

HUMAN RIGHTS DAYS II

Conference and Workshop

Challenges and Best Practices
in Central and Eastern Europe

10-11 April 2026



WORKSHOP

ORGANISER

Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc

DATE OF THE WORKSHOP

9 April 2026

VENUE OF THE WORKSHOP

CEA UM - Diósgyőr auditorium
(Major Udvar Office Building, HU-1122 Budapest, Városmajor utca 12-14.)

CONCEPT

The first day of the on-site training programme revolves around questions of constitutional identity and rule of law. The morning session will be dedicated to a regular LLM lecture, whereas the afternoon session will be an interactive workshop where students will have the opportunity to discuss current challenges of the rule of law and compare legislative solutions across Central and Eastern European countries. The lecture and the workshop will address issues such as the role of constitutional identity and its implications in the context of EU membership or EU enlargement.

PARTNERS

Faculty of Law of the University of Miskolc



08.00 - 08.30

WELCOME COFFEE

08:30 – 11:45

CONSTITUTIONAL IDENTITY AND THE RULE OF LAW

Dr. Ivan Jokanović, Senior Researcher, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc, Hungary

11:45 – 13:00

LUNCH BREAK

13:00 – 14:30

CONSTITUTIONAL IDENTITY - WORKSHOP

Prof. Dr. Tanja Karakamisheva-Jovanovska, Full Professor, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, North Macedonia

14:30 – 15:00

COFFEE BREAK

15:00 – 16:30

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16:30 – 16:45

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16:45 – 17:30

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10 APRIL

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VENUE OF THE CONFERENCE

Aranybástya

Hungary - 1015, Budapest, Csónak str 1.

CONCEPT

Human Rights Days II is the second annual international human rights conference organised by the Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc. The opening conference, held in 2025, marked the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the European Convention on Human Rights in Rome. This year's conference celebrates the presentation of four human rights-themed books published in the book series "Human Rights – Children's Rights" by the Central European Academic Publishing.

The conference, therefore, follows the topics addressed in the presented books, including universal human rights protection in the United Nations; the European Convention on Human Rights; the protection of human rights in other regional human rights systems; and the protection of the environment in international human rights law. The specificities of the presented books are, on the one hand, that they address human rights issues from a Central European perspective in the aforementioned contexts, and on the other, that they integrate the contributions of authors from the region. Human Rights Days II serves as a platform for discussion with the editors and authors of the newly published books, revolving around the best practices and specific challenges in the field of human rights in the region.

PARTNERS

Faculty of Law of the University of Miskolc,
Central European Association for Comparative Law (CEACLAW)
Human Rights Center of the CEACLAW
MTA - Miskolc Academic Committee



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- Prof. Dr. Tímea Dr. Heinerné Barzó, General Director, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Full Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary

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- Dr. Enikő Krajnyák, Head of the Institute for Human Rights European Law and Senior Researcher, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Assistant Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary
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- Dr. Roland Lindt, Associate Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary
- Erzsébet-Zsófia Szabó, Young Researcher, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc

08.00 - 08.30 WELCOME COFFEE

OPENING PANEL

Moderator: Dr. Anikó Raisz, Associate Professor, University of Miskolc; Minister of State for Environmental Affairs, Hungary

08.30 - 08.40 WELCOME SPEECH ON BEHALF OF THE ORGANISERS

Prof. Dr. Tímea Dr. Heinerné Barzó, General Director, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Full Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary

08.40 - 09.00 INTRODUCTION OF THE CENTRAL EUROPEAN ACADEMY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MISKOLC PROGRAMMES

Prof. Dr. János Ede Szilágyi, Strategy Director, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Full Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary

09.00 - 09.45 CHALLENGES FOR THE EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Prof. Dr. Péter Paczolay, Judge, European Court of Human Rights; Professor Emeritus, University of Szeged, Hungary

SECTION 1 - ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Book presentation

Moderator: Dr. Enikő Krajnyák, Head of the Institute for Human Rights European Law and Senior Researcher, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Assistant Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary

09.45 - 10.30

Participants:

- Prof. Dr. Péter Kovács, Former Judge, International Criminal Court; Research Professor, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Hungary
- Prof. Dr. Péter Paczolay, Judge, European Court of Human Rights; Professor Emeritus, University of Szeged, Hungary;
- Dr. Anikó Raisz, Associate Professor, University of Miskolc, Minister of State for Environmental Affairs, Hungary;
- Dr. Katarzyna Zombory, Research Director, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Chairwoman, The Human Rights Center of the Central European Association for Comparative Law, Hungary

10.30 - 11.00

COFFEE BREAK**SECTION 2 - LECTURES**

Moderator: Dr. Enikő Krajnyák, Head of the Institute for Human Rights European Law and Senior Researcher, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Assistant Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary

11.00 - 12.30

THE PROTECTION OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS IN THE CONSTITUTIONS OF THE CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPEAN STATES

Prof. UKSW Dr. Aleksandra Syryt, University Professor, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, Poland

12.30 - 14.00

LUNCH BREAK

14.00 - 15.30

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS ADJUDICATION IN EASTERN EUROPE

Prof. Dr. Rodoljub Etinski, Full Professor, University of Novi Sad, Serbia

15.30 - 16.00

COFFEE BREAK**SECTION 3 - ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

The Human Rights Center of the Central European Association for Comparative Law

Moderator: Dr. Katarzyna Zombory, Research Director, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Chairwoman, The Human Rights Center of the Central European Association for Comparative Law, Hungary

16.00 - 16.45

Participants:

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- Prof. UKSW Dr. Aleksandra Syryt, University Professor, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, Poland;
- Dr. Katarína Šmigová, Dean, Associate Professor, Pan-European University, Slovakia;
- Prof. UO Dr. Paweł Sobczyk, University Professor, University of Opole, Poland

16.45 - 16.55

CLOSING OF THE DAY

Dr. Katarzyna Zombory, Research Director, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Chairwoman, The Human Rights Center of the Central European Association for Comparative Law, Hungary

08.00 - 08.30

WELCOME COFFEE**SECTION 4**

Moderator: Dr. Ivan Jokanović, Senior Researcher, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc, Hungary

08.30 - 09.00

KEYNOTE SPEECH - THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON AS THE FUNDAMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Prof. Dr. Balázs Schanda, Judge, Constitutional Court of Hungary; Full Professor, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Hungary

09.00 - 10.30

RESTITUTION OF NATIONALIZED AND COOPERATIVIZED PROPERTY, COMPENSATIONS: PRIVATE (INCLUDING AGRICULTURAL) ASSETS, CHURCH AND CULTURAL PROPERTY, PROPERTY OF NATIONAL MINORITY ORGANIZATIONS

Dr. Nataša Plavšić, Judge, Constitutional Court of the Republic of Serbia, Serbia

10.30 - 11.00

COFFEE BREAK

11.00 - 12.30

THE ROLE OF THE AGENT OF THE STATE IN THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE FRAMEWORK

Dr. Nataša Plavšić, Judge, Constitutional Court of the Republic of Serbia, Serbia

12.30 - 14.00

LUNCH BREAK

SECTION 5

Moderator: Dr. Enikő Krajnyák, Head of the Institute for Human Rights European Law and Senior Researcher, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc; Assistant Professor, University of Miskolc, Hungary

14.00 - 15.30

FAMILY SUPPORT THROUGH SOCIAL RIGHTS

Prof. Dr. Grega Strban, Full Professor, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

15.30 - 16.00

COFFEE BREAK

16.00 - 16.45

THE PROTECTION OF MARRIAGE, AND THE ISSUE OF ADOPTION, SURROGACY AND ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, THE SCOPE OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

Dr. Sibilla Buletsa, Research Professor, Central European Academy of the University of Miskolc, Hungary

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