

European Union Law and Governance in Populist Times

Jean Monnet Module 2019-2022

On site at UCLan Cyprus and virtually via MS Teams

18 - 19 September 2020
SUMMER SCHOOL

EU LAW AND GOVERNANCE IN POPULIST TIMES (#EU-POP)
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL LANCASHIRE, CYPRUS



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CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

The School of Law of UCLan Cyprus is pleased to announce a Summer School that will take place on the 18th and 19th of September 2020, within the framework of the Jean Monnet Module 'European Union Law and Governance in Populist Times.'

The Summer School will take place simultaneously on site at the UCLan Cyprus campus and online via Microsoft Teams.

The Project

The European Union is faced with a threat to its very foundations through the rise of right-wing populist narratives and political parties. The current climate of uncertainty, migration flows without adequate integration policies in many European countries, including Cyprus, and the rise of fake news particularly online, further exacerbated in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, constitute a fertile setting for the rise of right-wing populists. Such phenomena are damaging in themselves but also in relation to the protection of the rule of law and human rights. The proposed module is established on research-informed teaching of the soft and hard tools available at an EU level to challenge the right-wing populist threat and its manifestation in the form of (i) deterioration of the rule of law or risk thereto (ii) hate speech including online hate speech (iii) hate crime (iv) aggressive Euroscepticism currently tainting Europe at a local, national, and regional level. To this end, the module entitled 'European Union Law and Governance in Populist Times' was developed on the premise that there exists an urgent need to (i) develop research in the area, which continues to remain underdeveloped (ii) enhance teaching excellence in the field so as to ensure that young professionals and graduates are well equipped with the ability to understand the regulatory framework of the EU, (iii) foster coherent dialogue between stakeholders, civil society, and academics on the topic and (iv) offer a core output to the European Commission on guidelines for improvement of the current regulatory framework.



Watch our project video by clicking on the link below:

<https://bit.ly/39afxXk>

A black and white photograph showing the spines of several law books on a shelf. The books are bound in dark material with gold lettering. The visible text on the spines includes 'LAW REPORTS' and the numbers '172', '173', and '174'.

THE SUMMER SCHOOL

The Summer School will look at populism and its manifestations from the perspective of law, theory, and political science. Participants will gain a good understanding of the definitional, theoretical, and contextual framework of populism and its manifestations, as well as an in-depth understanding of the EU's toolbox in tackling effects of right-wing populism as these are witnessed today in Europe, including deteriorations of the rule of law, discriminatory policies, and hate speech. The Summer School will also include sessions on the socio-legal and political significance of protecting social and economic rights in times of crisis, the link between financial and social crises, and the rise of both right- and left-wing populism in Europe today. **Materials for the Summer School will be available electronically. For more information, including a frequently updated bibliography on the topic, visit <https://eupopulism.eu/>.**

The Summer School will employ a mélange of formal- and non-formal educational methodology, placing the learner at the epicentre of the learning process. It will include a selection of lectures, materials, but also interactive workshops led by eminent experts.

Certificates of completion will be issued to those attending the entire event.

Target Group

PhD students, early career researchers, advanced students in fields such as law, European Studies, sociology, or politics, policy-makers, members of civil society, stakeholders, professionals (**9 CPD hours**).

Costs

There is no registration cost. All meals will be provided to those attending in person.

Flights and accommodation for international participants are not covered. Given the current pandemic, **it is highly recommended that international participants attend virtually via MS Teams** (the link will be provided following registration).



CONTACT AND APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE

If you wish to apply for a place, please send **your CV and a 1-page cover letter** explaining why you wish to participate in the summer school, what you can contribute to it, and how you will use the learning outcomes in your academic/professional/social settings. **Please indicate whether you intend to participate in person or online (via MS Teams).**

You may send the above, or any other enquiries you have, to **info@eupopulism.eu**. For further information, you may reach us at +357 24694008.

Deadline to apply: 5th August 2020

Notification of results: 12th August 2020

PROGRAMME FOR THE JMM SUMMER SCHOOL

18 th SEPTEMBER 2020		19 th SEPTEMBER 2020	
14:30 - 15:00	Registration and Introduction: Prof Stéphanie Laulhé Shaelou	09:00 - 11:00	Workshop: Andrew Hadjigeorgiou 'The right to equality as a legal tool against right-wing populism and its use in the Cypriot national legal order'
15:00 - 17:00	Workshop: Dr Andreas Marcou 'Failures of democratic law-making and populist responses' Includes discussion of Judge Akis Hadjihambis's contribution 'Democracy—Its Own Enemy?'	11:00 - 11:15	Break
17:00 - 17:15	Break	11:15 - 13:15	Workshop: Dr Petr Oskolkov 'Similar but different: Right-wing populism cases in EU Member States'
17:15 - 19:15	Guest Lecture: Dr Petr Oskolkov 'Starring populism: Theoretical and Methodological Aspects'	13:15 - 14:15	Lunch
19:15	Reception	14:15 - 16:15	Workshop: Dr Katerina Kalaitzaki 'EU citizenship in the aftermath of the financial crisis: Stripping away rights or granting further protection?'
		16:15 - 16:30	Break
		16:30 - 18:30	Round Table Discussion Democracy and Memory Law: A Mnemonic Threat to the Rule of Law in Central and Eastern Europe (Discussion of the Inaugural Guest Lecture by Dr. Ulad Belavusau) Dr. Natalie Alkiviadou Conclusion Prof Stéphanie Laulhé Shaelou

ABOUT THE TEAM

Prof. Stéphanie Laulhé Shaelou,
EU-POP Leader and Academic
Coordinator, School of Law,
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Prof. Stéphanie Laulhé Shaelou has lectured, researched, supervised, transferred knowledge and run externally funded projects in several universities throughout Europe including Cyprus and the UK for the past 18 years. She is currently Professor of European Law and Reform and Head of the School of Law of the University of Central Lancashire in Cyprus (UCLan Cyprus). She is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy. She supervises numerous LLM dissertations and PhDs in fields related to her own research including the financial crisis, migration crisis, EU Citizenship, socio-economic rights in times of crisis, Brexit, the Rule of Law, privacy and other current issues in EU law. Amid the COVID-19 pandemic and other crises, she is the co-initiator of the Rule of Law Monitoring Mechanism <https://lawblog.uclan-cyprus.ac.cy/rolmm/>. She is now the Leader and Academic Coordinator of the Jean Monnet Module entitled 'European Union Law and Governance in Populist Times' (EU-POP) (2019-2022) <https://eupopulism.eu/> and Chief Editor of the Interdisciplinary Journal of Populism, an output of EU-POP <https://www.lawpop.eu/>. She was also the Leader and Academic Coordinator of a Jean Monnet Module entitled 'The Law of Financial and Economic Governance in the EU' (FEcoGov) (2014-2017) looking at the multiple implications of the financial crisis in Cyprus and the EU. This project secured the European Commission's label 'success story' and 'good practice' upon its completion (<https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/research/jean-monnet-module/>). She belongs to networks of academic or professional experts at the national and

EU level, is an expert of the European Commission and its Agencies, and currently participates among others to the Horizon 2020 Sherpa project looking at smart information systems and human rights (<https://www.project-sherpa.eu/>). She has been a legal expert for the Legal Services of the Republic of Cyprus assisting the Commission of Inquiry on the collapse of the cooperative bank (2018-19). She is a certified Mediator as well as a Data Protection Officer and is very active in the organisation and delivery of CPD courses at the School of Law (<https://www.uclancyprus.ac.cy/short-course/law-academy/>). She is the Founding Member and Director of the non-profit organisation ICLAIM (Interdisciplinary Centre for Law, Alternative and Innovative Methods) which is used as a social enterprise vehicle for social and community projects having an impact on the society (see www.iclaimcentre.org).

Ms. Andrea Manoli,
JMM Research Fellow

Andrea Manoli is a PhD candidate at UCLan and a Research Fellow of the Jean Monnet Module 'EU-POP' and of the Interdisciplinary Journal of Populism. Andrea is an Associate Lecturer at UCLan Cyprus. Her research interests include human rights, sociology of laws, colonialism, history of laws and children's rights. Her PhD focuses on the lack of child protection within the different de facto and de jure administrative jurisdictions in the Island of Cyprus, with a special reference to child victims of sexual exploitation. Andrea holds an LLM in International Commercial law, an MA in Security and Diplomacy, a TEFL and is a Certified Arbitrator. During her research, she completed a series of specialised courses including: Yale University – Moral Foundations of Politics; University of

Harvard EDx – Child Protection: Children's Rights in Theory and Practice; Leiden University – Certificate in Terrorism & Counter-terrorism; and Université de Genève – Certificate in Children's Rights: An Interdisciplinary Introduction. Andrea is the President of Lions Liberty Larnaca (2019- 2020) and has worked in political institutions and the legal profession (2014-2017). She was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Licensing Authority in early 2019.

Dr. Andreas Marcou,
JMM Research Fellow

Dr Andreas Marcou is a Visiting Fellow at the School of Law of UCLan University (Cyprus) and a Research Fellow of the Jean Monnet Module 'EU-POP'. Andreas completed his PhD in Law at Queen Mary, University of London in 2020. His PhD thesis, entitled 'A republican theory of civil disobedience', investigates civil disobedience as a political action within a democratic society. It proposes that deliberate lawbreaking can sometimes be seen as conducive to law's authority and democratic norms. His research interests include republican and liberal theories, law's authority, theories of democracy and legitimacy at the national and the European level, populist responses to democratic failures, and the duties and responsibilities of citizens within a liberal democracy. Andreas holds an LLB from Queen Mary University and an MA in Legal and Political Theory from University College London. He has experience in higher education teaching having taught modules such as 'Jurisprudence and Legal Theory', 'Law, Justice, and Ethics', 'Democracy and Justice', and 'Land Law'. Andreas is also the Editor of the Interdisciplinary Journal of Populism.

GUESTS

Dr. Petr Oskolkov,
Senior Lecturer at the Department of Comparative Politics, MGIMO, Russia

Dr. Petr Oskolkov, PhD in Political Science, Senior Lecturer at the Department for Comparative Politics, MGIMO University (Moscow, Russia); Senior Research Fellow at the Department for European Integration Studies, Institute of Europe (Russian Academy of Sciences). Field of research: party-political studies, ethnic politics, federalism. Participated in several Russian Scientific Foundation projects devoted to regional politics and electoral behavior. Authored a number of peer-reviewed articles in academic journals, several memos for international think-tanks (including International Centre for Ethnic and Linguistic Diversity Studies), authored a monograph "Right-Wing Populism in Europe", co-authored a number of other monographs and textbooks (including "Comparative Political Studies").

Dr. Natalie Alkiviadou,
Senior Research Fellow at Justitia, Denmark

Dr. Natalie Alkiviadou is Senior Research Fellow at Justitia, working on 'The Future of Free Speech' project. Her research interests lie in the freedom of expression, the far-right, hate speech, hate crime and non-discrimination. Her monograph 'The Far-Right in International and European Law' was published by Routledge in 2019 and her second monograph 'Legal Challenges to the Far-right: Lessons from England and Wales' was published by Routledge in 2019. Natalie has over ten years of experience in working with civil society, educators and public servants in the framework of her role as director and founder of AEQUITAS – an NGO working on human rights education. She

participates in European actions such as the High Level Group on Combatting Racism, Xenophobia and Other Forms of Intolerance. Natalie was the country researcher for a 2019 European Network against Racism report on Hate Crime and has drafted handbooks, strategy papers and shadow reports for projects funded by the Anna Lindh Foundation, the European Commission and the European Youth Foundation, on themes such as the rights of domestic workers in Cyprus and hate crime and extremism in young people.

Dr. Katerina Kalaitzaki,
Early Career Fellow in European Union
Law at the Edinburgh Law School, UK

Dr. Katerina Kalaitzaki was appointed as an Early Career Fellow in European Union Law at the Edinburgh Law School in September 2019. She is acting as the Programme Director for the European Law LLM programme (2019-20) and as the Course Organiser for various courses including the European Law Moot Court and Brexit: Withdrawal from the European Union. She has further teaching duties both on the LLM and the LLB programmes in the area of European Union Law. Katerina is also an accredited mediator in the UK since April 2019 and a non-practising lawyer (Cyprus Legal Board) since September 2015. She was awarded her PhD for her thesis "EU citizenship as a means of reinforcement of EU fundamental rights: challenges, developments, limits" in June 2019, after submitting it in December 2018. The research, using the case study of the financial crisis, proposes that a constructivist approach to EU citizenship can constitute the key element in reinforcing the current fundamental rights protection system, through a structural link with EU fundamental rights, based on a newly developed doctrine of the CJEU. Dr. Kalaitzaki's research interests lie in the area of EU Constitutional law including the areas of EU citizenship, EU fundamental

rights and the application of EU principles during times of crises. Current projects deal with the development and/or potential use of these concepts, during periods of crises such as Brexit and the rule of law crisis.

Mr. Andreas Hadjigeorgiou,
Legal Theorist

Andreas Hadjigeorgiou is a legal professional and legal theorist with an interdisciplinary perspective. He holds an LL.B in 'Law with International Studies' from the University of Surrey (UK) and an LL.M in 'Legal Theory' from the University of Vienna (Austria). He has also successfully completed all the taught courses for the Master's in the 'History of Philosophy' at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (GR). More recently he has submitted his thesis for a double PhD degree in Law and in Philosophy at the Universities of Antwerp (BE) and Groningen (NL). Parallel, he has completed a 12-months lawyer training at the Attorney General's Office for the Republic of Cyprus, and successfully passed the Cypriot bar exam. Andreas further acts as a scientific advisor for the Cypriot Youth Parliament (Internal Affairs Committee), and has also held two Directorship positions at ELSA Cyprus and the Cypriot Branch of the ILA.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Judge Dimitrios Hadjihambis (retired)

Demetrios Hadjihambis was born in 1946 in Famagusta, Cyprus. After completing his primary and secondary education there, he studied law in England. Being awarded the LL.B. degree with First Class Honours from the University of Exeter, he proceeded to the University of Cambridge at Jesus College where he was awarded the Ph.D. degree for his thesis on “Liability for Torts in Anglo-American Choice of Law”, prepared under the supervision of Professor K. Lipstein. Called to the Cyprus Bar, he practised law in Cyprus. He was also Lecturer-in-Law at the University of Exeter from 1974 until 1979. He was appointed a District Court Judge in 1982, being promoted to Senior District Judge in 1992 and to President of the District Court in 1995. In 1999 he was appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of Cyprus. In 2013 he was appointed President of the Supreme Court of Cyprus. He retired on 19th July 2014. He is an Honorary Fellow of the School of Law at UCLan Cyprus.

Dr. Uladzislau Belavusau, Senior Researcher, T.M.C. Asser Institute-University of Amsterdam

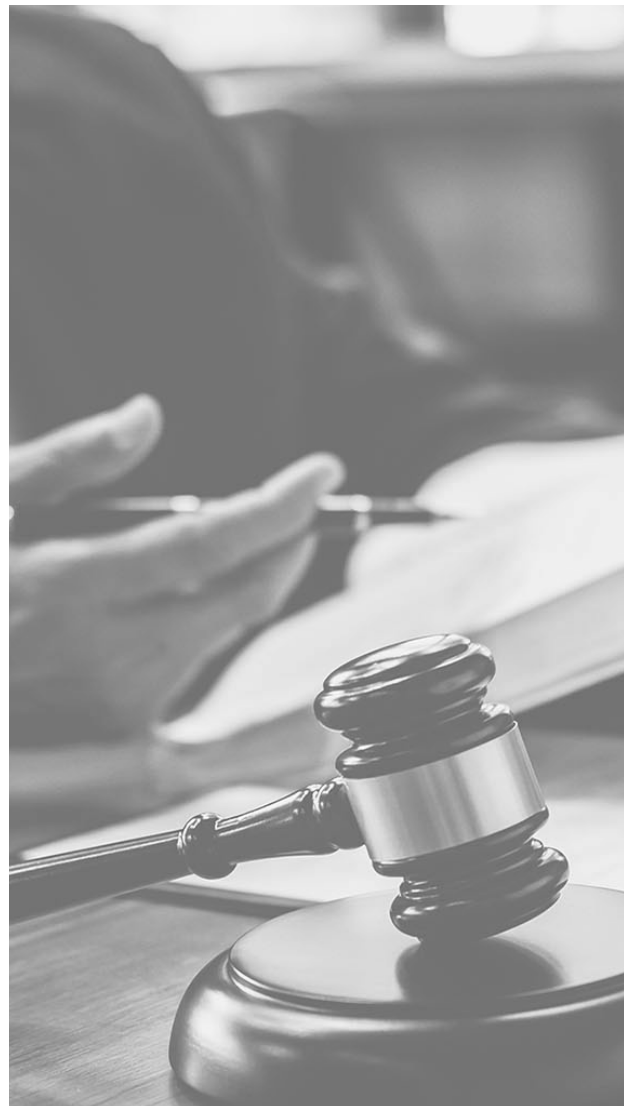
Dr Belavusau is Senior Researcher at the T.M.C. Asser Institute – University of Amsterdam (the Netherlands). Previously he was Assistant Professor of EU law and human rights at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and the University of Amsterdam. He holds a Ph.D. from the European University Institute (Florence) and an LL.M. from the Collège d'Europe (Bruges). Dr Belavusau has held visiting fellowships at the University of California

at Berkeley (USA), Max-Planck-Institut für ausländisches öffentliches Recht und Völkerrecht (Germany), York University (Canada), Tel Aviv University (Israel) and Milan-Bicocca University (Italy). In addition, he has been a visiting professor in a number of universities in Europe, USA, Canada and Israel. Dr. Belavusau has extensively published on EU anti-discrimination law, human rights and memory politics. In 2015, the International Association of Labour Law Journals conferred him the Marco Biagi Award for the best paper in labour law. He is the author of *Freedom of Speech: Importing European and US Constitutional Models in Transitional Democracies* (Routledge, 2013), as well as co-editor of *Law and Memory: Towards Legal Governance of History* (Cambridge University Press, 2017) and *EU Anti-Discrimination Law Beyond Gender* (Hart: Oxford, 2018).

Dr. Nasia Hadjigeorgiou, Assistant Professor, School of Law, UCLan Cyprus

Dr Nasia Hadjigeorgiou is an Assistant Professor in Human Rights and Transitional Justice and LLB Course Leader at the University of Central Lancashire Cyprus, where she is teaching, or has taught, among others, Human Rights, Public International Law, Public Law, Criminal Law and Peacebuilding and the Law. She holds an LLB with First Class Honours from University College London (2006-2009), an LLM from the University of Cambridge (2009-2010) and a PhD from King's College London (2011-2015). A development of her PhD thesis, published with Hart Publishing in 2020 as a monograph, is entitled 'Protect-

ing Human Rights and Building Peace in Post-violence Societies: An Underexplored Relationship' and focuses on the protection of human rights in Cyprus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Northern Ireland and South Africa. She is the editor of an edited book entitled 'Identity, Belonging and Human Rights' and has published a range of peer-reviewed articles and book chapters in the area of human rights in Cyprus and elsewhere, in both Greek and English. Finally, she has presented at conferences at the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, the London School of Economics, King's College London, Nottingham, Haifa, Tel-Aviv, Copenhagen, Cyprus and Ghent. Dr Hadjigeorgiou was awarded the Graduate School Studentship from King's College London (2011-2014), the Leventis Scholarship for academic excellence and research potential (2012-2014) and the Cyprus State Scholarship for academic excellence (2009-2010).



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