ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES (ART) STATUS DE LEGE LATA AND POSTULATES DE LEGE FERENDA

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VENUE OF THE CONFERENCE

University of Maribor
Slomškov trg 15, 2000 Maribor, Slovenia

CONCEPT

Assisted Reproductive Technologies (ART) – Status de lege lata and postulates de lege ferenda is the title of an international scientific conference organized by the Central European Academy as part of the research project entitled "The Regulation and Legal Practice of Assisted Reproductive Technologies and the Best Interests of the Child".
A team of international experts will engage in a scholarly discussion primarily focused on the normative regulations in force across various Central European countries. Additionally, the conference will explore the axiological foundations of ART application, perspectives from both universal and regional international law, as well as the doctrinal positions of selected churches and religious organizations.
The rationale for debating these issues stems, among other factors, from legal uncertainties arising from advances in medical science and the use of modern reproductive technologies, particularly in addressing demographic challenges. As indicated by the conference title, the speakers will not only analyze the current legal framework (status de lege lata) but also formulate de lege ferenda proposals aimed at resolving numerous legal and ethical dilemmas related to the application of ART.

PARTNERS

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09.30 - 10.00 **REGISTRATION**
WELCOME COFFEE

SECTION 1

Moderator: Prof. UO Dr. Paweł Sobczyk, Associate Professor, University of Opole, Poland

10.00 - 10.10 **OPENING SPEECH**
Prof. Dr. Aleš Ferčič, Vice-dean, University of Maribor, Slovania

10.10 - 10.30 **UPCOMING PROGRAMMES OF THE CEA**
Prof. Dr. Tímea Dr. Heinerné Barzó, General Director, Central European Academy; Full Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary

10.30 - 10.50 **SEXUAL ACTIVITY IN OLDER ADULTS AGED 55+ - MYTH OR REALITY?**
Prof. Dr. EMER. Jana Goriup, Full Professor, Alma Mater Europaea University, Slovenia

10.50 - 11.10 **LEGAL CHALLENGES IN CONTEMPORARY REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE**
Dr. Urban Vrtačnik, Researcher, Law and Bioethics, Slovenia

11.10 - 11.30 **THE RIGHT TO REPRODUCTION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**
Prof. Dr. Suzana Kraljić, Full Professor, University of Maribor, Slovenia

11.30 - 11.50 **DISCUSSION**

11.50 - 13.20 **LUNCH BREAK**

SECTION 2

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Aleksandra Korać Graovac, Full Professor, University of Zagreb, Croatia

13.20 - 13.40	**THE FUTURE OF HUMAN REPRODUCTION: A CHILD-CENTERED APPROACH TO EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES** Dr. Lilla Garayová, Associate Professor, Pan-European University, Slovakia
13.40 - 14.00	**RIGHTS/INTERESTS OF THE FUTURE CHILD IF CONCEIVED BY ART** Prof. Dr. Gordana Kovaček Stanić, Full Professor, University of Novi Sad, Serbia
14.00 - 14.20	**INTERNATIONAL STANDARD FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS VERSUS ART. WHAT ABOUT THE FUTURE?** Prof. UO Dr. Paweł Sobczyk, Associate Professor, University of Opole, Poland
14.20 - 14.40	**MUTUAL ASSISTANCE OF THE STATE AND THE CHURCH FOR FAMILIES STRUGGLING WITH THE PROBLEM OF CHILDLESSNESS** Prof. ASzWoj Dr. Marek Bielecki, Associate Professor, War Studies University in Warsaw, Poland
14.40 - 15.00	**DISCUSSION**
15.00 - 15.30	**COFFEE BREAK**

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SECTION 3

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Attila Dudás, Full Professor, University of Novi Sad, Serbia

15.30 - 15.50	**CROATIA: ART AND THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD IN CROATIA** Prof. Dr. Aleksandra Korać Graovac, Full Professor, University of Zagreb, Croatia
15.50 - 16.10	**CZECHIA: ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES AND THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD IN CZECHIA** Prof. Dr. Zdeňka Králíčková, Full Professor, Masaryk University, Czech Republic
16.10 - 16.30	**POLAND: MEDICALLY ASSISTED REPRODUCTION – MAIN IDEOLOGICAL AND LEGAL DISPUTES IN POLAND** Prof. INP PAN Dr. Marek Andrzejewski, Institute of Law Studies of the Polish Academy of Science, Poland
16.30 - 16.50	**ROMANIA: ROMANIAN LEGISLATION ON ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES – THE DIMINISHED PRESENT AND THE POSSIBLE BRIGHTER FUTURE** Dr. Emese Florian, Full Professor, Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania and Dr. Marius-Ioan Floare, Assistant Professor, Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania

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16.50 - 17.10	**THEORETICAL AND PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF SURROGACY IN HUNGARY** Prof. Dr. Tímea Dr. Heinerné Barzó, General Director, Central European Academy; Full Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary
17.10 - 17.30	**DISCUSSION**
17.30 - 17.40	**CLOSING OF THE DAY** Prof. Dr. János Ede Szilágyi, Central European Academy; Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary

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