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# BEYOND 'CRISIS'?

# THE STATE OF IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM LAW AND POLICY IN THE EU

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ODYSSEUS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

ORGANISED IN COOPERATION WITH THE REPRESENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION IN BELGIUM

10 FEBRUARY 2017

Bringing together different legal experts on asylum and migration from across Europe, this conference critically assesses the developments in 2016 and investigate possible trends. The most important policy and legal measures are analysed in three streams:

Stream 1- Cooperation: The European Border and Coast Guard | Hotspots | Relocation

Stream 2 - Protection: Detention | Asylum Legislative Package | Dublin IV

Stream 3- Management: Databases | Legal Migration | The Partnership Framework

More information on this conference and how to register can be found at:

<http://odysseus-network.eu/2017-conference/>

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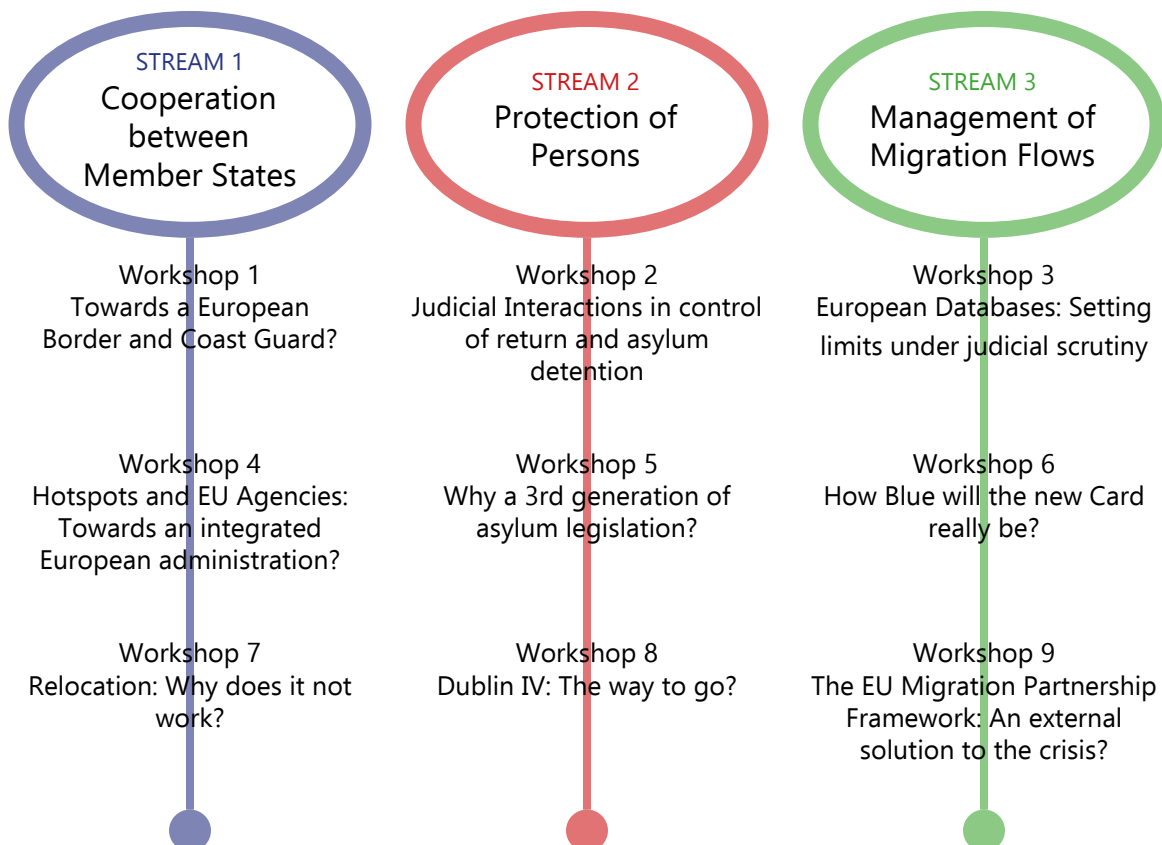
## OVERVIEW

The Odysseus Annual Conference is organised by the Odysseus Academic Network located at the Faculty of Law of the Université libre de Bruxelles. The Conference takes place on a yearly basis and in 2017 is organised jointly with the European Commission's Representation in Belgium, taking place on 10 February. Bringing together legal experts in immigration and asylum law and policy from across Europe, the event is conceptualised to take stock of the field's evolvments in 2016 and identify possible future trends. It offers a platform to pool, share and advance knowledge and draws participants from academia, EU institutions and agencies, Member States' administrations, international organisations and NGOs.

## STRUCTURE

### Workshops

In order to present a comprehensive overview of the most important legal developments and enable in-depth analysis of key issues at the same time, the Conference is set up according to three different content streams.



## PROGRAMME

### Introductory Plenary Session - Which crisis and legal values? 8.45 - 10.00

Chair: Prof Philippe de Bruycker, *Université libre de Bruxelles, Coordinator of the Odysseus Academic Network*

Mr Simon Mordue, *Deputy Director-General, DG Home, European Commission*

Prof Thomas Spijkerboer, *Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam*

Prof Daniel Thym, *Universität Konstanz*

Dr Simon Labayle, *Université d'Aix-Marseille III/Université de Sherbrooke*

### Session A 10.00 - 11.30

Workshop 1 Towards a European Border and Coast Guard?	Workshop 2 Judicial Interactions in control of Return and Asylum Detention	Workshop 3 European Databases: Setting Limits under Judicial Scrutiny
<p>Chair: Prof Jorg Monar <i>Rector, College of Europe</i></p> <p>Convenor: Prof Jorrit Rijpma <i>Leiden University</i></p> <p>Comments by: Dr Sergio Carrera <i>Senior Research Fellow and Head of Justice and Home Affairs Unit, CEPS</i></p> <p>A Representative of Frontex <i>(tbc)</i></p> <p>Prof Sarah Léonard <i>Vesalius College</i></p> <p>Rapporteur: Prof Nuno Piçarra <i>Universidade Nova de Lisboa</i></p>	<p>Chair: Prof Lyra Jakuleviciene <i>Mykolas Romeris University</i></p> <p>Convenor: Dr Madalina Moraru <i>Researcher, European University Institute</i></p> <p>Comments by: Prof Galina Cornelisse <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i></p> <p>Prof Elina Pirjatanniemi <i>Åbo Akademi University</i></p> <p>Judge Boštjan Zalar <i>Administrative Court of the Republic of Slovenia and ad hoc judge at the European Court of Human Rights</i></p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms Erna Blöndal <i>Managing Director of the Nordic Institute for Migration</i></p>	<p>Chair: Prof Valsamis Mitsilegas <i>Queen Mary, University of London</i></p> <p>Convenor: Ms Niovi Vavoula <i>PhD Candidate, Queen Mary, University of London</i></p> <p>Comments by: A Representative of the Court of Justice of the EU <i>(tbc)</i></p> <p>Mr Rob Rozenburg <i>Head of Unit, Information Systems for Borders and Security, DG HOME, European Commission</i></p> <p>A Member of the European Parliament <i>(tbc)</i></p> <p>Rapporteur: Prof Evelien Brouwer <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i></p>

### Coffee Break 11.30 - 12.00

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Session B  
12.00 - 13.30

Workshop 4 Hotspots and EU Agencies: Towards an Integrated European Administration?	Workshop 5 Why a third Generation of Asylum Legislation?	Workshop 6 Legal Migration: How Blue will the New Card be?
<p>Chair: Prof Christian Kaunert <i>Academic Director Institute for European Studies, Vrije Universiteit Brussel</i></p> <p>Convenor: Dr Lilian Tsourdi <i>Max Weber Fellow, European University Institute</i></p> <p>Comments by: Mr François Bienfait <i>Liaison Officer to the EU Institutions in Brussels, European Asylum Support Office</i></p> <p>Ms Mary Malefa <i>Lawyer, Greek Council for Refugees</i></p> <p>Mr Martin Schieffer <i>Head of Unit, Migration Management Support, DG Home, European Commission (tbc)</i></p> <p>Rapporteur: Dr Merijn Chamon <i>Ghent European Law Institute</i></p>	<p>Chair: Ms Sophie Magennis <i>Head of Unit, Policy &amp; Legal Support Bureau for Europe, Brussels, UNHCR</i></p> <p>Convenor: Prof Steve Peers <i>University of Essex</i></p> <p>Comments by: Mr Kris Pollet <i>Senior Legal and Policy Officer, ECRE</i></p> <p>Representative from the Asylum Unit, DG Home, European Commission (tbc)</p> <p>Prof Kees Groenendijk <i>Radboud University</i></p> <p>Rapporteur: Prof Lieneke Slingenberg <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i></p>	<p>Chair: Mr Jonathan Chaloff <i>International Migration Division, OECD</i></p> <p>Convenor: Prof Philippe de Bruycker <i>Université libre de Bruxelles</i></p> <p>Comments by: Mr Lieven Brouwers <i>Policy Officer, Legal Migration and Integration Unit, DG Home, European Commission</i></p> <p>Ms Jo Antoons <i>Attorney, Partner, Fragomen</i></p> <p>Ms Meriem Eskali <i>Belgian Aliens Office</i></p> <p>Rapporteur: tbc</p>

Lunch  
13.30-14.30

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Session C  
14.30 - 16.00

Workshop 7 Relocation: Why does it not work?	Workshop 8 Dublin IV: The Way to go?	Workshop 9 The EU Migration Partnership Framework: An External Solution to the Crisis?
<p>Chair: Prof Barbara Mikołajczyk <i>University of Silesia</i></p> <p>Convenor: Dr Salvatore Nicolosi <i>Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Ghent University</i></p> <p>Comments by: Ms Esther Pozo-Vera <i>Asylum Unit, DG Home, European Commission</i></p> <p>Mr Mario Morcone <i>Head of Department, Civil Liberties and Immigration, Italian Ministry of Interior</i></p> <p>Rapporteur: tbc</p>	<p>Chair: Dr Neža Kogovšek Šalamon <i>Director, Mirovni Inštitut</i></p> <p>Convenor: Prof Francesco Maiani <i>University of Lausanne</i></p> <p>Comments by: Dr Constantin Hruschka <i>Head of Protection Department, Swiss Refugee Council</i></p> <p>A Representative of the European Parliament <i>(tbc)</i></p> <p>A Representative of the Asylum Unit, DG Home, European Commission</p> <p>Rapporteur: Prof Marcello di Filippo <i>University of Pisa</i></p>	<p>Chair: Prof Achilles Skordas <i>University of Copenhagen</i></p> <p>Convenor: Dr Céline Bauloz <i>Senior Fellow, Graduate Institute Geneva</i></p> <p>Comments by: Dr Sergo Mananashvili <i>Advisor on Return and Readmission, ICMPD</i></p> <p>Dr Violeta Moreno-Lax <i>Queen Mary, University of London</i></p> <p>Dr Georgia Papagianni <i>Coordinator for Migration, European External Action Service</i></p> <p>Rapporteur: Dr Tineke Strik <i>Researcher, Radboud University</i></p>

Coffee Break  
16.00 - 16.15

Concluding Plenary Session  
16.15 - 17.30

Mr Neven Mimica, *Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development*

Members of the European Parliament, *(tbc)*

Prof Philippe de Bruycker, *Université libre de Bruxelles,*

Prof Jens Vedsted-Hansen, *Aarhus Universitet*

Prof Jean-Yves Carlier, *Université catholique du Louvain*

## REGISTRATION

Participation in the conference is free of charge, but online registration is required prior to the event. The conference programme is organised along three suggested different thematic streams : (1) Co-operation between Member States, (2) Protection of Persons, (3) Management of Migration Flows. While the workshops are grouped according to the coherence of the content discussed, participants are free to choose workshops from different streams.

Registration can be completed via this weblink: [https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/beyond\\_crisis](https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/beyond_crisis)

## VENUE

The 2017 conference is organised with the support of the European Commission's Representation in Belgium and takes place in the Commission's Charlemagne building. Simultaneous interpretation in English, French and Dutch will be provided.

### Directions

From Zaventem Airport: Shuttle Bus Line 12 (Stop Schuman) or Shuttle Train to Gare Centrale.  
From Gare Centrale: Metro 1 (direction Stockel) or 5 (direction Herrmann-Debroux), Stop Schuman.  
From Gare du Midi: Metro 2 (direction Simonis), change at Arts-Loi/Kunst-Wet to Metro 1 (direction Stockel) or 5 (direction Herrmann-Debroux), Stop Schuman.

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