



Civil and Commercial Codes: Dualism vs Monism in Private Law – A Historical Perspective

The 150th Anniversary of the Hungarian Commercial Act (1875–2025)

Friday, 21 November 2025

Venue: Péter Pázmány Catholic University, Budapest, Szentkirályi u. 28-30

08.30-09.00 Registration

09.00-09.10 **Welcome Addresses**

Dr. László Komáromi, Péter Pázmány Catholic University, Faculty of Law, dean
Prof. Dr. Emőd Veress, Central European Association for Comparative Law, president

09.10-09.20 **Opening Address**

Prof. Dr. Lajos Vékás (Loránd Eötvös University, Budapest; member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences)

SECTION I

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Attila Dudás

09.20-09.40 Prof. Dr. Csehi Zoltán (Péter Pázmány Catholic University, Budapest; judge, Court of Justice of the European Union): The importance of the Commercial Code of 1875 from Ferenc Nagy to the Present Day

09.40-10.00 Prof. Dr. Walter Doralt (University of Graz): Origins and History of the Commercial Law Codification in Austria and Germany and its Evolution into the 21st Century – the Interaction between Commercial and Civil Law Rules

10.00-10.20 Coffee-break

SECTION II

10.20-10.40 Prof. Dr. Gustavo Vieira-Da-Costa-Cerqueira (Université Côte d'Azur, Nice): Persistent Dualism in French Private Law: Historical Roots

10.40-11.00 Prof. Dr. Lukas Rass Masson (Université Toulouse 1 Capitole): Persistent Dualism in French Private Law: Contemporary Challenges



11.00-11.20 Prof. Dr. Antonio Tisci (Università degli studi della Campania Luigi Vanvitelli): Civil Law and Commercial Law: A Disjunctive Conjunction? The Experience of Italian Codification (1865–1942)

11.20-11.40 Prof. Dr. Emőd Veress (University of Miskolc): Civil and Commercial Obligations in Hungary and Romania from Historical Perspective: Antagonism or Complementarity?

11.40-12.10 Questions & Answers Sections I-II

12.30-14.00 Light lunch for registered participants (at the conference venue)

SECTION III

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Emőd Veress

14.00-14.20 Prof. Dr. Attila Dudás (University of Novi Sad): From the Principle of Dualism in 19th Century to the Principle of Monism in the 1978 Yugoslav Obligations Act

14.20-14.40 Dr. András József Pomeisl (Péter Pázmány Catholic University, Budapest): Regulation of commercial companies in Hungary from the Commercial Code (1875) to the Civil Code (1959)

14.40-15.00 Dr. Kristián Csach (University of Trnava): Puzzle Made in Slovakia: When Civil and Commercial Law Don't Click

15.00-15.20 Patryk Leks (Uniwersytet Śląski w Katowicach): Civil and Commercial Codes under Polish Law – Historical and Contemporary Perspective

15.20-15.40 Questions & Answers Section III

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