



Procedural Law Unit 4th Annual Symposium

Judicial Delays Threatening the Rule of Law

Saturday, 14 December 2024

09:30 - 14:30

DISCOVERY HALL,

University of Nicosia

4th Annual Symposium

- ◆ **Co-organisers: Procedural Law Unit, Oxygen for Democracy**
- ◆ **Under the auspices: Cyprus Bar Association**
- ◆ **Sponsors: Zygos, ELTC, Phoebus Christos Clerides & Associates LLC, Costas Tsirides & Co LLC, Markides Markides & Co LLC, Harris Kyriakides**
- ◆ **The event will be live streamed and there will be interpretation from Greek to English.**
- ◆ **The papers and findings of the event will be published.**



Programme

09:00 - 09:30 Registrations

09:30 – 09:40 Opening Remarks

Nicolas Kyriakides, Co-Director, Procedural Law Unit

09:40 - 10:15 Welcome Addresses

Nicos Tornaritis, Chairman of Committee on Legal Affairs

Rea Limnatitou, Director of the Cyprus Judicial Training School

Louiza Zannettou, Law Commissioner of the Republic of Cyprus

Despina Kyprianou, Attorney of the Republic, Head of the Legal Vetting Section and Head of the Academy of the Law Office of the Republic

Michalis Vorkas, Managing Partner of the law firm Michael Vorkas & Partners LLC and President of the Cyprus Bar Association

Achilles Emilianides, Dean, School of Law, University of Nicosia/
President, Cyprus Academy of Sciences, Letters, and Arts

10:15 – 10:45 Keynote Speech in conversation with Elina

Xandra Kramer (online)(Professor Private Law at Erasmus University Rotterdam and Professor Private International Law at Utrecht University in conversation with **Elina Asimakopoulou** (Lawyer/Writer (Greece), Vis Professor of Civil Procedure Law in NUP (Neapolis University Pafos, Cyprus))

10:45 - 11:45 Courts management

Angelos Binis, European Commission (online)

Tigran Karapetyan, Council of Europe (online)

Christos Clerides, Former President of the CBA

Nicolas Constantinides, Cyprus Bar Association

Elena Kapardis, Lawyer

Moderator: Nicolas Kyriakides



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11:45 – 12:00 Coffee Break

12:00 – 12:30 Survey on the quality of civil justice in Cyprus

Christina Kokkalou, Managing Director, IMR

Christophoros Christophi, Advocate, Managing Partner in Christophi & Associates LLC, Host of the LegalMatters Podcast (discussant)

Maria-Fanouria Papantonaki, Lawyer (discussant)

12:30 - 13:30 Small claims and ADR

Marco Giacalone, Research Professor and Co-Director of the Digitalisation and Access to Justice (DIKE) research group” at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel

Eleni Tzounakou, Judge of First Instance, Greece

Nevi Agapiou, Lecturer in International Commercial Law and Dispute Resolution, School of Law, UCLan Cyprus

Charis Demetriou, Advocate & Managing Director of Charis D. Demetriou & Co LLC and Member of the Board of Directors of Cyprus Arbitration and Mediation Centre (CAMC)

Theano Mavromoustaki, Attorney General’s office

Moderator: Agis Georgiades, Partner CGA, Cad Co-chair

13:30 – 14:30 ELI - Mt Scopus European Standards of Judicial Independence

Sophie Turenne, Assistant Professor in Comparative Law, University of Cambridge

Shimon Shetreet, Greenblatt Chair of Public and International Law, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Andreas Paschalides, Former Supreme Court Judge, discussant

Christos Clerides, Former President of the CBA, discussant

14:30 Closing Remarks: Anna Plevri

