

## List of speakers

**Prof. Dr. Christian von Bar**, Chairman of the Study Group on a European Contract Law, Director of the Institute of Private International Law and Comparative Law, University of Osnabrück

**Dr. Wolfgang Baumann**, Notar, Wuppertal

**Prof. Dr. Sergio Cámara Lapuente**, Member of the Common Core of European Private Law – Trento Group, University of La Rioja

**Univ. Doz. Dr. Hanspeter Hanreich**, Abteilungsleiter, Wirtschaftskammer Österreich, Vienna

**Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult. Ole Lando**, Chairman of the Commission on European Contract Law, Business School, Copenhagen

**Mr. Klaus-Heiner Lehne**, Member of the European Parliament, Committee on Legal Affairs and the Internal Market, Strasbourg, Brussels

**Prof. Dr. Hans-W. Micklitz**, University of Bamberg, Head of the Institute of European and Consumer Law, Berlin

**Mr. Jean-Baptiste Racine**, Maître de conférences, University of Nice – Sophia Antipolis

**Ms. Hilary Siddle**, Chairperson on the Law Reform Board of the Law Society of England and Wales, London (invited)

**Prof. Dr. Jan Smits**, University of Maastricht

**Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Hans Jürgen Sonnenberger**, Director of the Institute of Private International Law – Comparative Law, University of Munich

**Mr. Dirk Staudenmayer**, Assistant to the Director-General, European Commission, Health and Consumer Protection Directorate-General, Brussels

**Prof. Dr. Gerhard Wagner**, University of Bonn

**Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Thomas Wilhelmsson**, University of Helsinki

**Mr. Michael Wills** MP, Parliamentary Secretary at the Lord Chancellor's Department, London (invited)



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After the publication of the Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on European Contract Law (OJ C 255, 13.9.2001) the Commission received many contributions from different institutions, consumer and professional organisations and the academic world. On 15 November 2001 the European Parliament adopted the Resolution on the approximation of the civil and commercial law of the Member States. The Parliament welcomes an action plan which aims at the "establishment and adoption of a body of rules on contract law in the European Union".

Pursuant to these developments the aim of this conference is to continue the discussion about European Contract Law with all interested parties.

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## Thursday 14 March 2002

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- 08.30 Arrival and registration of participants
- 09.00 Welcome and Introduction  
*Wolfgang Heusel*

### ***I. Is Harmonisation of Contract Law Necessary? – Pros and Cons***

- 09.15 *Hans Jürgen Sonnenberger*
- 10.00 *Jean-Baptiste Racine*
- 10.45 Coffee break
- 11.00 *Michael Wills*
- 11.45 Discussion
- 12.15 **The Economics of Harmonisation**  
*Gerhard Wagner*
- 13.00 Lunch

## ***II. Commission Communication COM (2001) 398: The Four Options***

### **14.30 Round Table Discussion**

Chairperson: *Thomas Wilhelmsson*,  
University of Helsinki

- *Christian von Bar*, Study Group on a European Civil Code
- *Wolfgang Baumann*, Bundesnotarkammer
- *Hanspeter Hanreich*, Wirtschaftskammer Österreich
- *Ole Lando*, Commission on European Contract Law
- *Hans-W. Micklitz*, European Consumer Law Group
- *Hilary Siddle*, The Law Society
- *Jan Smits*, University of Maastricht

- 16.30 Coffee break
- 17.00 Discussion
- 18.00 End of the first day
- 20.00 Dinner

## Friday 15 March 2002

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### ***III. Future Developments***

- 09.15 **Future Prospects for European Contract Law**  
*Dirk Staudenmayer*
- 10.15 Discussion
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 11.00 **The European Parliament Resolution on the Approximation of the Civil and Commercial Law of the Member States**  
*Klaus-Heiner Lehne*
- 12.00 Discussion
- 12.15 **Closing Speech**  
*Sergio Cámara Lapuente*
- 13.00 End of the seminar

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