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**NEWS FROM THE MONTENEGRO EU AND LEGAL REFORM SUMMER SCHOOL**





## Editor's Note:



*Thanks to the passion of the organizers and to the generosity of past and present donors, the EU and Legal Reform Summer School celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Over the past ten years, approximately 300 students and 20 faculty members from various European countries have discussed, during the week-long program, the constitutional implications of European Union enlargement, the changes needed in candidate countries for future entry into the EU as well as the lessons learnt from the founding members of the EEC and some legal mechanisms that must be modified in the so-called "consolidated democracies." This publication aims at celebrating the School's accomplishments and honoring the close-knit alumni network of young European jurists that it has created. These accomplishments would not have been possible without the generous support of our donors, to which we express our profound gratitude and which we would like to celebrate in the following pages.*

*Hoping this 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be the first of many that we will celebrate together, we thank you for your appreciation and support!*

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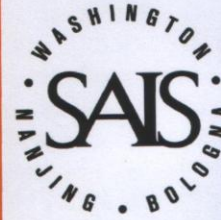
## Center for Constitutional Studies and Democratic Development (CCSDD)



*The Center for Constitutional Studies and Democratic Development (CCSDD) is an international center that carries out research and training related to countries undergoing a transition to democracy. Through conferences, workshops, publications, study trips and film screenings the CCSDD addresses issues of civil society development and legal reform.*

*Current projects include the "European Union and Legal Reform" Summer School, the Sarajevo Study Trip, the CCSDD Lecture Series and related publications as well as several research projects on constitutional transitions and democratic development.*

*The CCSDD is a partnership between the Faculty of Law of the University of Bologna and the Johns Hopkins University's Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) Bologna Center. The Faculty of Law of the University of Bologna, which is Europe's oldest university (established in 1088), boasts a long-standing, prestigious tradition in both teaching and research activity. The SAIS Bologna Center, established in 1955, trains students to enter the fields of diplomatic and government service, non-profit organizations and the private sector.*





## Overview of the Summer School Program

*The Summer School brings together students and academics from various European countries, including Western Balkans. During the Summer School, students and faculty discuss the constitutional implications of EU enlargement and the lessons that can be learnt from the founding members of the European Economic Community (EEC) as well as the reforms that need to be implemented in what are often termed as "consolidated democracies".*



*Organized for the first time in 2003 the European Union and Legal Reform Summer School takes place in Igalo (Herzeg-Novi), Montenegro, which is located at a strategic and attractive geographic area between the highest mountain of the Dinara massive, Orjen (1,895 m) and the entrance of one of the most beautiful bays in the world, the Bay of Kotor (Boka Kotorska) Igalo.*

*This program has successfully survived financial adversities thanks to the passion and stamina of the Directors of the Summer School, Justin Frosini and Stevan Lilic, who never once gave up on the idea of enhancing the dialogue and the exchange of experiences regarding constitutional law and public policies among people coming from Eastern Europe, the Balkans and Western Europe.*

*In particular, the Summer School focuses on enlargement due to the fact that in 2004 ten new member states entered the European Union. The enlargement itself has represented a chance to evaluate the goals already achieved and to identify what new challenges will come at EU level, but has also influenced the basic idea underlying the Summer School. The Balkans represent a key area for the future enlargement of the EU. While enlargement is the core issue of the European Union and Legal Reform Summer School, every year the CCSDD puts together an innovative series of lectures to address topics that fit the interests of selected participants and, at the same time, the above-mentioned goals of the Summer School.*

*As an official Summer School of the University of Bologna, it assigned 7 European ECTS credits to participants who successfully completed the course.*



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SUMMER SCHOOL PERMITS  
STUDENTS TO ATTEND THE  
PROGRAM:

*"It is thanks to your kind donation that I have the chance to share ideas and experiences with bright people from countries, which are experiencing similar developments today. Thank you!"*  
Eglė Deltuvaitė, Lithuania

*"Thank you for providing me with a scholarship, which gave me the opportunity to develop and thrive academically in regard to the European legal trends and foster friendships with hard-working and inspiring young people from all parts of the European continent."*  
Amar Čausević, Bosnia and Herzegovina



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**Without the general support of our donors, the Summer School would not be possible. From the very inception of the program, the financial contributions of the Central European Initiative and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund allowed us to jump start the project. The Law Faculties of both the University of Bologna and the University of Belgrade have also demonstrated continued support for this project. Carisbo, Robert Abernethy, the Initiative of the Class of 1992, and Coordinamento Adriatico are currently our most valuable financial contributors. The Summer School is organized under the auspices of the Italian Embassy.**

**These financial contributions are allocated towards funding students' scholarships so as to allow the most deserving and competitive young leaders to participate in the Summer School, regardless of their financial standing.**

**Each contribution covers a single student's expenses in their entirety and goes toward his/her academic and living costs while taking part in the program. This is why your contributions are invaluable to continuing the program in the same spirit of excellence and inclusiveness.**





## FACULTY AND STAFF

### Bill Bowring



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### Susanna Mancini



Susanna Mancini is Associate professor of comparative public law at the University of Bologna and Adjunct professor of International Law. A Fernand Braudel Senior Fellow at the European University Institute, Prof. Mancini was a Visiting Professor at Central European University, Budapest and Floersheimer fellow and Visiting Professor at B. Cardozo Law School, New York City. Susanna Mancini is a member of the Executive Committee of the International Association of Constitutional Law and a member of the Center for Constitutional Studies and Democratic Development (CCSDD).

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### Faculty in the Spotlight

#### Oreste Pollicino



In my experience, the Montenegro Summer School students enjoy the possibility to benefit from a very stimulating environment in which the rule of fostering an active interaction during the lectures "forces" them to build a critical approach in the discussions and to be able to motivate their statements in a convincing way. A praxis that is unfortunately not followed by the majority of the Law Faculties in (Continental) Europe. In other words, the teaching methodology at the Montenegro Summer School represents a real intellectual challenge not only for the students, but also for the instructors.





## Steven Lilic



Steven Lilic serves as the CCSDD's lead faculty partner in the European Union Legal Reform Program. Dr. Lilic received his PhD in Law from the University of Belgrade and became Full Professor in 1997. He is the president of the Lawyers for Democracy and the Legal Informatics Society and a member of the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights (YUCOM), the World Jurist Association, and the Balkan Network Against Torture (BAN). Dr. Lilic was a member of the Serbian parliament from 2001 to 2003, and has held positions on the Constitutional Committee the Committee for Foreign Relations. He is a founding member of the Center for Anti-War Action and the Helsinki Committee for Human Rights in Serbia.

# MEET OUR

***Q: Dr. Lilic, what do you see as the most important aspect of the summer school?***

**A:** The most important aspect of the Igalo Summer School is its contribution to the legal reform processes throughout the Western Balkans. Over the past ten years, more than two hundred students have participated in the school, many of them coming from the region. It was an opportunity for students to meet prominent lecturers and to critically examine contemporary features of the European Law and legal transformation of the Western Balkans.

***Q: What do you think is the impact of the Summer School in expanding the participants' knowledge on EU law practices and contributing to overall EU integration of the Balkan region?***

**A:** From the onset, the Igalo Summer School aimed at attracting top class students from all over the Europe, with focus on the most talented participants from the region. Although at the beginning of their professional life, many of them demonstrate a high level of dedication to social and legal change. We presume that many of our alumni will be future decision makers and scholars in the region.

***Q: How does the summer school expand the participants' professional network and help them in their future career endeavors?***

**A:** With a high level of applications each year, we have always longed to bring a variety of participants. Every year, they form an interesting group of future professionals able to generate discussion on most significant issues of the time. With a relaxed atmosphere of a Mediterranean seaside resort, participants are able to make close connections that will contribute to their career development and future endeavors.

***Q: What is your opinion on the current political and legal developments in Southeastern Europe? What are the most pressing issues?***

**A:** The region has undergone major changes after the conflicts of 1990s. The countries of the region are dedicated to European integration processes and membership to the European Union and take necessary steps to harmonize their legislation with the European acquis. However, implementation of new standards and institution building need to be seriously upgraded throughout the region. The economic and Euro zone crisis can have affect in the context of enlargement fatigue. The goal and mission of Igalo Summer School is to help prepare as many young lawyers, political scientists and those coming from other disciplines to competently contribute to better understanding, mutual confidence and adherence to the rule of law in context of the Western Balkans European integration and legal reform.



# CO-DIRECTORS

**Q: Dr. Frosini, what do you see as the most important aspect of the summer school?**

**A:** First of all, this is a really good collaboration between the “East” and the “West”: we have created a true cooperation between the CCSDD and the University of Belgrade. Second, there is a lot of very positive intermingling between students. Bringing the younger generation together for a week in one place is an excellent opportunity to exchange ideas – in other words a cultural cross-fertilization. People coming from Western Europe become more aware of the situation in Central-Eastern Europe and the Balkans while students from the Balkans become more aware of the functioning of European institutions and the European integration process. Another important aspect of the summer school is, of course, that students enjoy a week together at the seaside!

**Q: What do you think is the impact of the Summer School in expanding the participants’ knowledge on EU law practices and contributing to overall EU integration of the Balkan region?**

**A:** Working with people and classmates from all over Europe is a very important element. We have also tried to involve experts of EU and constitutional law in the program as it is important to underline that our summer school deals with EU law from a constitutional standpoint, therefore paying special attention to the institutional framework and the protection of human rights analyzed within the EU, but also in the larger context of the Council of Europe. I have seen an improvement in the level of the students’ understanding of EU law. A good demonstration of this is that in 2010 we started publishing a collection of selected essays authored by participants of the Summer School.

**Q: How does the summer school expand the participants’ professional network and help them in their future career endeavors?**

**A:** Throughout the years CCSDD has made an effort to strengthen the summer school alumni network so as to ease future exchange and collaborations. More specifically, the summer school has become the occasion to share opportunities and support willing students’ careers. One example is Marko Milenkovic, who took part in the summer school first as a student then came back as a junior member of the faculty and is now an Erasmus Mundus student at the University of Bologna under the supervision of one of Italy’s leading experts in EU law, Prof. Lucia Serena Rossi. Another student, Jelena Jovicic, after attending the Summer School, decided to apply for an exchange program with the University of Trieste and is now completing a PhD in Comparative Public Law and EU Law at the University of Udine.

**Q: What is your opinion on the current political and legal developments in Southeastern Europe? What are the most pressing issues?**

**A:** Pressing issues do not only concern the Balkans or Eastern Europe, but the EU as a whole. When we started the summer school in 2003, before the so-called ‘big enlargement’, we were on a wave of enthusiasm. We are now going through integration fatigue. A lot of the developments and improvements in the democratization process in the Balkans, and in particular in the former Yugoslavia, were connected to future membership to the EU. It is true that Croatia just entered the EU, but it is difficult to say where other countries are going, in particular Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosovo. Furthermore, other issues are those related to the work of the International Criminal Court for the Former Yugoslavia in the Hague, and the problem of corruption which needs to be dealt with at some point. However, the latter is a problem common to many other countries, including, unfortunately, Italy itself as a recent report shows.

## Justin Frosini



Justin Frosini is director of the CCSDD and Assistant Professor of Public Law in the Faculty of Economics of the “Luigi Bocconi” University, Milan. Between 2000 and 2004, Frosini was involved in several projects sponsored by the European Union to provide on-line training for judges in Albania, BiH, Croatia, Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia. Prior to beginning his academic career, Frosini was an active politician at a local level, and in 2007 he was elected to the Constituent Assembly of Democratic Party of Emilia-Romagna. Frosini is member of the Istituto De Gasperi.



## 2012: WHERE DID OUR STUDENTS COME FROM?

IN 2012, 23 STUDENTS FROM 11 COUNTRIES TOOK PART:

### Western Europe

Italy 5

### Central Europe

Hungary 3  
Poland 1

### Eastern Europe

Ukraine 3  
Belarus 1

### Baltic States

Estonia 1

### Western Balkans

Albania 1  
Serbia 1  
Slovenia 2  
Croatia 1

### Caucasian Countries

Russia 3

### Extra-European Countries

Azerbaijan 1

### Alumni in the Spotlight

"I improved my knowledge from a more professional side. I gained important knowledge on constitutionalism, EU legislation in the light of Lisbon Treaty, etc."

**Rexhep Bllaca,**  
Director of the Legal Department at Kosovo's Ministry of Trade and Industry

## Diversity of the Student Population

Changes in the student population show that the Summer School has attracted students from a progressively diverse range of countries by combining a high profile faculty body, with an innovative approach to the theme of enlargement of the European Union and a beautiful location.

*The student population has varied over the years thanks to the outreach efforts carried out by the CCSDD and has progressively expanded to:*

- *Western European Countries, and especially to Italy:*

Starting in 2008, the Summer School has witnessed an increase of the number of students coming from Western Europe and, more in general, from top European Universities and institutions (eg. Constitutional Courts) thus showing that the Summer School has progressively consolidated its role as a **higher education program based in Montenegro** carried out in **cooperation with Universities and Research Centers based in Italy**, thus representing a **successful collaboration between these two countries** in the area of Science and Education.

- *Extra European Countries (USA, South Korea, Azerbaijan):*

Recent editions of the Summer School have seen the participation of students coming from Caucasian countries (eg. Armenia, Georgia, etc.), who are especially interested in learning about constitutional law in countries experiencing a transition towards democracy, the European Convention system of protection of human rights and international law for the protection of human rights.



Located on the slopes of Mount Orjen, Igalo is regionally famous for the "DR Simo Milošević" Institute, a Mediterranean themed health spa which formerly attracted many tourists. Though the effects of the Yugoslav Wars limited Igalo's attractiveness as a tourist destination, it nonetheless remains a popular resort for tourists from the surrounding region.

The CCSDD elected it as the Summer School venue due to these very characteristics. Between 2003 and 2013, the CCSDD witnessed the independence of Montenegro and its progress towards European integration. The Summer School has devoted great attention to the constitutional and legal reforms that have occurred in Montenegro over the years, and the CCSDD remains eager to continue this fruitful partnership with the country that is enhancing its relationship with the European Union.

## A Special Relationship With Montenegro

Witnessing the process that will hopefully lead to the accession of Montenegro to the EU represents an important asset for a program which has enlargement as its main focus.

Finally, it should be underlined that Igalo is a strategic location as it enshrines the European Union and Legal Reform Summer School spirit and mission of building bridges between the Montenegrin and Italian Adriatic shores.



## Alumni in the Spotlight



"My most important experience from the summer school is definitely the variety of people I met, with different backgrounds and I have stayed in touch with many of them. Our mutual professional interests will for sure keep us connected both professionally and as friends.

The summer school provided me with the opportunity to gain some fresh views on the topics I was already interested in, but I also got interested in some new topics concerning human rights and constitutionalism. I also enjoyed writing an article for the publication of the Summer School."

**Bisera Turkovic,**  
Program Director of the European Movement in Montenegro





## Class Notes:

### Where are Some of Our Graduates Now?

#### **Class of 2010:**

- **Petar Jordanoski:** Junior expert at Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) in Macedonia

#### **Class of 2009:**

- **Kyrylo Molodyko:** Scientific adviser to the Vice-President of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine
- **Pietro Tesoriero:** Legal officer with the UNHCR in Malta
- **Bojan Gavrilovic:** Lawyer at the Belgrade Centre for Human Rights
- **Andra Roxana Ilie:** Lawyer within the Bucharest Bar and assistant professor at the Faculty of Law of the Bucharest University



#### *Alumni in the Spotlight*



*“Certainly my most memorable experience of the summer school was to hold a presentation before the faculty and my fellow participants. I presented research on the Ratification of the Treaty of the European Union (Lisbon Treaty,) which I carried out as part of my internship at the CCSDD in Summer 2009.*”

*Participating in the Igalo summer school was highly rewarding both on an academic and personal level. The diversity of academic topics covered by an internationally composed faculty was not only intellectually challenging, but also provided me with different points of view and problem solving approaches depending on the academic background and nationality of the faculty member. These skills have proven very useful in my new job as a great deal of comparative analysis is involved. On a personal level the summer school made me cultivate friendships with colleagues from the CCSDD and also form new ones.”*

**Stefan Wieser (Class of 2009)**, Legal officer and Policy adviser at the Austrian Federal Ministry of Finance



## Sample Schedule of the 2012 Summer School in Montenegro:

### **DAY 1: Where is the EU going? (Part 1)**

- European Constitution Quo Vadis?
- Lisbon and the Charter of Fundamental Rights
- Round Table and Case Study



### **DAY 2: Where is the EU going? (Part 2)**

- EU Accession to the ECHR
- The Judicial Treatment of the ECHR and EU Laws:  
The European Dimension
- Round Table and Case Study



### **DAY 3: The Role of the Courts**

- The Judicial Treatment of the ECHR and EU Laws: the Constitutional  
Comparative Dimension
- The Constitutional Court of Montenegro
- Case Study



### **DAY 4: Electoral Management in Transitional Countries**

- Are Electoral Management Bodies a Fundamental Variable of Democratic  
Transitions?
- Electoral Management in Montenegro
- Boat Trip around Igalo



### **DAY 5: Minority Rights Protection**

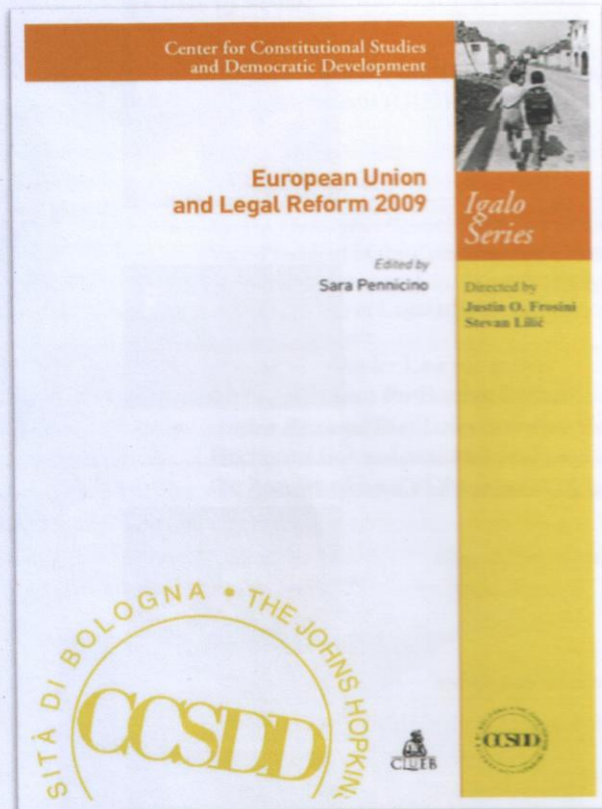
- Copenhagen Criteria and Minority Rights Protection: the case of 'alien passport'  
holders in Latvia
- Minority Rights Protection in Montenegro
- Official Graduation Ceremony





# Igalo Series

## Our publications



*From the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the European Union and Legal Reform Summer School which took place in July 2009, the CCSDD publishes every year a selection of essays of the participants that develop ideas concerning the European Union and Legal Reform.*

*The general themes tackled during the Summer Schools are: institutional framework at a European Union and domestic level; EU enlargement; EU in a broader perspective; the role of the courts and judicial review and the protection of minority rights.*

**Our publications are available at [www.CLUEB.eu](http://www.CLUEB.eu)**

- S. Pennicino (ed), *European Union and Legal Reform 2009*
- F. Biagi (ed), *European Union and Legal Reform 2010*
- Č. Pištan (ed), *European Union and Legal Reform 2011*
- M. Milenkovic (ed), *European Union and Legal Reform 2012*



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