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Koen Lenaerts

Koen Lenaerts is the President of the Court of Justice of the European Union.

He began his career at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven as a lecturer in 1979, becoming Professor of European Law in 1983. From 1984 to 1985 he was Legal Secretary at the Court of Justice, and from 1984 to 1989 he held the post of Professor at the College of Europe in Bruges. He was a member of the Brussels Bar from 1986 until 1989, when he became a visiting professor at Harvard Law School. He was a judge at the Court of First Instance of the European Communities (25 September 1989 to 6 October 2003) and has been a judge at the Court of Justice since 7 October 2003. He was the Vice-President of the Court of Justice from 9 October 2012 to 8 October 2015 and has been its President since 8 October 2015.

Born in 1954, Mr Lenaerts holds a lic. iuris, a PhD in law (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven), as well as an LLM and an MPA (Harvard University).



Christine Lagarde

Christine Lagarde has been the President of the European Central Bank (ECB) since November 2019. Between 2011 and 2019 she served as the eleventh Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Prior to that she served as the French Minister of the Economy and Finance from 2007 to 2011, having been Minister for Foreign Trade from 2005 to 2007. A lawyer by background, she practiced for 20 years with the international law firm Baker McKenzie, of which she became global Chair in 1999. In each case, she was the first woman to hold any of these positions.

In 2020 Christine Lagarde was ranked the second most influential woman in the world by Forbes, and she has previously also been listed as one of the 100 most influential people in the world by TIME magazine. She was named Officier in the Légion d'honneur in April 2012 and Commandeur dans l'ordre national du mérite in May 2021.



Barbara Balke

Barbara Balke has been Director General and General Counsel at the European Investment Bank (EIB) since February 2020.

Ms Balke joined the EIB in 1999 as Legal Counsel Institutional Affairs. From 2001 to 2006 she worked as legal counsel on lending operations in central and eastern Europe. In 2006 she was appointed Head of Division “Central and Eastern Europe, Legal Department – Operations”. In 2008 she became Deputy Director of Human Resources. From 2013 to 2019 she held the position of Director of the Corporate Department in the Legal Directorate, where she has also been Deputy General Counsel since 2018.

Before joining the EIB, Ms Balke worked as a German-qualified attorney at Deringer Tessin Herrmann und Sedemund / Freshfields Deringer in Cologne and Brussels, specialising in competition law.

She holds a Dr. jur. (University of Bonn) and an LLM in EU law and commercial law (University of Edinburgh).



Thérèse Blanchet

Since July 2019 Thérèse Blanchet has been Director-General of the Legal Service of the Council of the European Union and Jurisconsult of the European Council and the Council.

She joined the Legal Service in November 1995 as a legal adviser. From 2000 to 2011, she was Adviser to the Director General of the legal service and head of the coordination unit. In May 2018 she was appointed Director of the Justice and Home Affairs Directorate of the legal service.

Having graduated in law at the University of Geneva in 1984, Ms Blanchet was admitted to the Geneva Bar in 1987 and received a master's degree in European law from the College of Europe in Bruges in 1989. She then joined the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), where she was a legal adviser from 1990 to 1995 during the negotiation of the Agreement on the European Economic Area, after which she began her career in the legal service of the Council.

Ms Blanchet has been closely associated with several intergovernmental conferences and Treaty revisions (in particular the Treaty of Amsterdam, the Treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe and the Treaty of Lisbon), their implementation, as well as other important negotiations.



Michal Bobek

Michael Bobek was born in 1977. He holds a master's degree in law and a master's degree in international relations (Charles University in Prague), a diploma in English law and the law of the European Union (University of Cambridge), a Magister Juris (University of Oxford) and a Doctor of Laws (European University Institute, Florence). He studied at the Université libre de Bruxelles and the University of Queensland (Australia). He was Legal Secretary to the President of the Supreme Administrative Court of the Czech Republic (2005-09) and Head of the Research and Documentation Department of that court (2008-09), before qualifying to perform the duties of a judge in the Czech Republic (2009). He was also a fellow (2011-12) and a research fellow (2013-16) at the Institute of European and Comparative Law of the University of Oxford. He was a professor at the College of Europe in Bruges (2013-15), a member of the Board of Appeals of Česká národní banka (2013-15), an ad hoc judge at the European Court of Human Rights (2013-15), co-founder and President of the Czech Society for European and Comparative Law, a lecturer and visiting professor at numerous universities in Europe and elsewhere, and author of many publications in the field of EU law, European human rights, comparative (public) law and legal theory. He has been an Advocate General at the Court of Justice since 7 October 2015.



Daniel Calleja Crespo

Daniel Calleja Crespo has been the Director-General of the Legal Service of the European Commission since 15 July 2020.

He started his career in the Commission as a member of the Legal Service, where he worked from 1986 to 1993. During that period he represented the institution in numerous cases before the Court of Justice.

He was Director-General for Environment from September 2015 to July 2020 and Director-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs from 2012 to August 2015.

From February 2011 to January 2012, he was Deputy Director-General for Enterprise and Industry and Special Envoy for SMEs. From 2004 to 2011 he was Director for Air Transport in the Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport.

From 1993 to 1999 he worked in the cabinets of several Commissioners, including the President of the European Commission, advising on transport and competition matters, state aid and the application of Community law. Between 1999 and 2004 he was Head of Cabinet of Vice-President Loyola de Palacio – he was in charge of Transport and Energy, where he contributed decisively on a number of key issues.



Jan Ceyskens

Jan Ceyskens is Head of Digital Finance in the Directorate-General for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union at the European Commission.

He was previously a member and Deputy Head of the Cabinet of Vice-President Dombrovskis and a member of the cabinet of Vice-President Barnier, and Team Leader for Financial Supervision in the Directorate-General Internal Market and Services.

He graduated in law at Humboldt University in Berlin and holds a master's degree in European Law (King's College London).

He joined the European Commission in 2006, working initially in the Cartels Enforcement Directorate of the Directorate-General Competition. In 2009 he moved to the Directorate-General Internal Market and Services (later renamed Directorate-General for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union).



Marco Dani

Marco Dani is Associate Professor of Comparative Public Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Trento. He had previously completed his PhD and served as an assistant professor at the same university. He was Emile Noël Fellow at the Jean Monnet Center of the New York University (NYU) School of Law (2004-05) and Marie Curie Fellow at the European Institute of the London School of Economics and Political Science (2009-10). He is member of the editorial board of the newly founded journal *European Law Open*. He is the author of *Il diritto pubblico europeo nella prospettiva dei conflitti* (Cedam, 2013) and of several articles published in leading journals of European and constitutional law. His current research focuses on the impact of European integration on national constitutional orders.



Luis de Guindos

Luis de Guindos has been Vice-President of the ECB since 1 June 2018. In this capacity he is also a member of the Executive Board, the Governing Council and the General Council of the ECB.

From 2011 to 2016 he was Spain's Minister of Economy and Competitiveness, and from 2016 to 2018 he was Minister of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness. Previously, from 2002 to 2004, he was Secretary of State for Economic Affairs and a member of the Economic and Financial Committee of the EU. Prior to that, he was Secretary General for Economic and Competition Policy (2000-02) and Director General for Economic and Competition Policy (1996-2000).

Mr de Guindos was Head of Financial Services at PricewaterhouseCoopers (2008-09) and Director, IE Business School and PwC Center for the Finance Sector (2010-11). He was Chief Executive Officer Iberia at Lehman Brothers and Chief Executive Officer at Nomura Securities (2006-08).

He received a BSc in Economics from Colegio Universitario de Estudios Financieros (CUNEF) in Spain in 1982 and graduated as State Economist and Trade Expert in 1984.



Bruno de Witte

Bruno De Witte is Professor of European Union Law at Maastricht University, co-director of the Maastricht Centre for European Law, and a part-time professor at the Robert Schuman Centre of the European University Institute in Florence.

His main fields of research and publication are constitutional law of the European Union; relations between international, European and national law; protection of fundamental rights in Europe; rights of minorities, language law and cultural diversity in Europe; internal market law and non-market values; decision-making and legal instruments of EU law.



Paul Dermine

Paul Dermine was born in 1989 and trained as a lawyer and a political scientist in Europe and the United States. He holds a joint doctorate cum laude from the University of Maastricht and KU Leuven. His research focuses on the institutional law of the European Union and the governance of the euro area. It has attracted funding and awards from a variety of institutions, such as the College of Europe (Inbev-Baillet-Latour Scholarship), NYU School of Law (Hauser Global Scholarship), the European University Institute (Max Weber Fellowship), the Flemish Research Council (Junior Postdoctoral Scholarship) and the ECB (Junior Legal Research Scholarship).

Mr Dermine's recent work has been published in the *Common Market Law Review*, the *European Constitutional Law Review*, the *European Law Review*, the *Journal of Banking Regulation* and *European Papers*. His first monograph *The New Economic Governance of the Eurozone – A Rule of Law Analysis* will be published by Cambridge University Press in 2022.

Since April 2021 he has worked as a référendaire in the chambers of Judge Octavia Spineanu-Matei at the Court of Justice.



Frank Elderson

Frank Elderson was born in 1970 and has served as an executive director of De Nederlandsche Bank since 1 July 2011. In that capacity he is currently responsible for banking supervision, horizontal supervisory functions and legal affairs. He is also a member of the ECB's Supervisory Board. Mr Elderson has participated as an observer in the EU High-Level Expert Group on Sustainable Finance. He is Chairman of the Central Banks and Supervisors Network for Greening the Financial System and Chairman of the Platform for Sustainable Finance in the Netherlands.

Before joining De Nederlandsche Bank's Governing Board, Mr Elderson served as Head of its ABN AMRO Supervision Department (2006-07), as Director of its Legal Services Division (2007-11) and as its General Counsel (2008-11). He received his professional training as an attorney with Houthoff Advocaten & Notarissen from 1995 to 1998. He studied at the University of Zaragoza and graduated in Dutch law at the University of Amsterdam in 1994. He received an LLM degree at Columbia Law School, New York, in 1995.



Edouard Fernandez-Bollo

Following his post-graduate studies at the École normale supérieure de Saint-Cloud in the humanities and social sciences section, and after acquiring experience in several branches of the French civil service, Edouard Fernandez-Bollo joined the Banque de France in 1988. There he held various positions related to banking regulation and licensing, European harmonisation and banking resolution issues.

Mr Fernandez-Bollo became General Counsel of the Commission Bancaire, the French supervisory authority, in 2004 and Deputy Secretary General in 2008. From 2007 to 2020 he was Chair of the Basel Committee's expert group on anti-money laundering and combating the financing of terrorism. From 2010 to 2013 he was Deputy Secretary General of the new Autorité de contrôle prudentiel et de résolution (ACPR), the integrated French prudential supervisor, and from 2014 to August 2019 he was Secretary General of the ACPR, a member of the Management Board of the European Banking Authority and a member of the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision.

Mr Fernandez-Bollo began his five-year term as a member of the Supervisory Board of the ECB in September 2019.



Diane Fromage

Diane Fromage is currently a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellow at the Sciences Po Law School, Paris.

She was previously Assistant Professor of European Law at both Maastricht University and Utrecht University, and a Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellow in Law at the European University Institute of Florence. She received her PhD in 2013 from the University of Pavia and Pompeu Fabra University.

Her research focuses on regional and national parliaments in the EU and, more generally, on any other topic related to parliaments in the EU, such as interparliamentary cooperation. She is also interested in independent fiscal institutions, European banking union, EU institutional matters and comparative constitutional law.



Diana Urania Galetta

Diana Urania Galetta is Full Professor of Administrative Law at the Law Faculty of Università degli Studi in Milan; she is also the Director of its Interdisciplinary Research Center on Public Administration (CERIDAP). She received a degree cum laude in Political Sciences (1990) and in Law (1998) at Università degli Studi in Milan, and an LLM cum laude from Osnabrück University (1993). She won research scholarships from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (1999-2000 and 2021). She won the “Altiero Spinelli Prize” (first place) for collective work on the codification of administrative procedures, published by ReNEUAL (2018).

Among others:

- Publisher and Editor-in-chief of the online Law Journal CERIDAP <https://ceridap.eu/>
- Member of the steering committees of the following law journals:
 - Federalismi.it
 - Rivista Italiana di Diritto Pubblico Comunitario
 - AmbienteDiritto.it
- Member of
 - Societas Juris Publici Europei (SIPE)
 - Italian Association of Administrative Law Professors (AIPDA)
 - National Association of German Public Law Professors (*Vereinigung der Deutschen Staatsrechtslehrer – VDStRL*)
 - Italian Association of European Union Law Scholars (AISDUE).
- Member of the steering committee of the Research Network on EU Administrative Law (ReNEUAL) <http://www.reneual.eu>

From 1991 to 2021 she produced more than 180 publications (books and papers). Topics include Italian and EU administrative law and comparative administrative law.



Dieter Grimm

Dieter Grimm was a judge at the German Federal Constitutional Court from 1987 to 1999. He is Professor of Public Law at Humboldt University in Berlin and also taught at Yale Law School from 2002 to 2017. From 2001 to 2007 he was the Rector of the Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, where he is still a Permanent Fellow. He holds honorary doctoral degrees from the universities of Toronto, Göttingen, Porto Alegre, Bucharest and Bielefeld. He is a member of the Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften, the Academia Europaea, the British Academy and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.



Juliane Kokott

Juliane Kokott is one of the eleven Advocates General at the Court of Justice in Luxembourg. Since October 2003 she has overseen about 1,300 cases and has delivered more than 500 opinions covering various aspects of European economic governance, including monetary policy, and banking supervision and resolution. Before joining the Court of Justice, she was a professor at the universities of Augsburg, Heidelberg, Düsseldorf and St. Gallen. She was also a visiting professor at Berkeley Law. Ms Kokott holds degrees from the University of Bonn, American University (Washington D.C.), Heidelberg University and Harvard Law School. She is the author, co-author and editor of a wide variety of publications and has initiated and organised numerous high-level conferences and expert symposia (e.g. Kokott and Mager (eds), *Religionsfreiheit und Gleichberechtigung der Geschlechter* (Freedom of Religion and Gender Equality), Tübingen, 2014). Together with Pasquale Pistone (International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation), she is also co-chair of an International Law Association study group focusing on international tax law (e.g. taxpayer rights, nexus).



Vasiliki Kosta

Vasiliki Kosta studied law at King's College London, obtaining an LLB in 2006 and an LLM in European Law (with distinction) in 2007. She subsequently pursued her PhD research on "Fundamental Rights in Internal Market Legislation" at the European University Institute (EUI) in Florence. From 2009 to 2011 she also worked as a research associate at the Academy of European Law at the EUI. In 2011 Ms Kosta was a "stagiaire" at the Court of Justice and she undertook a traineeship at the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights in 2011-12. In 2013 she defended her PhD thesis on "Fundamental Rights in Internal Market Legislation" at the EUI. She was an Emile Noël Fellow at the Jean Monnet Center of NYU School of Law in 2017 and in July 2021 she was awarded the Dutch NWO Vidi grant for the project "The EU Fundamental Right to 'Freedom of the Arts and Sciences': Exploring the Limits on the Commercialisation of Academia". Since 2012 she has been Assistant Professor of European Law at Leiden University.



Laura Codruța Kövesi

Laura Codruța Kövesi is the former chief prosecutor of Romania's National Anticorruption Directorate (DNA), a position she held from 2013 to 9 July 2018. Prior to this, between 2006 and 2012, she was the Prosecutor General of Romania, attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice. She was the first woman and the youngest Prosecutor General in Romania's history.

In October 2019 Ms Kövesi was confirmed by the European Parliament and the Council as the first European Chief Prosecutor to head the recently created European Public Prosecutor Office (EPPO), (EU Regulation (EU) 2017/1939).



Katja Langenbucher

Katja Langenbucher is a law professor at Goethe University's House of Finance in Frankfurt, an affiliated professor at Sciences Po, Paris, and a long-term guest professor at Fordham Law School, NYC. She has held visiting positions at Sorbonne University, WU Vienna, the London School of Economics, Columbia Law School and Fordham Law School (Edward Mulligan Distinguished Professorship). A Bok Visiting International Professorship at Penn Law, Philadelphia, is upcoming in 2022.

She has published extensively on corporate, banking and securities law. Her research projects focus on bank corporate governance, financial technology (fintech) and artificial intelligence (AI). She is currently working on the European Commission's proposal for an AI Act and what this would entail for credit scoring based on machine learning.

She is a member of the Administrative Council of the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (BaFin), a member of the German Federal Ministry of Finance's working group on capital markets law, and a member of the Conseil d'administration of the Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques. She was a member of the supervisory board of Postbank (2014-18) and a member of the European Commission's High-Level Forum on capital markets union (2019-20).



Maria Lillà Montagnani

Maria Lillà Montagnani is an associate professor of commercial law at Bocconi University in Milan, where she teaches and conducts research in the fields of law and technology, and is also Director of the LLM in European Business and Social Law.

She has been visiting professor at Peking University School of Transnational Law and Haifa School of Law, Global Research Fellow at NYU School of Law, faculty associate at the Berkman Klein Center of Harvard University and a scholarship holder at the Max Planck Institute in Munich. She is now a Transatlantic Technology Law Forum Fellow at Stanford Law School.

She has published widely in the field of intellectual property (IP) and technology in national and international journals and leading book series. She is also on the editorial board of several law journals and acts as an independent expert at the European Commission.

Besides IP law, she is currently interested in the legal issues surrounding emerging digital technologies, in particular autonomous systems and decision-making. Her research has recently focused on how liability for damages generated using AI should be allocated to foster its development and adoption without harming fundamental rights.



Fabio Panetta

Fabio Panetta has been a member of the Executive Board of the ECB since 1 January 2020. He is responsible for International and European Relations, Market Infrastructure and Payments and Banknotes.

Prior to joining the ECB, Mr Panetta was Senior Deputy Governor of the Banca d'Italia and President of the Italian Insurance Supervisory Authority.

He served as a member of the Board of Directors and as a member of the Committee on the Global Financial System of the Bank for International Settlements. From 2014 to 2019 he was a member of the Supervisory Board of the ECB.

Mr Panetta graduated with honours in Economics from LUISS University (Rome). He holds an MSc in Economics from the London School of Economics and a PhD in Economics and Finance from the London Business School.

He has authored books and papers published in international journals such as the American Economic Review, the Journal of Finance, the Journal of Money, Credit and Banking, the European Economic Review and the Journal of Banking and Finance.



Katharina Pistor

Katharina Pistor is the Edwin B. Parker Professor of Comparative Law at Columbia Law School and Director of the School's Center on Global Legal Transformation. Her research and teaching spans corporate law, corporate governance, money and finance, property rights, comparative law and law and development. She has published widely in legal and interdisciplinary journals and is the author and co-author of several books. She is the co-recipient (with Martin Hellweg) of the Max Planck Research Award (2012) and of several grants, including grants awarded by the Institute for New Economic Thinking and the National Science Foundation. She is a member of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Science and the European Academy of Science and a Fellow of the European Corporate Governance Institute. Her most recent book *The Code of Capital: How the Law Creates Wealth and Inequality* (Princeton University Press, 2019) has been praised in the Financial Times and Business Insider.



Miguel Poiares Maduro

Miguel Poiares Maduro holds the Vieira de Almeida Chair at the Global Law School of Universidade Católica Portuguesa. He is also the Director of the Future Forum at the Gulbenkian Foundation and Chair of the Executive Board of the European Digital Media Observatory. Until the summer of 2020, he was a professor and Director of the School of Transnational Governance at the European University Institute (EUI) in Florence, where he is still a visiting professor. From 2013 to 2015 he was Minister Adjunct to the Prime Minister and Minister for Regional Development in Portugal. Until October 2009 he was Advocate General at the Court of Justice. He received an LLD from the EUI and was winner of the best PhD thesis and best researcher of the Law Department at the EUI. He has been a regular visiting professor at Yale Law School, the Centro de Estudios Constitucionales (Madrid), the Chicago Law School and the London School of Economics. He also teaches at the Universidade Católica and the College of Europe. From July 2016 to May 2017 he was Chairman of the Governance and Review Committee of FIFA. He has been honoured by the President of the Portuguese Republic with the Order of Sant'Iago da Espada for literary, scientific and artistic merit. In 2010 he was awarded the Gulbenkian Science Prize. His most recent book is *Democracy in Times of Pandemic* (with Paul Kahn).



Iddo Porat

Iddo Porat is an associate professor of law at the College of Law and Business, Israel. He specialises in constitutional law, comparative constitutional law and legal theory. He graduated from the Hebrew University, clerked at the Israeli Supreme Court, and earned his master's and doctoral degrees from Stanford University. He is a recurring visiting professor at San Diego Law School and was a senior fellow at the Center for Comparative Constitutional Studies at Melbourne Law School from 2017 to 2018. He co-authored, with Moshe Cohen-Eliya, the book *Proportionality and Constitutional Culture* (2013).



Vivien Ann Schmidt

Vivien Ann Schmidt is Jean Monnet Professor of European Integration and Professor of International Relations and Political Science at the Pardee School at Boston University, where she served as Founding Director of its Center for the Study of Europe. She also served as Honorary Professor at LUISS Guido Carli University in Rome. Her work focuses on European political economy, institutions and democracy as well as political theory, especially the role of ideas and discourse in political analysis (discursive institutionalism). Her latest book *Europe's Crisis of Legitimacy: Governing by Rules and Ruling by Numbers in the Eurozone* (Oxford, 2020) was the recipient of an Honorable Mention in the Best Book Award of the European Union Studies Association). Recent publications include the co-edited *Resilient Liberalism in Europe's Political Economy* (Cambridge, 2013) and *Democracy in Europe* (Oxford, 2006; La Découverte, 2010, French translation), which was named as one of the “100 Books on Europe to Remember” in 2015 by the European Parliament. Recent honours and awards include decoration as Chevalier in the French Légion d'honneur as well as receiving the European Union Studies Association's Lifetime Achievement Award, an honorary doctorate from the Université Libre de Bruxelles, and a Guggenheim Foundation fellowship for her current project on the “rhetoric of discontent”, a transatlantic investigation of populism.



Isabel Schnabel

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Before joining the ECB, she was spokesperson of the Cluster of Excellence “ECONtribute: Markets & Public Policy”.

From 2014 to 2019 she served as a member of the German Council of Economic Experts (*Sachverständigenrat zur Begutachtung der gesamtwirtschaftlichen Entwicklung*), and in 2019 she was Co-Chair of the Franco-German Council of Economic Experts. In 2018 she was awarded the Gustav Stolper Prize of the Verein für Socialpolitik. She is currently a Council Member of the European Economic Association.

Isabel Schnabel studied Economics at Paris I, Berkeley and Mannheim, where she also received her PhD in 2003.



Frank Smets

Frank Smets is Director General Economics at the European Central Bank since February 2017.

Previously he was Adviser to the President of the European Central Bank since December 2013 and Director General of the Directorate General Research from September 2008. He is professor of economics at UGent and an honorary professor in the Duisenberg chair at the Faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Groningen. He is a Research Fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research in London and CESifo in Munich.

He has written and published extensively on monetary, macroeconomic, financial and international issues mostly related to central banking in top academic journals such as the Journal of the European Economic Association, the American Economic Review, the Journal of Political Economy and the Journal of Monetary Economics.

He has been managing editor of the International Journal of Central Banking from 2008 till 2010. Before joining the European Central Bank in 1998, he was a research economist at the Bank for International Settlements in Basel, Switzerland. He holds a PhD in Economics from Yale University.



Tomi Tuominen

Tomi Tuominen, LL.M., LL.D., is a Lecturer in Law at the University of Lapland (Finland). He is the author of *The Euro Crisis and Constitutional Pluralism: Financial Stability but Constitutional Inequality* (Edward Elgar Publishing, 2021). Journals in which his work has been published include the *Common Market Law Review* and the *European Law Review*. He was a visiting PhD student at the Amsterdam Centre for European Law and Governance (2015) and the European University Institute (2017), as well as a visiting postdoctoral researcher at the Europa Institute in Leiden (2019) and the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law in Heidelberg (2020). In addition to academic publications, he has also provided expert opinions to the Finnish Parliament's Constitutional Law Committee and the Grand Committee (the committee dealing with EU affairs) on issues related to the development of Economic and Monetary Union (EMU). His research focuses mainly on EMU law and comparative constitutional law.



Renáta Uitz

Renáta Uitz is professor of comparative constitution law at the Central European University (CEU) in Vienna and a research affiliate at CEU's Democracy Institute in Budapest.

Her current work focuses on constitutionalism and the rule of law in the wake of illiberal political practices. She is a PI in the Jean Monnet Network BRIDGE. At CEU's Democracy Institute she is about to start a new collaborative research project entitled "Towards Illiberal Constitutionalism in East Central Europe", funded by the Volkswagen Foundation. Most recently she co-edited *Routledge Handbook of Illiberalism* (forthcoming).



Armin von Bogdandy

Armin von Bogdandy has been Director at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law in Heidelberg since 2002. He studied law and philosophy before obtaining a PhD in Freiburg (1988) and qualifying as a professor at Freie Universität Berlin (1996). He was President of the OECD Nuclear Energy Tribunal (2006-2014) as well as a member of the German Science Council (Wissenschaftsrat) (2005-2008) and the Scientific Committee of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (2008- 2013). He has held visiting positions at the NYU School of Law, the European University Institute, the Xiamen Academy of International Law, and the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, among others. Mr von Bogdandy is the recipient of the Leibniz Prize (2014), the prize for outstanding scientific achievements in the field of legal and economic foundations of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences, the Premio Internacional “Hector Fix Zamudio” of the Universidad Autónoma de México (2015), and the “Mazo” (gavel) of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (2015). He has been awarded Doctor Honoris Causa from Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest (2020), Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, Argentina (2020/21) and Universidad Nacional de Tucumán, Argentina (2017). His research centres on the structural changes affecting public law, be they theoretical, doctrinal, or practical.



Rhoda Weeks-Brown,

Rhoda Weeks-Brown is General Counsel and Director of the Legal Department of the IMF. She advises the IMF's Executive Board, management, staff and member countries on all legal aspects of the IMF's operations, including its lending, regulatory and advisory functions. During her career at the IMF, she has led the Legal Department's work on a wide range of significant policy and country matters. She has also lectured and written articles and many IMF Board papers on all aspects of the law of the IMF and co-taught a Tulane University seminar on that topic.

Ms Weeks-Brown also served as Deputy Director in the IMF's Communications Department, where she led IMF communications and outreach in Africa, Asia and Europe; played a key role in the transformation of the IMF's communications strategy; and led IMF strategic communications on key legal and policy topics.

Ms Weeks-Brown has a JD from Harvard Law School and a BA in Economics (summa cum laude) from Howard University. Before joining the IMF, she worked in Skadden's Washington DC office. She is member of the Bar in New York, Massachusetts and the District of Columbia and a member of the Supreme Court Bar. She is also a member of the Committee on International Monetary Law of the International Law Association (MOCOMILA) and a member of the Consultative Group for the Sovereign Debt Forum. Ms Weeks-Brown serves on the Boards of TalentNomics, Inc., a non-profit organisation focused on developing women leaders globally, and Results for America, a non-profit organisation working to improve outcomes for communities through results-driven social programmes. She was named one of the top 27 Global General Counsels (2020) by the Financial Times, and one of the top five General Counsels in the area of promoting ethical standards.



Diana Wilson Patrick

Diana Wilson Patrick is the General Counsel of the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB), a multilateral development financing institution based in Barbados providing development finance to 19 borrowing members in the English, French and Dutch-speaking Caribbean. As the CDB's chief legal advisor and a member of the Executive Management, she provides legal support in all areas of the CDB's work, including promoting private and public investment in the Caribbean region and mobilising financial resources from within and outside the region for the CDB's lending programme.

Ms Wilson Patrick is a graduate of the University of Bristol, England, and a member of Lincoln's Inn (called to the Bar – 1987). She has also been admitted to the Roll of Solicitors of England and Wales and is admitted to practise in Jamaica, Barbados, Trinidad and Tobago and Guyana.

Prior to joining the CDB, Ms Wilson Patrick was a partner in the regional law firm Lex Caribbean, where her primary practice was corporate finance, capital markets and mergers and acquisitions.

Ms Wilson Patrick has been a speaker at a number of industry events and has written for several journals, including co-authoring several editions of *The Euromoney Emerging Markets Handbook*.



Ineta Ziemele

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Ms Ziemele began her professional career as a parliamentary assistant at the Latvian Parliament from 1990 to 1992, before working as a consultant to the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Republic of Latvia from 1992 to 1995. She was appointed as an adviser to the Prime Minister of Latvia in 1995, and then held the same position at the Directorate General of Human Rights of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg from 1999 to 2001.

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