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Program

Workshop organized by Professor Tomasz T. Koncewicz on behalf of the University of Gdańsk RECONNECT Work Package 7 Team

9.00 – 9.20 am
Welcome Addresses

Professor Wojciech Zalewski, Dean of the Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Gdańsk
Professor Tomasz Tadeusz Koncewicz, University of Gdańsk, Principal Investigator, RECONNECT
Judge Małgorzata Przybylska - Lewandowska, President of the Gdańsk branch of the Polish Judges Association IUSTITIA

9.20 – 9.35 am

How and Why does RECONNECT matter?
Professor Jan Wouters, University of Leuven, Coordinator, RECONNECT

9.35 – 10.00 am

Key - note speech
Professor Tomasz Widlak, University of Gdańsk
The Judicial Virtues and the Rule of Law

Session One 10.00 am – 11.15 am Setting the Scene

Moderator: Professor Stanisław Biernat, Former Vice President of the Polish Constitutional Court
10.00 – 10.15 am

Professor Dimitry Kochenov, Democracy Institute, Central European University
The Crisis of Values and the European Union: still paddling together?

10.15 – 10.30 am

Professor Laurent Pech, Middlesex University, RECONNECT
Introducing the Grand Rule of Law Debate

10.30 – 10.45 am

Professor Petra Bard, Democracy Institute, Central European University
Rule of law backsliding. A stress test for mutual trust

10.45 – 11.15 am

Discussion

Coffee break

11.15 – 11.45 am

Session Two 11.45 am – 12.50 pm Introducing the Players

Moderator: Professor Emeritus Zdzisław Brodecki, University of Gdańsk, RECONNECT

11.45 – 12.00 pm

Professor Tomasz Tadeusz Koncewicz, University of Gdańsk, RECONNECT
The existential jurisprudence in the defense of the European First Principles.
A view from Kirchberg

12.00 – 12.15 pm

Dr Marcin Szwed, Strategic Litigation Program, Helsinki Foundation of Human Rights
European Court of Human Rights: Waiting for the right case(s)?

12.15 – 12.30 pm

dr hab. Maciej Taborowski, Deputy Commissioner for Human Rights
Polish Judges going to Luxembourg. EU law as a shield?

12.30 – 12.50 pm

Discussion

Coffee break

12.50 – 1.00 pm

Session Three

1.00 pm – 3.30 pm

Navigating the Battlefield

1.00 – 1.20 pm

Professor Mirosław Wyrzykowski, University of Warsaw, Former Judge of the Polish Constitutional Court
Promise and Reality of the Rule of Law in Poland 1989 – 2020 and beyond

1.20 – 2.30 pm

Judicial Panel

The rule of law in my courtroom
Let the judges speak up!

Moderator: Dr Marcin Michałak, University of Gdańsk, RECONNECT

Panelists: Judge Dorota Zabłudowska, Judge Włodzimierz Brazewicz, Judge Joanna Hetnarowicz - Sikora, Judge dr Dagmara Dominik - Ogińska

2.30 – 3.15 pm

Discussion

3.15 – 3.30 pm

Concluding Remarks



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