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# **Twenty-eighth Annual Brussels Seminar**

**3-20 July, 2000**

## **LAW & INSTITUTIONS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

*held in cooperation with and at*

**Institute of European Studies  
Université Libre de Bruxelles**

**Faculty of Law  
Vrije Universiteit Brussel**

**Brussels, Belgium**



# The Brussels Seminar

## AIM OF THE SEMINAR

The principal aim of the Brussels Seminar is to provide a group of interested law students studying at law schools in the United States with intensive exposure to the law and institutions of the European Community within the new European Union. The process of completion of an integrated internal market, the remarkable expansion of the scope of the Community as evidenced by the Treaty on European Union which envisages an economic and monetary union and a political union, the accession of the new members of the EU and the further expansion of the Union, the fundamental changes in the political and economic systems in Central and Eastern Europe and the Community's reaction to them, and the challenges of the GATT-94 and the World Trade Organization (WTO), will be the subject of particular attention in Seminar discussions. European Union integration through the Maastricht and Amsterdam Agreements will also be analyzed and discussed.

A round-table discussion, among Seminar faculty members and other experts on developments in EU/US cooperation, will form part of the program for the 2000 session of the Brussels Seminar.

## BACKGROUND NOTE

The Brussels Seminar has been directed by Professor Gabriel M. Wilner since its inception in 1973. It is presently conducted in cooperation with the President of the Institute of European Studies, Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB) and with the Dean of the law faculty and the Director of the Program in International Legal Cooperation of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB).

The twenty-eighth session of the Brussels Seminar will receive its principal financial sponsorship from the **Dean and Virginia Rusk Fellowship Fund at the University of Georgia Law School** and from **The School of Law, Saint Louis University**.

Further support will be extended by the Commission for Educational Exchange between the United States, Belgium and Luxembourg, by the Commission and the Court of Justice of the European Communities, and by friends and alumni of the Seminar.

## DEDICATION

The Brussels Seminar is dedicated to the memory of Professor Dean Rusk, Secretary of State of the United States from 1961 to 1969 and thereafter Samuel H. Sibley Professor of International Law at the University of Georgia School of Law. Professor Rusk played a key role in the establishment of the Brussels Seminar and honored the Seminar with his active support for twenty-three years thereafter.

# Program of the Brussels Seminar

## INTRODUCTION

The core elements of the Brussels Seminar are a series of lectures and discussions, given in English and to be attended by all the student participants. Approximately eighty hours of lectures, seminars, workshops, and the roundtable are planned for the fourteen working days scheduled.

*A Certificate of Study is awarded to students who, by their constant attendance, active participation, and performance in an examination given by the Seminar, under the auspices of PILC, Faculty of Law, VUB, have demonstrated their understanding of the fundamentals and of sectoral areas of European Union Law and Institutions. The Certificate of Study will be signed by the director of PILC, by the Dean of the VUB Faculty of Law, by the Director of the Brussels Seminar, and by certain other Seminar faculty members.*

## OUTLINE OF TOPICS FOR LECTURES AND DISCUSSION MEETINGS

The Structure and Institutions of the European Union (EU)

The Economic and Monetary Union

Legal Nature of the European Union, particularly, the European Political Union

The External Relations of the European Community (EC)

Judicial System of the European Communities

Relations of the EC with Eastern Europe

Completion of the Internal Market

Economic Relations between the EU and the United States

Community Law on Competition and State Aids

Right of Establishment of Individuals and Legal Persons in the EC

Commercial and Trade Policies and Laws of the EC

Harmonization of Legislation in the EC

Social Law of the EC

Tax Law in the EC

Development Policies of the EC

Agricultural Policies of the EC

Environmental Policies of the EC

Workshop on Legal Practice in the European Community

Human Rights in Europe

New Trends on Cooperation in the EU in the Field of Penal Law

Telecommunications Law in the EC

Intellectual Property Law in the EC

## BRIEFINGS AND OTHER MEETINGS

Visit and participation in a session of the Court of Justice of the European Communities in Luxembourg.

Briefing by officials of the United States Mission to the European Union in Brussels

Meeting at the Palace of Justice of Brussels on the Belgian judicial system

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Several receptions and dinners will be given at which the participants will meet officials of the Community institutions, professors at the various universities in Belgium and other EU countries, and members of the practicing Bar. The students will also spend a weekend day visiting the art cities of Bruges and Damme.

## Lecturers at The Brussels Seminar

- Mr. P. Alexiadis** - Attorney - Brussels
- Mr. J.F. Bellis** - Avocat, Professor, Institute of European Studies, Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB)
- Mr. Julian Currell** - Member of the Legal Service, European Commission
- Mr. Bart De Schutter** - Professor of Law and Director, Program on International Legal Cooperation, and former rector, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- Mr. Youri DeVuyst** - Directorate-General, External Affairs, European Commission
- Mr. J. Faull** - Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General, Competition, European Commission
- Ms. I. Govaer** - Professor, College of Europe and Ghent University
- Mr. T. Koopmans** - Former Judge, Court of Justice, European Communities
- Mr. E.P. Latham** - Directorate-General, Consumer Protection, (ret.), European Commission
- Mr. Tony Joris** - Professor, Faculty of Law, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- Mr. D.G. Lawrence** - Directorate-General, Environment, European Commission
- Mr. Koen Lenaerts** - Judge, Court of First Instance of EC
- Mr. Marc Maresceau** - Professor, Faculty of Law, Vrije Universiteit Brussel and Ghent University, Director, Europa Instituut, Ghent University
- Mr. Manuel Medina** - Member of European Parliament
- Mr. Peter Oliver** - Member of the Legal Service, Commission of the EC
- Mr. Peter Praet** - Professor of Economics, Institute of European Studies (ULB), Chief Advisor, Ministry of Finance, Belgium
- Mr. Eric Remacle** - Professor of Political Science, Director, Institute of European Studies (ULB)
- Mr. B. Schloh** - Legal Advisor (ret.), Council of Ministers of the EC
- Ms. C. Schmidt** - Member of the Legal Service, European Commission
- Mr. Stephen Spinks** - Attorney, Brussels; alumnus of the Brussels Seminar
- Mrs. R. Sybesma** - Professor (Emeritus), Faculty of Law, V.U.B.
- Mr. H. Taschner** - Director in Directorate-General (ret.), Internal Market, European Commission
- Mr. A. TePass** - Head of Division Directorate-General, External Relations, European Commission
- Mr. Hendrik Van Lier** - Legal Advisor, European Commission
- Mr. Servaas van Thiel** - Member of Legal Service, Council of Ministers of the EC
- Mr. Dirk Van Liedekerke** - Avocat, Brussels
- Mr. Denis Waelbroeck** - Professor at the Institute of European Studies (ULB); Avocat
- Mr. Michel Waelbroeck** - Professor (Emeritus) at the Institute of European Studies (ULB); Avocat
- Mr. Gabriel M. Wilner** - Professor of International Law and Associate Dean for International and Graduate Legal Studies, University of Georgia; Adjunct Professor of Law, Vrije Universiteit Brussel; Director, Brussels Seminar

## How To Apply To Become A Participant In The Brussels Seminar

The Brussels Seminar will take place from 3 to 20, July, 2000. Thirty qualified student participants will be selected principally from among United States law students. Students who have finished one year of legal training can be admitted on the basis of previous work in areas of relevance to EC law. Some preference will be given to students who have completed two or more years of legal training. Law students or recent graduates from non-U.S. law schools may be admitted.

*To Apply to the Brussels Seminar, please* send the following information in your letter of application:

1. Name
2. University and year of study
3. Courses taken in the areas of international law and regional economic integration
4. Name(s) of your Professor(s) in the field as reference
5. Addresses at which you may be reached from the time of application to the beginning of the seminar (3 July, 2000.)

Your letter of application should be sent by April 14, 2000, to:

Professor Gabriel M. Wilner  
Director of Brussels Seminar  
Associate Dean, School of Law  
University of Georgia  
Athens, Georgia 30602  
Fax (706) 542-4145

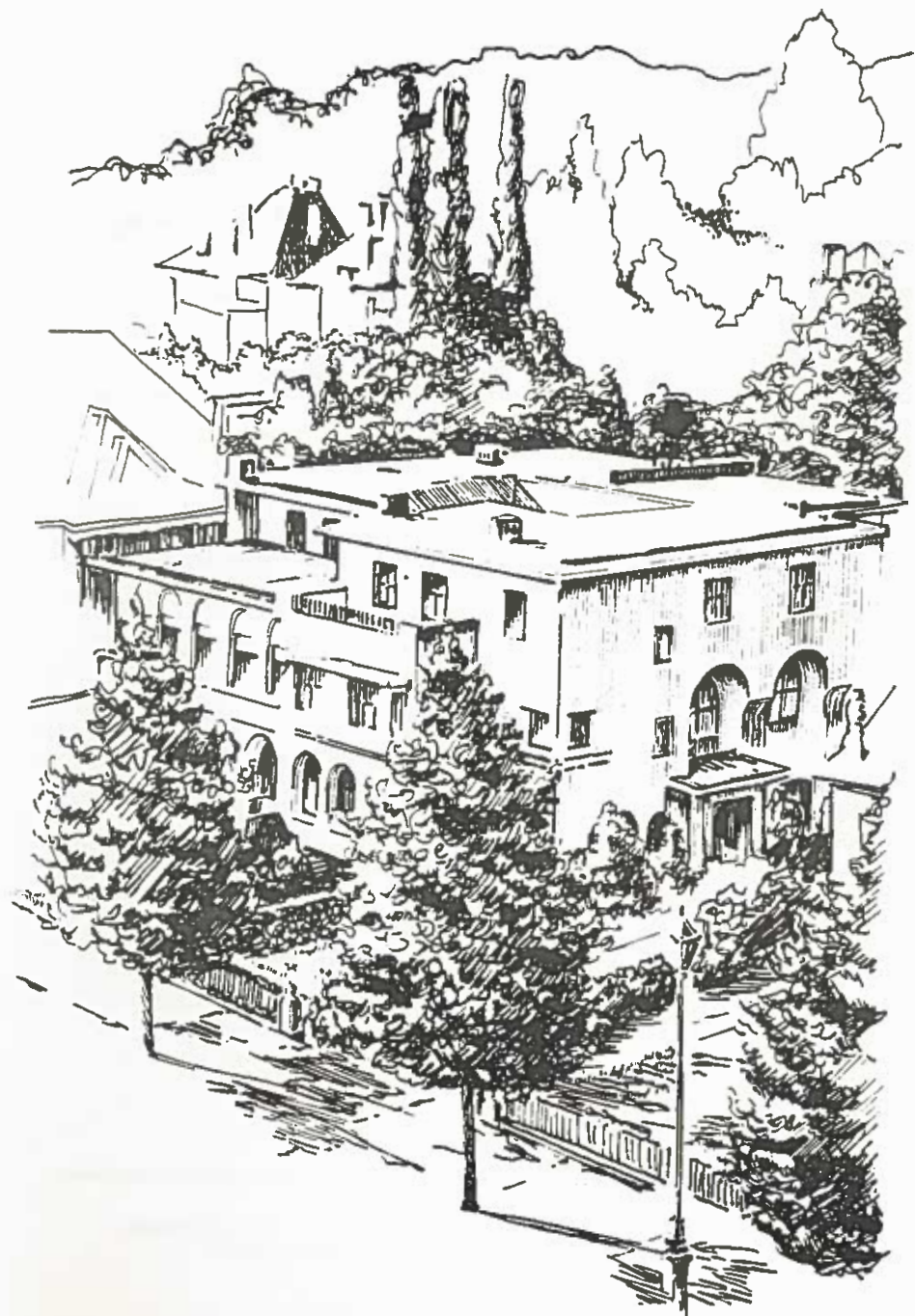
Students entering into their third year of law study and who have taken courses in public international law are encouraged to attend the second period of the Hague Academy of International Law on Public International Law, upon completion of the Brussels Seminar. For **information** regarding **The Hague Academy of International Law**, please address your letter directly to: **Secretariat, The Hague Academy of International Law, Peace Palace, The Hague, Netherlands**, or use its website: [www.hagueacademy.nl](http://www.hagueacademy.nl)

### Costs of Participating in the Seminar

The Seminar will meet the costs of tuition (including study materials) and lodgings of students participants for the period of the Seminar. The participants will also be guests of the Seminar for the excursions to Bruges and Luxembourg, and at receptions, luncheons, and the Annual Dinner organized for the Seminar. Facilities for meals will be available at the Universities at a greatly reduced price. Each U.S. student must pay the **registration fee of \$720\*** upon arrival at the Seminar. Each participant will be expected to provide his or her own transportation from the United States to Brussels and return. The Seminar will not pay any expenses for spouses or others accompanying participants.

\*Students from the sponsoring institutions will benefit from an adjustment in the registration fee.





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