

Safe Schools and Education Rights in a Post Pandemic Era

International Conference and Expert Seminar



**133rd ELA International Conference
15-17 October 2020, Budapest, Hungary**



in cooperation with Ereky Public Law Research Center (PPCU) and the
Commissioner for Educational Rights (Hungary)

Online registration is required:

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Program
(22 May 2020)

14th October 2020., Wednesday

19:00 informal meeting (Reception hosted by the Embassy of Belgium)

15th October 2020., Thursday

venue: Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Conference Hall, Budapest, Hungary

Opening and welcome session

8:00-09:00	registration, welcome coffee
09:00-09:10	Prof. Jan De Groof, president (ELA)
09:10-09:15	László Komáromi, Vice Rector (PPCU)
09:15-09:23	Lajos Aáry-Tamás, Commissioner for Educational Rights, HU
09:23-09:30	Balázs Gerencsér PhD, director (Ereky Research Center, PPCU)

Pre-conference
Turn to Digital Education - lessons learned in the Spring of 2020
Reflection to the Challenges of Education during the Pandemic Era

09:30-09:45	<i>Managing Higher Education in Pandemic Era</i> László Palkovics (Minister for Innovation and Technology, HU)
09:45-10:00	<i>Restructuring (?) Networks in Education</i> prof. Albert-László Barabási (Northeastern University, Boston)
10:00-10:15	<i>Challenges in Education from a European Perspective</i> Mr. Mark West (Education sector, UNESCO, France)
10:15-10:30	<i>Effect of the Digital Turn to the Right to Education</i> Lajos Aáry-Tamás (Commissioner for Education Rights, HU)
10:30-10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45-11:40	<i>Round Table: Sustainability and IT Support to Education - What does education need?</i> Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Melanie Adrian (Associate Professor, Carleton University, Department of Law and Legal Studies, Canada) - Mr. Luis Neves (Managing Director of the Global Enabling Sustainability Initiative) - Mr. Shyamal Majumdar (Former Head, UNESCO-UNEVOC, International Centre for Technical and Vocational Training) - Michael P. Donnelly (JD, LL.M., Senior Counsel, Global Outreach) - Microsoft HQ - Design Terminal HQ - Digital Welfare Program (Digitális Jólét Program, HU)
11:40-12:00	Q&A; debate

12:00-13:00 Lunch break

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International Conference on School Conflict Management

Session 1

Jurisdiction and the Basic Right of Education (conflicts and mediation)

13:00-13:20	<i>General Framework and Conflicts of Rights?</i> prof. Jan de Groof - President of the European Association for Education Law and Policy (ELA). Professor at the College of Europe (Bruges, Belgium), at the University of Tilburg (the Netherlands) and at the National Research University - Higher School of Economics (Moscow, Russia). UNESCO Chair for the Right to Education and former UNESCO Chargé de Mission
13:20-13:35	<i>Religious Freedom and Education: conclusions of the joint conference in Toruń, Poland</i> Jan Wólkowski (Nicolaus Copernicus University, PL)
13:35-13:50	<i>The Role of a Judge Dealing with Education Rights</i> Judge András Zs. Varga (Constitutional Court, HU)
13:50-14:05	<i>Parental Rights, Compulsory Kindergarten, all-day school - the Challenge of Subsidiarity</i> Judge Balázs Schanda (Constitutional Court, HU)
14:05-14:25	Q&A; debate
14:25-14:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
14:45-15:00	<i>Recent Judgments of the Constitutional Court of Latvia on the Right to Education</i> Judge prof. Sanita Osipova (Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia)
15:00-15:15	<i>Violence in primary education - Struggle with Tools of Hungarian Criminal Law</i> Viktor Bérces, PhD (assistant professor, PPCU)
15:15-15:35	Q&A; debate

SPECIAL PANEL:
Ombudsman and Children's Rights Commissioners Forum

15:45-17:15

Composed by:

Ákos Kozma (Commissioner for Human Rights, HU, Member of ENOC)

Caroline Vrijens (The Flemish Children's Rights Commissioner)

Edita Žiobienė (Ombudsperson for Children's Rights, LT, Member of ENOC)

Mr. Arman Tatoyan, (the Human Rights Defender of the Republic of Armenia, Member of ENOC)

Q&A; debate

19:00 Reception, networking

16th October, Friday

venue: Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Conference Hall

09:30-12:30 Session 2

Protection of Education Rights - Managing School Conflicts

09:00-09:30	Registration, welcome coffee
09:30-09:45	<i>Introduction</i> prof. Jan de Groof
09:45-10:00	<i>European perspectives of Education Right from the ECtHR</i> Judge Paczolay Péter (ECtHR)
10:00-10:15	<i>European perspectives of Education Right from the CJEU</i> Judge Zoltán Csehi (CJEU)
10:15-10:45	<i>Global Perspectives on the Right to Education</i> Ms. Vibeke Jensen (Director of Division for Peace and Sustainability Development, Education Sector, UNESCO)
10:45-11:00	Q&A; debate
11:00-11:20	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:20-11:35	<i>Interfaith conflicts and possible solutions among different religious heritages within the society and legal regulation</i> Szabolcs Anzelm Szuromi (professor of Canon Law, PPCU)
11:35-11:50	The Role of Extrajudicial Bodies in Education Kurt Willems (professor of Law, KU Leuven, Belgium)
11:50-12:05	<i>The importance of non judicial dispute settlement in education</i> Paul Zoontjens (Tilburg University, the Netherlands)
12:05-12:20	<i>Human Rights Perspective in case of School Conflicts</i> Maria Smirnova (Federal Centre for Educational Legislation, Moscow, Russia, The University of Manchester, UK)
12:20-12:35	<i>Balancing constitutional rights of students and the duty for safety</i> Pieter Huisman, Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam
12:35-12:50	Q&A; debate

12:50-13:30 Lunch break

13:30-13:45	<i>Perspectives from EU law on managing conflicts in schools</i> Kris Grimonprez (Catholic University Leuven)
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13:45-14:00	<i>Perspective from Education policies on Managing School Conflicts in Europe</i> Bruno Vanobbergen (Algemeen Directeur Agentschap Opgroeien)
14:00-14:15	<i>Australian perspectives on the Right to Education and Managing School Conflicts</i> Prof. Joan Squelch (Dean, School of Law, The University of Notre Dame Australia)
14:15-14:30	<i>Education Law, Perspectives and Managing School Conflicts</i> Ben Vermeulen (Council of State; Radboud University, the Netherlands)
14:30-14:50	Q&A; debate
14:50-15:10	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:10-15:25	<i>Education and the protection of the child in the age of the Internet and social networks</i> Pablo Meix Cereceda (University of Castilla-La Mancha, Spain)
15:25-15:40	<i>US Education Law perspectives and Communicating During School Conflicts</i> Charles Russo (University of Dayton, USA)
15:40-15:55	<i>Conflicts in schools related to bullying: legal and practical aspects</i> Szymon Yankevich (Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia)
15:55-16:10	<i>Conflicts in Russian schools: under-reporting, prosecutor's inspections and federal regulation</i> Nadezhda Knyaginina (Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia)
16:10-16:25	Q&A; debate
16:25-17:15	<p><i>Round Table: The Best Law and Best Practices Coping with Conflict Management in Schools: European Perspectives</i></p> <p>William Baginsky (former Head of Child Protection Publishing and Film at National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children; Associate Editor for the Training Update in Child Abuse Review)</p> <p>Hendrik Urdal (Director of the Peace Research Institute, Oslo)</p> <p>Claudio Baraldi (Professor of Sociology of cultural and communicative processes at the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia)</p> <p>Chris Gittins (Co-Director of the Northampton Centre for Learning Behaviour (NCfLB) at The University of Northampton, Former UK government's lead adviser for behaviour and attendance in schools)</p> <p>Albin Juhász-Laczik OSB (Director of the Benedictine Secondary School of Pannonhalma, Monastery founded in AD 996, Hungary)</p>

17:15-17:30	Presentation and Discussion of the Conclusions of the Conference
17:30-17:45	Summary prof. Jan de Groof, and Balázs Gerencsér PhD

19:00 Reception, cultural program

17th October, Saturday

Round table and Expert Seminar on SGD4 and Safe Schools

venue: Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Faculty Meeting Room (2nd floor)

9:30-11:30	<p>Round table and expert seminar: SGD4 and Safe Schools chair: prof. Jan de Groof, Balázs Gerencsér PhD</p> <p>Keynotes:</p> <p><i>Rephrasing the international law on ed rights from sustainability prospect</i> Klaus Beiter Associate Professor (International Public Law North-West University, South Africa)</p> <p><i>New and Persistent Challenges for the International Law of Education</i> Tamás Ádány PhD (Head of Department of International Law, PPCU)</p> <p><i>The Fragile Right to Education</i> Balázs Sz. Gerencsér PhD (associate professor, PPCU)</p> <p>Debate</p>
11:30-12:00	Summary, research plans for 2021 and 2022
12:00-13:00	Lunch

Free individual program

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Essential Information about the Conference

Registration

The conference has no registration fees, travel and accommodation expenses covered individually. [Online registration is required.](#) More information will be provided on the Ereky Research Center's webpage: <http://ereky.jak.ppke.hu>. For further information please contact [gerencser.balazs\[at\]jak.ppke.hu](mailto:gerencser.balazs[at]jak.ppke.hu)

Venue

Pázmány Péter Catholic University
Faculty of Law and Political Sciences
Grand Hall, 2nd floor
H-1088 Budapest, Szentkirályi u. 28.
<https://goo.gl/maps/ot1hHyGogDchYaxq5>

Limit of Number of Participants

The Conference Hall limits the participants at 120. Therefore the online application may be withdrawn if limit reached. We hope your understanding.

COVID-19 information

The virus restrictions for October 2020 are unknown for the time being. We do hope that travel and other restrictions will be lifted and nothing will be announced instead. In case the virus and pandemic restrictions are still valid, we plan to move the complete conference to online interface. Further information will be given later.

Accommodation

Hotels near the university and the conference event:

Hotel Palazzo Zichy (<https://hotel-palazzo-zichy.hu/>)

Mercure Budapest Korona Hotel (<https://all.accor.com/hotel/1765/index.en.shtml>)

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<https://www.google.hu/maps/search/hotel/@47.4906978,19.0598218,17z/data=!4m8!2m7!5m5!5m4!1s2020-10-15!2i2!4m1!1i1!6e3>

Accessibility

The main building of the Pázmány Péter Catholic University (1088 Budapest, Szentkirályi u. 28.) is barrier-free for people with reduced mobility. The conference hall on the second floor is accessible by elevator. Ask for assistance at the concierge desk.

Parking (for those who come by car)

The University and the conference is located in the downtown of Budapest. The easiest way to solve downtown parking problems is to park your car near an outside metro stations. The University is accessible by both the M2 (Astroria) and M3 metro lines (Kálvin tér) and trams 4-6 (Rákóczi tér). An underground garage is located near the university on Pollack Mihály tér and Rákóczi tér.