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Regulating 'irregular' migration:

International obligations and international responsibility

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Faculty Club, Kostis Palamas Building, Akadimias 48, Athens

PROGRAMME

09.00-09.30 Registration

09.30-10.30 **Welcome**

Professor Maria Gavouneli, Assistant Professor of International Law, Faculty of Law, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

Keynote address

Professor Guy S. Goodwin-Gill, Senior Research Fellow, All Souls College, University of Oxford



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10.30-12.00 **Panel I: *Regulating the transit of irregular migrants***

Chair: Professor Maria Gavouneli, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

The alternative plan for the protection of the irregular migrant

Vasileia Pitarokoili, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

The duty to assist in distress: An alternative source of protection against the return of migrants and asylum seekers to the high seas

Lisa-Marie Komb, Bucerius Law School, Hamburg

The notion of 'place of safety': Yet another self-contained maritime rule or a sustainable solution to the ever-controversial question of where to disembark migrants rescued at sea?

Martin Ratcovich, University of Stockholm

FRONTEX: The question of responsibility through the lens of the rule of law and effective legal protection

Mariana Gkliati, University of Leiden

Discussant: Professor Irini Papanikolopulu, Senior Lecturer, University of Glasgow & Assistant Professor, University of Milano-Bicocca

12.00-12.30 **Coffee break**

12.30-14.00 **Panel II: *Regulating the detention of irregular migrants***

Chair: Kalliopi Stefanaki, UNCHR, Athens [tbc]

The union of securitization and demography: Detention of African asylum-seekers in Israel

Dr. Ruvi Ziegler, University of Reading

Reception conditions for asylum seekers in the European Union: Towards the prevalence of human dignity

Lilian Tsourdi, Université libre de Bruxelles

Immigration detention under EU law and the international obligations of member-States

Izabella Majcher, The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva

Private firms and responsibility for violations of migrant rights

Dr. Theodore Baird, University of Amsterdam

Discussant: Professor Philippe de Bruycker, Université libre de Bruxelles and Assistant Director, Migration Policy Centre, European University Institute [tbc]

14.00-16.00 **Lunch break**

16.00-17.30 **Panel III: *Protection challenges for asylum-seekers***

Chair: Professor Photini Pazartzis, Associate Professor of International Law, Faculty of Law, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens & UN Human Rights Committee [tbc]

Irregular migrants in legal limbos

Professor Marie-Laure Basilien-Gainche, Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3

The dual European system of fundamental rights protection in the asylum procedure: The dialogue between Strasbourg and Luxembourg

Maria-Louisa Deftou, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

Discussing the added value of implementing the Temporary Protection Directive to cope with large-scale influx of persons seeking refuge in the European Union

Meltem Ineli Ciger, University of Bristol

Economic and social rights in the State of reception: A critical assessment of it as a parameter in third country non-refoulement agreements

Solon Solomon, The Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London

Discussant: Dr. Violetta Moreno Lax, Lecturer in Law, Queen Mary London and EU Asylum Law Coordinator, Refugee Law Initiative, University of London

17.30-18.00 **Coffee break**

18.00-19.30 **Panel IV: *Revisiting resettlement procedures and the Dublin system***

Chair: Maria Stavropoulou, Head, Asylum Service [tbc]

Point of non-return? Deportation with assurances and MoUs

Dr. Mariagiulia Giuffrè, Lecturer in Law, Edge Hill University

We need to talk about Dublin: Responsibility under the Dublin system as a blockage to asylum burden-sharing in the European Union

Minos Mouzourakis, UNHCR Brussels

The 'safe third country' concept and the principle of solidarity and fair sharing of responsibility in the refugee regime

Eleni Karageorgiou, University of Lund

Voluntary and extraterritorial: Legal standards and accountability of refugee resettlement?

Sigrid Gies, University of Konstanz

Discussant: Professor Seline Trevisanut, Assistant Professor, University of Utrecht

19.30-20.00 [Irregular Migration through the Mediterranean Sea: Obligations of States under international and European law – Tentative conclusions](#)

Dr. Efthymios Papastavridis, Post-doctoral researcher, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

20.00-21.00 [Reception](#)

21.00-23.00 [Dinner for chairs and speakers](#)

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