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The UK and European Human Rights: A Strained Relationship?
Leicester, 23-24 May 2014

Programme

DAY ONE: FRIDAY, 23 May 2014

From 10 am Registration and morning coffee (coffee available throughout the morning)

10.30 Welcome by the Organisers
10.35-11.40
A. The Relationship between the UK and Strasbourg: Perspectives from Strasbourg and the UK Supreme Court
   Chair: Professor AW Bradley
   - The Relationship between the Strasbourg Court and the National Courts – As Seen from Strasbourg
     Judge Paul Mahoney, European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg
   - The Relationship between the Strasbourg Court and the National Courts – As Seen from the UK Supreme Court
     The Right Hon Lord Kerr of Tonaghmore, Justice of the UK Supreme Court
   - Discussion

11.40-11.50 Short break

11.50-13.15
B. The Relationship between the UK and Strasbourg: Cooperation or Conflict? General Issues
   Chair: Professor David Bonner
   - The Legitimacy of the Strasbourg Court and the Idea of Sovereignty
     Professor David Feldman, University of Cambridge
   - The Common Law’s Approach to Human Rights
     Professor Brice Dickson, Queen’s University, Belfast
   - Should the English Courts under the Human Rights Act Mirror the Strasbourg Case Law?
     Richard Clayton QC, 4-5 Gray’s Inn Square
   - Discussion

13.15-14.00 Lunch
14.00-14.50  
Chair: Dr Loveday Hodson  
- **The Role of the UK Parliament in the Implementation of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights**  
  Ms Alice Donald, European Human Rights Advocacy Centre (EHRAC), Middlesex University  
- **Post-Brighton Reforms to the ECHR**  
  Dr Noreen O'Meara, University of Surrey  
- Discussion  

14.55-15.45  
C. **Compliance, Cooperation or Clash?: The Relationship between the UK and Strasbourg - Specific Issues**  
Chair: Professor Robin White  
- **Confronting Strasbourg on Prisoner Voting**  
  Dr Ed Bates, University of Southampton  
- **Regulating the Democratic Process: Strasbourg's Timidness**  
  Dr Reuven Ziegler, University of Reading  
- Discussion  

15.50-16.10  
Coffee break  

16.10-17.00  
- **The UK, Strasbourg and Immigration**  
  C. M. G. Ockelton, Vice President of the Upper Tribunal, Immigration and Asylum Chamber  
- **Post 9/11 UK Counter-terrorism Cases in the European Court of Human Rights and Effects of Protocols 15 and 16: Creating Dialogue with the Strasbourg Court?**  
  Professor Helen Fenwick, University of Durham  
- Discussion  

17.00-17.10  
Short break  

17.10-18.35  
D. **Interplay of Human Rights in Europe: ECHR, EU and National Human Rights**  
Chair: Dr Jule Mulder  
- **The Application of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights in the UK**  
  Professor Sionaidh Douglas-Scott, University of Oxford  
- **To Accede or Not to Accede: European Fundamental Rights at the Crossroads?**  
  Professor Johan Callewaert, Deputy Grand Chamber Registrar, European Court of Human Rights, Universities of Speyer and Louvain  
- **An Austrian ‘ménage à trois’: ECHR, EU Charter of Fundamental Rights and the Austrian Constitution.**  
  Professor Andreas Th. Müller, University of Innsbruck  
- Discussion  

19.15  
Drinks Reception, followed by Conference Dinner (by invitation/registration)
DAY TWO: SATURDAY, 24 May 2014

9.15-11.00 E. Cooperation of Conflict?: Factors Shaping the Nature of the Relationship: The Perspectives from other Jurisdictions
Chair: Professor Katja Ziegler

- National Compliance with Rulings of the European Court of Human Rights – An Overview
  Judge Luis López Guerra, European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg

- The ECHR in French Law: Status, Implementation and Debates
  Professor emerita Constance Grewe, Strasbourg and Constitutional Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina

- European Court of Human Rights and Italian Constitutional Court: No ‘Groovy Kind of Love’
  Dr Oreste Pollicino, Bocconi University, Milan and Visiting Fellow, Nuffield College, Oxford

- From Conflict to Cooperation: The relationship between Karlsruhe and Strasbourg
  Ms Julia Rackow, Humboldt University, Berlin

- Discussion

11.00-11.25 Coffee Break

11.25-13.00
Chair: Professor AW Bradley

- Russia’s Steps in Response to the European Court of Human Rights’ Systemic Findings: Words or Actions?
  Olga Chernishova, Registry, European Court of Human Rights

- The Russian Federation and the Strasbourg Court: the Illegitimacy of Sovereignty?
  Professor Bill Bowring, Birkbeck, University of London

- Strengthening Human Rights in Post-communist Central Europe – On Formalistic and Substantive Understandings of Equality
  Dr Barbara Havelkova, Oxford

- Discussion

13.00-13.45 Lunch

13.45-15.15 F. The Role of the Media in Shaping the Relationship
Chair: Professor Liz Wicks

- Public Watchdogs and Democratic Society: Roles of the Media and the Strasbourg Court
  Professor Robert Uerpmann-Wittzack, University of Regensburg

- Human Rights, the British Press and the Deserving Claimant
  Dr Lieve Gies, Department of Media and Communication, Leicester

  Professor David Mead, University of East Anglia

- Discussion
15.15-15.30  Closing Remarks and Closing Discussion

Convenors: Dr Loveday Hodson, Professor Liz Wicks and Professor Katja Ziegler

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