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## Conference Announcement

**„Legal aspects of the EU Association Agreements with Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine in the context of the EU Eastern Partnership initiative“**

### Programme

The new Association Agreements between the EU and Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine concluded in 2014 are not only a matter of utmost political actuality and dispute. They are also complex legal documents, which must be studied intensely in order to be understood. The present Conference, which is financed by the DAAD, is the first academic workshop dealing with these Agreements in a systematic and comparative manner. Most of the speakers are grantees of DAAD scholarships from Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine.

**Organizer:** Institute of East European Law of Kiel University (with support by the German Academic Exchange Service). Co-organizers: Verein Ostrecht Kiel e.V. and German Society for East European Studies

**Location:** Internationales Begegnungszentrum (IBZ), University of Kiel, Kiellinie 5, 24103 Kiel, Germany

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## **Friday, 19 December 2014**

08.30 – 9.00 Registration

09.00 – 9.15 Welcome addresses

### **Session 1: Overview over the AAs (moderator: Prof. Dr. Alexander Trunk)**

9.15-9.30 *Felicia Badalova*: Comparison of the EU Association Agreements with Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine in the overview

9.30-9.45 *Ala Otgon* Comparison of the Moldavian AA with other EU Association Agreements, in particular with Turkey

9.45-10.00 *Tetyana Ilyushyna*: Comparison of the Ukrainian AA with other EU Association Agreements, in particular with Turkey

10.00-10.15 *Anastasiia Bogutska*: National EU accession strategies at the example of one EaP country: the case of Ukraine

10.15-10.30 Discussion

### ***10.30-11.00 Coffee break***

11.00-11.15 *Mykhailo Smeshko*: The present inner conflicts situation in Georgia (Abkhazia, South Ossetia), Moldova (Transnistria) and Ukraine (Crimea, Eastern Ukraine) in the context of the AAs

11.15 – 11.30 Guest lecture: *Dr. Narine Ghazaryan*, Brunel University (London): Human rights clauses in the Association Agreements with Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine

11.30-11.45 *Maja Mascher*: The relevance of the jurisprudence of the ECHR and the ECJ for Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine

11.45 – 12.00 Discussion

12.00-12.15 *Vadym Karnaukh*: Approximation of law as a general topic of the AAs of the three countries in comparison with the PCAs

12.15-12.45 Discussion

### **12.45-13.30 Lunch (at IBZ)**

**Session 2: DCFTAs in the context of the AAs of the three countries (moderator: Doz. Dr. Marina Trunk-Fedorova, LL.M.)**

13.30-13.45 *Marta Zakharko*: Overview, basic principles and comparison of the DCFTA provisions in the AAs

13.45-14.00 *Anastasiia Romanchenko*: Rules on technical barriers in the AAs

14.00-14.30 Discussion

**Session 3: Economic and sectoral cooperation in the framework of the three AAs - overview and exemplary areas (moderator: Prof. Dr. Alexander Trunk)**

14.30-14.45 *Nataliya Boyko*: Energy Law

14.45-15.00 *Ana Tokhadze*: Corporate Governance

15.00-15.15 *Olena Serpukhovitina*: Intellectual property

15.15-15.30 *Solomon Menabdishvili*: Competition Law

15.30-16.30 Discussion and concluding remarks on the program of the day

*Coffee and End of Day 1*

**Saturday, 20 December 2014**

8.30 – 8.45 Introduction to the program of the day (*Prof. Dr. Alexander Trunk*)

8.45 – 9.00 Remarks on the EU Association Agreements with Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine from an Austrian perspective, *Prof. Dr. Michael Geistlinger*, University of Salzburg

**Session 4: Cooperation in the area of Justice, Freedom and Security under the three AAs (moderation: Prof. Dr. Alexander Trunk)**

9.00-9.15 *Ludmila Negritu*: Comparison between the AAs and with EU law

9.15-9.30 *Salome Kavtaradze*: Elements of freedom of movement of persons in the AAs

9.30 – 10.00 Discussion

**Session 5: Dispute settlement in the framework of the AAs and investment protection  
(moderator: Azar Aliyev, LL.M.)**

10.00-10.15 *Yulia Khomyn*: Mechanisms of dispute settlement in the AAs (e.g. arbitration and mediation)

10.15-10.30 Discussion

10.30-10.45 *Anastasia Rogozina*: Substantive Law of Investment Protection under the AAs

10.45-11.00 *Anastasia Bessonova*: Procedural Law of Investment Protection with a view to the AAs

***11.00-11.30 Coffee break***

11.30-12.00 Discussion with introduction/comment by *Prof. Dr. Karsten Nowrot*, University of Hamburg

**Session 6: Provisional application of the AAs and effects of the AAs on third countries  
(moderation: Prof. Dr. Karsten Nowrot)**

12.00–12.15 *Oleksandr Shevchuk*: Legal aspects of the effects of the AAs of the three countries on their relations with Russia

12.15-12.45 Discussion

12.45–13.15 Wrap-Up and closing remarks

**13.30 Lunch in the Restaurant “Schöne Aussichten” (with a view to the Kieler Förde)**

*End of the Conference –*

*We wish you Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*