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CEREMONIAL OPENING & COLLOQUIUM
EUROPEAN HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION
TWENTY YEARS FROM NOW
16. SEPTEMBER 2022
European human rights protection has become a trademark in Europe. Over the decades, the European Court of Human Rights and the European Court of Justice have developed an increasingly differentiated jurisprudence that provides European answers to all questions concerning state, society and individual. As much as this is perceived as progress and a positive example in other continents, it has also become apparent that standardising solutions to such questions are also seen as a loss of democracy. Moreover, individual member states of the European Union and the Council of Europe have developed in such a way that human rights protection is no longer of primary importance to them; court rulings are not or at best hesitantly implemented. Already in the present, there are signs that the course is being set. A loss of importance of human rights jurisprudence is just as likely as a revitalisation.

Against this background, we are pleased to bring together the main actors in this field for a colloquium on the occasion of the ceremonial opening of the Academy for European Human Rights Protection and to reflect on visions for the future.

**PROGRAM**

**11:00 | WELCOME RECEPTION AND SNACK**
Location: Academy for European Human Rights Protection, Kupferstift

**12:30-13:00 | OPENING OF THE COLLOQUIUM**
Location: Tagungsraum, Seminar Building
- Axel Freimuth, Rector, University of Cologne
- Frank Suder, Director, Fritz Thyssen Foundation
- Claus Kneß, Professor, Cologne Centre for Advanced Studies on International History and Law
- Angelika Nellberger, Director, Academy for European Human Rights Protection

**13:00-14:30 | PANEL 1**
Location: Tagungsraum, Seminar Building
Moderation: Gabriele Kuszko-Stadtmayer, Section President, European Court of Human Rights
- The European Court of Human Rights in 2040 – Lost Utopia or Trademark of the 21st Century?, Robert Spano, President, European Court of Human Rights
- The European Court of Justice in 2040 – Pacemaker of European Integration or Lost in Transition, Koen Lenaerts, President, European Court of Justice

**16:00-16:30 | COFFEE BREAK**
Location: Seminar Building

**16:30-18:00 | PANEL 3**
Location: Tagungsraum, Seminar Building
Moderation: Fabian Klosse, Professor, Cologne Centre for Advanced Studies on International History and Law
- Druet or Druel, Mirosław Wężykowski, Former Judge, Polish Constitutional Tribunal
- New Approaches to Legal Theory about Human Rights, Matthias Jessee, Professor, University of Freiburg

**18:00-19:30 | PANEL 4**
Location: Tagungsraum, Seminar Building
Human Rights for the Future – A Chance for Peace?
Moderation: Angelika Nellberger, Director, Academy for European Human Rights Protection
- Lady Mary Arden, Former Judge, British Supreme Court
- Ganna Yudkivska, Former Judge, European Court of Human Rights
- Adam Bobnar, Former Ombudsman of Poland, SWPS University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw
- Xie Libin, China University of Political Sciences and Law, Humboldt Fellow at the University of Cologne

**20:15 | DINNER**
Location: Landhaus Kuckuck
Interpretation English-German will be provided.

**LOCATIONS**

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