



THE UCLAN CYPRUS SCHOOL OF LAW ANNUAL REVIEW 2018-2019



ANNUAL REVIEW

The School of Law of UCLan Cyprus was founded in 2012. Since then, its academics have done so much more than teach the prescribed formal syllabus to their students. They have provided students with an intellectually deep yet rounded education. This education has combined academic knowledge and theory with vivid insights into the ethical standards of conduct required to be a professional, the realities of day-to-day legal practice and the problems afflicting the world, be they legal or non-legal.

In practice, the persons providing these insights have included guest speakers and associates who have kindly delivered lectures or participated in other events held on the Campus of UCLan Cyprus or elsewhere. Such speakers have included serving or retired judges, members of the legal profession, members of other professions, academics, company directors, diplomats, serving and former ministers, constitutional office holders and other public servants.

As a consequence of this interaction with guest speakers and associates, every law graduate of UCLan Cyprus has left the University with a much wider body of knowledge and skills than the one provided by the syllabus, good though that is. This Review throws a spotlight onto the main extra-curricular and co-curricular events organised or co-organised by the School of Law during the 2018-19 academic year. This was a particularly busy year, whose highlights have been recorded in the pages which follow.

Without doubt, the main highlight of the 2018-19 academic year was the visit of the Honourable Professor Koen Lenaerts, the President of the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU), accompanied by the three Cypriot judges to the CJEU, namely the Honourable Judge Constantinos Lycourgos, Judge at the Court of Justice, the Honourable Judge Savvas Papasavvas, Judge and now Vice-President of the General Court and the Honourable Judge Anna Marcoulli, Judge at the General Court. Not only did President Lenaerts give a Public Lecture co-organised by UCLan Cyprus in Nicosia on 15 April 2019. On the following day, he paid a visit to UCLan Cyprus where he led a roundtable discussion specifically aimed at law students. The President thereafter provided transcripts of his spoken remarks – now published on the website of UCLan Cyprus – for the benefit of everyone around the world, including any student unable to attend his lecture or roundtable presentation, plus future generations of students.

FURTHER INFORMATION

To view the press release regarding the visit of President Lenaerts, visit:
<https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/public-lecture-and-visit-to-uclan-cyprus-by-professor-koen-lenaerts-president-of-the-court-of-justice-of-the-eu/>

To read the official transcript of the public lecture delivered by President Lenaerts on 15 April 2019, visit:
https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/15_04_2019_The-EU-Charter-of-Fundamental-Rights-in-the-Member-States-2.pdf

To read the official transcript of the address delivered by President Lenaerts at the Roundtable discussion held on 16 April 2019, visit:
https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/16_04_2019_The-role-of-the-ECJ-in-enhancing-data-protection-in-the-EU-1.pdf

To view a film of the address delivered by President Lenaerts at the Roundtable discussion held on 16 April 2019, visit:
<https://vls.uclan.ac.uk/Play/41315>

Public Lecture by President Lenaerts



Other highlights

Of the 2018/19 academic year



An academic-led group visit to Auschwitz and Birkenau Concentration Camps



The Annual Lecture, which, by tradition, is delivered at the Annual Dinner



The UCLan Cyprus School of Law Mooting Final



The MED-MID 12th Mediterranean Middle East Conference





The UCLan Cyprus School of Law 2nd Roundtable of Experts on 'The Rule of Law and 'Backsliding' in the European Union'



The 3rd Annual Model United Nations



The Round Table on the results of the European Parliament Elections



The Postgraduate Law Conference for PhD students and research scholars.

A more complete list of events can be found in the **Annex** of this Annual Review.

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In addition to the President of the Court of Justice of the European Union, other prominent persons to have helped enrich the education of students of UCLan Cyprus included the Honourable Mr Justice Myron Nicolatos, the President of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Cyprus, and (in alphabetical order): the Honourable Judge George Arestis (Ret'd), former Judge of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Cyprus, of the CJEU and Honorary Fellow, School of Law, UCLan Cyprus; His Excellency Dr Nicos Christodoulides, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus; His Honour Judge Marc Dight CBE of the Judiciary of England and Wales; the Honourable Dr Akis Hadjihambis, former President of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Cyprus and Honorary Fellow, School of Law, UCLan Cyprus; Deputy Senior District Judge (Chief Magistrate) Tan Ikram of the Judiciary of England and Wales; George Kampanella, Solicitor and Partner, Bivonas Law LLP, in London; Mr Andreas Kettis, Head of the European Parliament in the Republic of Cyprus; Dr Erato Kozakou-Markoullis, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus; the Honourable Judge George Nicolaou (Ret'd), former Judge of the European Court of Human Rights; the Honourable Judge Constantinos Lycourgos, Judge of the CJEU; Pavlos Panayi QC of Seven Bedford Row in London; Mr Mauro Rubino-Sammartano, President of the European Court of Arbitration; Professor Vasilios Skouris, former President of the CJEU; Senior District Judge Stalo Tsivitanidou-Kizi of Larnaca District Court; and a long list of prominent academics hailing from all over the world including the UK, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Denmark, Norway, Greece, the UAE and Australia.

With the kind help of these and other guests, the School of Law consciously tried to expose its students to the Law of England and Wales, the Law of the Republic of Cyprus, the Law of the European Union and Public International Law. In so doing, the School of Law not only enabled its students to grasp the inter-action between these disparate and sometimes overlapping areas of law. Furthermore, the School of Law widened the horizons of its students by showing them that, in principle, they are capable of pursuing a career within or beyond the legal profession in England and Wales, the Republic of Cyprus and elsewhere, including other parts of the Commonwealth and European Union.

No less importantly, the School of Law consciously tried to expose its students to academic disciplines, which inter-relate with but are nonetheless separate from Law. Such disciplines include (in alphabetical order): Business Studies, Economics, History, International Relations, Philosophy and Politics.

During the 2018/2019 academic year, the School of Law likewise organised or co-organised events with an overtly inter-disciplinary character. A good example is the series of lectures co-organised with the Bar Associations of Larnaka/Famagusta, Limassol and Paphos respectively and delivered by the Honourable Dr Akis Hadjihambis (Ret'd), the former President of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Cyprus and Honorary Fellow, School of Law, UCLan Cyprus. Dr Hadjihambis examined subjects of enormous relevance to legal education and the legal profession, such as ethics.

The events described in this Review were not only beneficial for students. Several also contributed to the formal or informal Continuing Professional Development (CPD), Personal Development (PD) or other self-managed learning or development needs of academics, members of the legal profession, members of other professions and ordinary members of the public. More broadly, the events enabled the School of Law to engage in public education – by promoting the rule of law, explaining the meaning of democratic values, fostering respect for human dignity and fulfilling other moral duties to wider society.

The School of Law also helped the business, financial and legal sectors by organising events, which highlighted the inter-linkages between them. A good example is the Symposium organised by the School of Law under the auspices of Mrs Natasa Pilides, the Deputy Minister for Shipping in the Republic of Cyprus. The Symposium, which was held in Limassol on 31 January 2019, focused on the modern challenges confronting shipping, its legal and financial framework and structural reforms. Among the speakers was Mr Marios Demetriades, the Managing Partner of MD Mindset Consulting and former Minister of Transport, Communications and Works in the Republic of Cyprus. The event was generously sponsored by the Hellenic Bank Shipping.

Details regarding this event are available via the hyperlinks set out below.

- Announcement:
<https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/invitation-to-a-symposium/>
- Invitation:
https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Symposium2018_final-1.pdf
- Programme:
<https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Symposium-Programme-1.pdf>
- Press release (in Greek):
<https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/symposio-naytilias-kai-ypografi-mnim/>

Against this background, the School of Law has established its own Law Academy dedicated to providing CPD courses and other forms of executive education aimed at the private and public sectors of the Republic of Cyprus, the Eastern Mediterranean, the Middle East, South-East Europe, the United Kingdom and the wider world. For this and for other reasons, the Cyprus Bar Association accredited some of the events listed in this Review as CPD courses for the benefit of its members. Other events may have contributed to the formal or informal CPD, Personal Development (PD) or other self-managed learning and development needs of attendees.

For more information on the Law Academy, please view

<https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/short-course/law-academy/>



The School of Law is indebted to all of the persons named in this Review, all academics of the School, to the student Law Society of UCLan Cyprus, to colleagues at UCLan UK and to everybody else who has directly or indirectly contributed to the education of its students. These include the many members of staff in UCLan Cyprus and at external venues who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes to provide security, administrative and marketing support, catering, cleaning services and other essential services.

At the outset of 2020, we wish you all a happy, prosperous and healthy New Year.

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