

**EIUC training seminar on the:  
“EU Charter of fundamental rights”**

Draft programme – Prof. Jean-Paul Jacqu 

**Abstract**

Since the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty, The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union has acquired the same legal value as the Treaties. The rights protected by the Charter have to be respected by the Union’s institutions, as well as the by each Member State every time they apply EU Law. As a consequence, the Charter can be called upon when resorting to the national jurisdictions for legal questions relating to EU Law. Since five years, the Court of Justice of the European Union has progressively developed its case law on the scope of application of the Charter, more specifically in domestic law, but also on the content of the protected rights.

The object of this training course is to explore the scope and usefulness of the Charter for the legal practitioners facing the national courts or the Court of Justice of the EU, mostly by means of preliminary reference. Among the existing mechanisms, specific attention will be drawn to the hypothesis when the Charter can be directly applied, as well as to the main fields of application when a specific appeal is submitted. The course is conceived not only for practitioners who are specialized in EU Law, but for all jurists who – despite not treating EU files frequently – can be confronted with different case law where EU Law applies, and who can then uphold the rights guaranteed by the Charter against a national law or legal practice (family law, criminal law, asylum and immigration law, free movement of goods and workers, right of respect of private life, etc.)

**Draft Programme**

Day one – Friday 6 February 2015

- 9h30 – 11h00 : **General Introduction**

(Why a Charter, the drafting of the Charter, the Charter’s inclusion in the Treaty, General overview, the relationship between the Charter and the ECHR, the relationship between the Charter and national constitutions)

*Trainer:* John Morijn, University of Groningen

- 11h30-13h00 : **The enforcement of the Charter at the domestic level**

(Scope of the Charter, horizontal effect, Rights and principles)

*Trainer:* Jean Paul Jacqu , University of Strasbourg

- 14h30-16h00 : **Human dignity**

*Trainer:* Catherine Dupr , University of Exeter

- 16h30-18h00 : **Freedoms** (articles 6-19)

- *Trainer:* Julie-Lise Vondung, European Commission - Legal Service

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Day two – Saturday 7 February 2015

- 9h00-11h00 : ***Asylum and Immigration***

*Trainer:* Steve Peers, University of Essex

- 11h30-13h00 : ***Economic and Social Rights***

*Trainer:* Jeffrey Kenner, University of Nottingham

- 14h30-16h00 : ***Judicial Rights***

*Trainer:* Jeffrey Kenner, University of Nottingham

- 16h30-18h00 : ***Limitations and conflicts among rights***

*Trainer:* Daniel Sarmiento Ramirez-Escudo, Référendaire at Court of Justice of the EU

- 18h00 : ***Conclusions***