

Brussels week in European labour law

23 February 2009 – 26 February 2009

Organised by the
Jean Monnet Chair in European Labour Law (UvTilburg)

In cooperation with
**The European Foundation for Living and Working Conditions,
KULeuven, Lessius and
the Royal Flemish Academy of Belgium for Sciences and Arts**

Venue:

**Royal Flemish Academy of Belgium for Sciences and Arts
Stevin Room (1st floor)
Paleis der Academiën
Hertogsstraat 1
1000 Brussels**

Introduction

The “Brussels week” in European labour law is organized by the *Jean Monnet Chair in European Labour Law* and is now open for registration. The week is designed for students, researchers and practitioners with a broad interest in European labour affairs and gives a deep insight into current issues of European labour law and social policy, in the heart of Europe. The venue is the Royal Flemish Academy for Sciences and Arts, close to the EU institutions (directions: <http://www.kvab.be/praktisch.aspx>)

The participation fee is 50 Euro per person for the four days (covering costs for the meeting room and administration). Participants who have attended the week will receive a Certificate of Attendance.

For information about registration, please contact Prof. F. Hendrickx at the following e-mail address: F.Hendrickx@uvt.nl or Frank.Hendrickx@law.kuleuven.be

The participation fee does not include food or accommodation, but a number of rooms in an excellent youth hostel in the centre of Brussels (“Génération Europe”: http://www.laj.be/html/en/hostels/europe/aubergeseurope_en01.htm) have been reserved for a pre-negotiated price. If you need a room, please contact Mrs. Marjolein Kuijpers at: m.m.v.kuijpers@uvt.nl (Tilburg University, Postbox 90153, 5000 LE Tilburg, NL).

Provisional programme

Monday, 23 February 2009:

Presided by Prof. Frank Hendrickx, Tilburg University & KULeuven

- 10:00 – 10:15 Introduction
Prof. Dr. Frank Hendrickx, Jean Monnet Professor in European labour law
- 10:15 – 11:00 Trade unions and the coordination of collective bargaining in Europe
Prof. Dr. Valeria Pulignano, KULeuven
- 11:00 – 11:15 *Break*
- 11:15 – 12:30 The European Union and the ILO: partners in globalisation
Mr. Rudi Delarue, Director, Brussels Office ILO
- 12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch Break*
- 14:00 – 17:00 Visit to the European Commission, DG Employment and Social Affairs
Mrs. Marjolein Kuijpers, Tilburg University

Tuesday, 24 February 2009:

Presided by Prof. Roger Blanpain, Tilburg University & KULeuven

- 10:00 – 11:00 The future of labour law in Europe
Prof. Dr. Roger Blanpain (Tilburg University, KULeuven)
- 11:00 – 11:15 *Break*
- 11:15 – 12:30 Strictness of employment protection legislation
Ms. Heejung Chung, ReflecT, Tilburg University
- 12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch Break*
- 14:30 – 16:00 Visit to the European Trade Union Institute, with a presentation of the ETUI and a lecture of **Dr. Maarten Keune** (ETUI) on “The EU and the Social Dimension of Globalisation”

Wednesday, 25 February 2009

Presided by Prof. Frank Hendrickx, Tilburg University & KULeuven

- 10:00 – 11:00 ILO standards and social security
Mrs. Maria Korda, Tilburg University
- 11:00 – 11:15 *Break*
- 11:15 – 12:30 Demographic trends in Europe and pension schemes
Mr. Fritz Von Nordheim, European Commission DG EMPL
- 12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30 – 16:00 Visit to the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union
Mrs. Marjolein Kuijpers, Tilburg University

Thursday, 26 February 2009

Presided by Prof. Roger Blanpain, Tilburg University & KULeuven

10:00 – 12:00 *The European Foundation for Living and Working Conditions – presentation of research:*
European works councils councils and restructuring
Temporary agency work and collective bargaining
Dr. Christian Welz, Research Manager, Industrial Relations and Workplace Developments Unit, Eurofound

12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch*

13:30 – 14:30 The development of flexicurity in Europe
Ms. Sonja Bekker, Reflect, Tilburg University

14:30 – 15:30 The Lisbon Agenda and European social policy
Mr. E. Holthuis, European Commission DG EMPL

15:30 – 16:00 Closing
Prof. Dr. Frank Hendrickx

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Registers for the Brussels week (23 – 26 February 2009) at the price of 50 Euro.

SIGNATURE:

This registration form can be handed in at the Department of Social Law (Tilburg University, Room M312), or at the Secretariat of the Lessius University College (Campus Carolus), or at the office of Prof. Hendrickx, 5th floor, New Building, Collegium Falconis, Leuven), or sent to the address below.

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- The amount of 50 Euro should be either :
- paid in cash to the Department of Social Law, Tilburg University, Room M312;
 - transferred into account number 431-0684671-15 of VSIS, Klein Dalenstraat 46, B-3020 Herent, mentioning "BRUSSELS 2009". Please pay **immediately**. You are only registered after payment has taken place.