

ROUNDTABLE OF EXPERTS

PROMOTING & PROTECTING SOCIO-ECONOMIC RIGHTS IN TIMES OF CRISIS IN EUROPE

The School of Law of UCLan Cyprus is pleased to announce an upcoming roundtable on social and economic rights in times of crisis which will take place on the **2nd March 2018 at 17:00 in Nicosia.**

The aim of the roundtable is to bring judges of the national and supranational legal order and academics together to discuss the status of socio-economic rights in times of crises and methods that can be implemented to ensure the sustainable enjoyment of such rights. It seeks to provide an in-depth understanding of where socio-economic rights stand in the current financial crisis in the EU and within the framework of Member States. It will also consider the impact of the deterioration of socio-economic rights on a micro (individual), meso (group - such as vulnerable groups) and macro (societal) level. The focus will be to move beyond a theoretical conceptualisation to a practical analysis of themes such as the substance of socio-economic rights, their application within the EU and new paradigms of reconceptualising this application. We are also pleased to announce that the former MEP, Ms. Barbara Weiler, will be a discussant for the presentations.

The event is open to judges, academics and researchers.

There is no participation fee.

Location: Cleopatra Hotel, Nicosia

Time: 17:00-20:30 (including reception)

PROGRAMME

Chair:

Professor Stéphanie Laulhé Shaelou

Head of School of Law, Professor of European Law & Reform at UCLan Cyprus

4:30pm

Registration opens. Coffee available.

5:00pm

Opening, **Hon. Judge Myronas Nikolatos**
President of the Supreme Court of Cyprus

5:10pm- 6:45pm

Presentations by:

Judge Akis Hadjihambis (ret'd)

Former President of the Supreme Court of Cyprus,
'The role and protection of socio-economic rights in the Cyprus Constitution.'

Hon. Judge Anna Marcoulli

General Court of the European Union,
'Recent developments in the case-law of the Court of Justice of the European Union on the protection of socio-economic rights in times of crisis: limits and challenges.'

Hon. Judge Georgios Sergides

European Court of Human Rights,
'Social and economic rights under the European Convention on Human Rights and their Protection in Times of Crisis.'

Dr. Natalie Alkiviadou

Lecturer in EU and Human Rights Law, School of Law UCLan Cyprus,
'The protection of social and economic rights in times of crisis: Towards a sustainable approach.'

6:45pm - 8:00pm:

Discussion by and Open forum:

Barbara Weiler

Former Member of the European Parliament

Judge George Arestis (ret'd)

Former judge at the European Court of Justice and at the Supreme Court of Cyprus

Open forum where participants can actively engage

8:00pm - 8:30pm: Reception