citizen-journalists protected?

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ABSTRACT | The event brings together researchers involved in the EU funded bEUcitizen research project (FP7). Gathering 26 European universities, the project explores from a multidisciplinary and multinational perspective barriers to the exercise of European Union citizenship.

In this roundtable, researchers involved in Work Package 7, dealing with Civil Rights will present the premises and early findings of case studies which explored the extent to which civil rights of EU citizens are guaranteed in selected member states.

The roundtable will start with a guest presentation on the horizontal application of EU human rights law through internal market law by Sybe de Vries (Utrecht University). It will be followed by presentations by Henri de Waele (Antwerp University) and Hanneke van Eijken (TBC), who will investigate the extent to which specific EU citizenship rights, such as the right of EU citizens and their family members to move and reside in other EU member states, and their capacity to exercise their mobility rights through access to travel documents, are actually enforced on the ground. Finally, Orsolya Salat will look at the challenges ahead, to protect the freedom of expression of EU Citizen-Journalists and media pluralism.

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