## "Independence of Lawyers – Current Challenges" conference schedule 12 May 2021

13:00 - 13:10	Welcome speech:  - Włodzimierz Chróścik, attorney-at-law, President of the National Bar of Attorneys-at-Law in Poland  - Monika Całkiewicz, attorney-at-law, Dean of the Council of the Warsaw Bar Association of Attorneys-at-Law
Conference Speakers – Country Representatives:	
13:15	- Armenia, speaker: Ara Zohrabyan, Chairman of the Armenian Bar Association; Speech in Russian: Guarantees of Advocates in Armenia
13:35	- Belarus, speaker: Professor Liudmila Uliashyna, Head of the Committee Program "Law, Political Science and Economics", Centre for Constitutionalism and Human Rights of the European Humanity University  Speech in English: Lawyers' guaranties and clients'rights in danger. Current challenges to the integrity of the legal profession in Belarus
13:55	- Georgia, speaker: David Asatiani, President of the Georgian Bar Association  Speech in English: Way ahead for progress of legal profession - Georgian Perspective
14:15	<ul> <li>Moldova, speaker: Angela Popil, Member of the Board of Moldova Bar Association, Head of the BAA Avornic &amp; Partners</li> <li>Speech in English: Coronavirus pandemic period - threats and challenges for Moldovan lawyers</li> </ul>
14:35	- Russia, speaker: Elena Avakyan, Council Member of the Russian Federal Bar Association Speech in Russian: Digitalization as a basic condition for independence of lawyers profession
14:55	- Ukraine, speaker: Vitalii Vlasiuk, lawyer, Ph.D, Head of International Law Commit- tee of Ukrainian National Bar Association. Advisor to the Prime-Minister of Ukraine Speech in English: Advocacy in Ukraine: the core stories for the last year
15:15	- Poland, speaker: Mateusz Woiński, PhD, attorney-at-law, representing the Warsaw Bar Association of Attorneys-at-Law Speech in Polish: Disciplinary liability and the independence of Polish attorneys-at-law
15:35	Conference conclusions and closing: Maria Ślązak, attorney-at-law, Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National Bar Council of Attorneys-at-Law in Poland, Member of the National Bar Council of Attorneys-at-Law in Poland, President of the European Association of Lawyers AEA-EAL, former President of the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe CCBE (2015), as well as Michał Korwek, attorney-at-law, Vice-President of the National Bar Council of Attorneys-at-Law in Poland (International Affairs).

## Conference moderators:

- **Joanna Wisła-Płonka**, attorney-at-law, Chair of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National Bar Council of Attorneys-at-Law in Poland, Member of the National Bar Council of Attorneys-at-Law in Poland, Chair of the CCBE European Lawyers Committee;
- Magdalena Bartosiewicz, attorney-at-law, Chair of the Foreign Affairs and Human Rights Committee of the Warsaw Bar Association of Attorneys-at-Law, Member of the Council of the Warsaw Bar Association of Attorneys-at-Law, Member of the National Bar Council of Attorneys-at-Law in Poland.