

CONTESTED FUNDAMENTALS OF THE LAW OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WEBINAR

2 OCTOBER 2020
2:00-7:00PM

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International organizations have existed since the nineteenth century but their essential legal features are still disputed. It is striking that issues such as the acquisition and incidents of international legal personality and the validity of ultra vires acts are as controversial today as they were when the League of Nations was created. Against this backdrop, the purpose of the seminar is to revisit the contested fundamentals of the law of international organizations and to situate them in the context of current issues faced by the international community. The first panel focuses on the concept of an international organization in international law, tackling issues such as autonomy from member states, transparency of the institutional veil, and the appropriateness of the analogy with states. The second panel focuses on issues of accountability, discussing alternative routes to international responsibility, immunities before domestic courts, and the settlement of disputes by arbitral tribunals.

2:00PM **WELCOME**
ROGER O'KEEFE Bocconi University

2:15PM **PANEL 1 – THE CONCEPT OF AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION**
Panelists
CATHERINE BRÖLMANN University of Amsterdam
FERNANDO LUSA BORDIN University of Cambridge
RICHARD COLLINS University College Dublin
Comment
IRINI PAPANICOLOPULU Università degli Studi di Milano–Bicocca

3:45PM **BREAK**

4:15PM **PANEL 2 – THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**
Panelists
GIOVANNA ADINOLFI Università degli Studi di Milano
MARTINA BUSCEMI Università degli Studi di Milano
RUTSEL MARTHA Lindeborg Counsellors at Law
Comment
MIRIAM ALLENA Bocconi University

5:45PM **KEYNOTE SPEECH**
JAN KLABBERS University of Helsinki

6:45PM **CLOSING REMARKS**
LORENZO GASBARRI Bocconi University

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