

EMERGENCY POWERS IN THE LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND OTHER GLOBAL CRISIS

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The global crisis triggered by COVID-19 shed light on the exceptional situations in which governments may need to be empowered to take actions that they would not normally be permitted, in order to maintain or restore the integrity of the state and public safety and protect their citizens. Emergency powers are often regarded as a neglected field of constitutional law since most European countries rarely have to face crises or threats that cannot be managed under normal operating conditions.

The basic goal of the conference twofold: On the one hand, the lecturers offer an in-depth analysis and comparison of the systems of emergency powers of nine Central and Eastern European countries, paying special attention to the states of exception declared in the previous decades; on the other hand, the presentations are devoted to discussing the constitutional law aspects of the responses for COVID-19 crisis, highlighting the relevant legal and political debates, dilemmas and viewpoints surrounding the pandemic.

AGENDA OF THE CONFERENCE

10:00 - 10:10

Opening of the conference

CSILLA CSÁK, Dean, Faculty of Law,
University of Miskolc, Hungary

10:10 - 10:20

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SPYRIDON FLOGAITIS, Professor,
Director of the EPLO (European
Public Law Organization), President
of its Board of Directors

10:20 - 10:40

Dead Letter or Essential Gear in the Machinery of European Democracies during Public Emergency? Assessment of the ECtHR's Case-Law on Article 15 of the ECHR

NÓRA BÉRES, Researcher, Ferenc
Mádl Institute of Comparative Law,
Hungary; Assistant Lecturer, Faculty of
Law, University of Miskolc, Hungary

10:40 - 11:00

Dealing with the COVID 19 Pandemic on the EU level: Introducing the "Web of Competencies" Theory

GYÖRGY MARINKÁS, Researcher,
Ferenc Mádl Institute of Comparative
Law, Hungary; Assistant Professor,
Faculty of Law, University of Miskolc,
Hungary

11:00 - 11:20

Covid-19 response in Italy

MATTEO GNES, Full Professor,
University of Urbino Carlo Bo, Italy;
Director, Institute for Global Health
Emergencies Response, European
Public Law Organization (EPLO)



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The Croatian "Emergency Constitution" on Test

PETAR BAČIĆ, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Split, Croatia

11:35 - 11:50

Economic Aspects of the COVID-19 Pandemic in Croatia

MARKO IVKOSIC, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Split, Croatia

11:50 - 12.10

Emergency Powers In The Application Of AI In The Fight Against Covid-19 and New Challenge for Human Rights

SIBILLA BULETSA, Professor, Faculty of Law, Uzhhorod National University, Ukraine

12:10 - 13:10

LUNCH BREAK

13:10 - 13.25

Serbian Legal Disharmony During the COVID-19 Pandemic Part 1

SLOBODAN ORLOVIĆ, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Novi Sad, Serbia

13:25 - 13.40

Serbian Legal Disharmony During the COVID-19 Pandemic Part 2

IVAN MILIĆ, Assistant with Doctorate, Faculty of Law, University of Novi Sad, Serbia



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**Regulation of the State of
Emergency under the 1997 Polish
Constitution vs the COVID-19
pandemic**

KATARZYNA ZOMBORY, Senior
researcher, Central European
Academy, Hungary

14:00 - 14:20

**The multi-level regulation of the
traditional and the exceptional
emergency powers in Slovakia**

JÁNOS SZINEK, Director, Central
European Academy, Hungary; PhD
candidate, Ferenc Deák Doctoral
School of Law, University of Miskolc,
Hungary

14:20 - 14:50

COFFEE BREAK

14:50 - 15:10

**Dimensions of emergency powers
in the Czech Republic**

DÁVID HOJNYÁK, Researcher, Ferenc
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of Miskolc, Hungary

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15:10 - 15:30

Special legal order versus emergencies, a Hungarian perspective

SZABOLCS TILL, Colonel, University of Public Service, Hungary

15:30 - 15:50

Summary: Pondering about emergency powers during COVID-19

ATTILA HORVÁTH, Senior Researcher, Ferenc Mádl Institute of Comparative Law, Hungary; Associate Professor, University of Public Service, Hungary

15:50 - 16:30

DEBATE

Conference moderator

GÁBOR F. TÓTH, Deputy Head of Ferenc Mádl Institute of Comparative Law, Hungary

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