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We are pleased to announce that Faculty of Economics & Business, University of Zagreb is organizing

# 5th International Conference on European Company Law and Corporate Governance CORPORATE PURPOSE IN THE DIGITAL ERA: TOWARDS REVISITING THE DIRECTORS' DUTIES AND LIABILITIES

## ZAGREB 24-25 NOVEMBER 2022

The Conference aims to gather leading European researchers and experts in the field of company law and corporate governance, as well as students and young scholars who are facing the company law and corporate governance issues on everyday basis.

The Conference will focus on the current issues and will provide the opportunity to keep the pace with the latest developments in the field of European company law and corporate governance for its participants.

## The Background

5th International Conference on European Company Law and Corporate Governance presents a continuation of the tradition established by the four previous conferences on European company law and corporate governance that were held in Zagreb in 2011, 2013, 2018 and 2020. Having in mind the good reception of the past Conferences and, what is more important, the recent developments in the field of European company law and corporate governance, the organizers agreed to continue the Conference series and to organize the 5th Conference.

## Idea & mission

The Conference aims to promote the importance of the European Company Law and Corporate Governance and its significance for the proper functioning of the internal market, especially the freedom of establishment.

The Conference tends to assemble the affirmed scientists and practitioners from the fields of company law, corporate governance, accounting, and auditing to stimulate the multidimensional and interdisciplinary deliberation. The Conference also looks at the future. It is also intended for the students of economic and legal study programs, who are about to face the internal market and shape it in the future. The representatives of civil associations, public sector, professionals, scholars, researchers, and academic community are all welcomed as potential beneficiaries of the Conference.

#### **Topics & keynote speakers**



We are happy to announce that this year's Conference keynote speakers will be Professor Pierre-Henri Conac, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg and Professor Edita Čulinović Herc, University of Rijeka, Croatia. The keynote speakers will introduce participants to the most current issues concerning European Company Law & Corporate Governance at the plenary session.

The Conference is semi-open type. Beside invited keynote speakers who are affirmed experts in the field of European company law and corporate governance, everyone interested is welcomed to submit a contribution. The upcoming Conference will focus, but not exclusively, to the following topics:

- Directors' duties and liabilities
- Digitalization and modern technologies in company law
- Corporate sustainability and ESG factors
- Corporate operations
- Corporate governance
- Corporate financing and auditing
- Mandatory EU system of due diligence for supply chains

## **General information**

Working language is English. The complete Conference will be managed remotely, considering possible travelling restrictions, health concerns and general uncertainty caused by the global COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, participants will be required to provide adequate IT equipment (personal computer, web cam, microphone, speakers, and internet connection)

which will enable them to participate remotely. Information on the platform for remote participation and access instructions will be provided in November to the registered participants.

## **Important dates**

- March 10 July 1, 2022 Call for Abstracts
- July 15, 2022 Notice on Acceptance of Abstracts
- July 1 September 30, 2021 Early Registrations
- October 1 November 15, 2022 Regular Registrations
- November 1, 2022 Submission of the Full Papers
- November 24-25, 2022 Conference

## Organization

Conference Chair: Professor Hana Horak, University of Zagreb

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## **Registration & fees**

Registrations for the conference will be available after July 1, 2022, via Conference webpage. Registration fee will include access to all conference sessions, conference materials and conference publications.

	Early Registration (Until September 30, 2022)	Regular Registration (From October 1, 2022)
Regular attendee (listener)	35,00 EUR	50,00 EUR
Speaker (accepted abstract)	35,00 EUR	35,00 EUR

For the groups of five or more regular attendees the organizer approves special discounts on the registration fees. Please contact us directly for more information on discounts and group registrations.

For any additional information please visit the Conference webpage at <u>https://eclcg-conf.weebly.com/</u> or contact us by e-mail <u>eclcg-conf@net.efzg.hr</u>

Best regards,

Zagreb, March 2022.

Professor Hana Horak, Conference Chair