**INSOL EUROPE ACADEMIC FORUM CONFERENCE**

**AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS**

**11 and 12 October 2023**

**Draft Programme as at 21 July 2023**

**Wednesday 11 October 2023**

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| 12:00 – 13:15 | **Registration & Welcome Lunch** |
| 13.15 – 13:30 | ***Welcome Address*, Rodrigo Rodriguez** |
| 13:30 – 15:00 | **Session One – The Ever-Evolving Landscape of Preventive Restructuring**  **Session Chair: *Rodrigo Rodriguez*** |
|  | *Absolute Priority Rule Dilemmas - Case of Slovenia -* Jaka Cepek  *Effectiveness of Discharge of Debt of Entrepreneurs under the EU Law -* Remigijus Jokubauskas  *The Preventive Restructuring Directive and National Choices of Priority Rules: Sparking Convergence or Entrenching Past Approaches? -* Sjur Swensen Ellingsæter |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | Coffee break |
| 15:30 – 17:00 | **Session Two – Softer Sides of Corporate Rescue: A Closer Look at Social Fairness and Public Interest**  **Session Chair: *Gert-Jan Boon*** |
|  | *The Socio-legal Obstacles to the Rescue Culture -* Emilie Ghio & Donald Thomson  *Par Conditio Omnium Creditorum – Is it Just a Legend? -* Eleni Moustaira  *Securities Dominance – Once and Forever? -* Paul J Omar & Christoph Paulus |
| 17:00 – 18:00 | **The Gabriel Moss Memorial Lecture** |
|  | *As the Wheel Turns: On Paradigm Shift and New Dynamics in Europe* - B. Wessels |
| 18:30 – 19:30 | **Reception** |
| 19:30 – late | **Academic Dinner** |

**Thursday 12 October 2023**

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| 08:30 – 09:00 | **Retrieval Registration / Morning Coffee** |
| 09:00 – 10:30 | **Session Three – Harmonisation and Coordination in Cross-Border Insolvency and Restructuring**  **Session Chair: *Rolef de Weijs*** |
|  | *The Jam in the Sandwich ― the EIR’s Strengths and Shortcomings in a Crypto-asset Market -* Paula Moffatt & Dominik Skauradszun  *Treatment of Intellectual Property Rights - Trademarks - in Cross-border Insolvency. Protection and Harmonisation through Supranational Statutory Mechanisms and EUIPO Best Practices* - Nicoleta Mirela Nastasie  *Definition of Insolvency* -Michael Veder, Ben Schuijling, & Reinhard Bork |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee Break |
| 11:00 – 12:30 | **Session Four – Modern Issues Affecting Corporate Insolvency**  **Session Chair: *Jessica Schmidt*** |
|  | *A Principled Approach towards the Disclaimer of Environmental Liabilities: Lessons from Europe (and the Rest of the World) -* Eugenio Vaccari & David Ehmke  *A Sustainable Approach to Insolvency Law. Insights from EU Law and the Italian Model of WBOs -* Giulia Pancioli  *ESG Opportunities in Pre-bankruptcy and Corporate Restructuring: A Comparative Study of the US and the EU Approaches -* Lidija Šimunović (co-authored with Christoph Henkel) |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | **Lunch** |
| 13:30 – 15:00 | **Session Five – Asset Tracing and Transaction Avoidance**  **Session Chair: *Eugenio Vaccari*** |
|  | *Tracing and Attaching Bank Accounts in EU Cross-border Insolvency Proceedings -* Antonio Leandro  *Ukraine vs UK: Limitation Period for Transaction Avoidance: (Un)limiting the Possibilities of Asset Recovery in Insolvency? -* Olha Stajheyeva-Bogovyk  *Distressed Financing and Transaction Avoidance -* Marko Bratković & Antun Bilić |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | Coffee Break |
| 15:30 – 17:00 | **Session Six – Edwin Coe Practitioners Forum: The Changing Paradigm of Director’ Duties**  **Session Chair: *Jennifer Gant*** |
|  | *The Bankruptcy Rush: Rethinking Director Duties in Crisis -* Adi Marcovich Gross  *Between Rescue Culture and Creditor Protection: Current and Possible (Future) European Rules on Directors’ Liability in the Vicinity of Insolvency -* Borko Mihajlović  *The Purpose of Directors’ Duties in the Insolvency Context – a Critical Assessment Based on Empirical Data from Austria and the Netherlands -* Jessie Pool & Georg Wabl  *Harmonization of the Directors´ Duty to Initiate Insolvency Proceedings? -* Anna Zemandlová |
| 17:00 – 17:15 | ***Closing Address -* Rodrigo Rodriguez / Jennifer Gant** |