

CONFERENCE ON «LAW TEACHING AND LEARNING»

HOMMAGE TO PROFESSOR HILMAR FENGE

(on the Occasion of his 90th Birthday)

Saturday, December 11, 2021

OPENING

0:00 – 5:42

Personal Exchange of Welcoming Words by the Participants

5:42 - 13:34 “Realizing the Hope”

Introduction of the Guest of Honor, Professor Fenge (University of Hannover), by Professor Vasco Pereira da Silva, University of Lisbon, Head of the ELPIS Network

Professor Pereira da Silva shared a considerable wealth of his personal ELPIS memories with Professor Fenge, vis-à-vis the modification of necessities, over the last decades, in regard to teaching young European lawyers (which is the core subject of ELPIS)

14:00 – 26:59 Professor Fenge’s Speech

In his response, the jubilee Professor Fenge shared his multiple insights regarding the correlation of teaching and learning, as seen through his rich ELPIS experience since the early 1980s. He hereby depicted how ELPIS managed to advance to be one of the most important comparable networks worldwide

PANEL 1

"The ELPIS Experience: From its Beginnings until today"

0:00 – 0:57 Introduction by Moderator: Professor Vasco Pereira da Silva (University of Lisbon)

0:57 – 13:02 “Strengthening the Preexisting”

Professor Bernd H. Oppermann (University of Hannover),

Professor Oppermann, commencing based on Professor Fenge's contribution to the latest (5th) Collective ELPIS Volume, pointed out the aim of the ELPIS Network, especially various ways of academic exchange facilities, all seen through the history of the Program's organisational foundations, despite moments of certain national setbacks (Brexit) and the pandemic problems, which strengthened the preexisting structures of ELPIS

13:32 – 31:20 “A Perfect Duty”

Professor Claas Friedrich Germelmann (University of Hannover),

Professor Germelmann provided a twofold analysis, focused both on his experience with the ELPIS Network, which has been constantly increasing over the last decades, and on the fruitful development of the ELPIS II Master Studies Program, pointing out the special significance of Comparative Law as a part of ELPIS Research as well as using modern technological facilities (ELPIS Online Series) – elements that are helpful in keeping up ELPIS

31:34 – 50:37 Discussion

(31:56 – 32:51 Professor Athanassios Kaissis (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki): Disruptive character of digital technological development

32:52 – 36:08 “We're flexible and try to adapt to all the situations”: Professor Pereira da Silva's response, pointing out the necessity of a balance between tradition and innovation

36:11 – 38:42 Professor Dimitra Tekidou (Communal University for Administration in Lower Saxony, Hannover) “Comparative Perspective of Law Teaching seen through an ELPIS Student”, sharing her experience of being an ELPIS student in Hannover and other network member universities, up to being a doctoral student of Professor Fenge)

38:42 – 39:17 Response by Professor Pereira da Silva

39:17 – 39:32 Addendum by Professor Tekidou,

39:32 - 39:50 Response by Professor Pereira da Silva

39:50 – 42:27 Professor Andreas Schwartze (University of Innsbruck): Innsbruck experiences of international cooperation; every network needs its own profile; cross-border cooperations are mainly based on personal relations, which is eased through the ELPIS Network structure

42:27 – 44:51 Response by Professor Pereira da Silva: Idea of travelling and studying abroad

44:51 – 47:10 Professor Arndt Künnecke (Federal University for Public Administration, Brühl) “In the world of networks, our net works”

47:10 – 49:38 Response by Professor Pereira da Silva: ELPIS Rule “Not lose anyone”

49:38 – 50:03 Professor Fenge, Personal Remark

50:03 – 50:37 Response by Professor Charoula Apalagaki (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki) and Professor Pereira da Silva

0:00 – 0:40 Professor Pereira da Silva

PANEL 2

"Modern Law Teaching in Pandemic Times - The Approach of Professor Fenge's Pupils"

0:40 – 7:31 Introduction and Personal Words about the Jubilee by Moderator: Prof. Athanassios Kaissis (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

7:31 – 22:26 “Combining the Traditional Way of Learning with New Methods”

Professor Charoula Apalagaki (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki),

Professor Apalagaki shared also some personal memories of hers about the Jubilee and ELPIS, and depicted vividly the teaching and learning *modus vivendi* of the Aristotle University after the end of the lockdown due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

22:27 – 24:01 Moderator Response: “The Best Approach for the Students”: Is it Important for the Students to provide them digital or learning in person?

24:22 – 26:18 Professor Anastasia Grammatikaki-Alexiou (Aristotle University Thessaloniki), Personal Remarks about the Jubilee

26:33 – 28:36 Professor Apalagaki Response to the Moderator’s Question, concerning the Greek University Experience

28:44 – 35:15 Professor Pereira da Silva Response to the Moderator’s Question, concerning the ELPIS Experience, including the ELPIS/US (Online) Transatlantic Legal Lectures

35:15 – 37:29 Professor Caroula Argyriadis Kervegan (CY Cergy Paris Université) Response to the Moderator’s Question, concerning the French University Experience

37:29 – 40:22 Moderator Addendum

40:22 – 42:34 Astrid van Dort (University of Groningen) Response to the Moderator’s Question, concerning the Dutch University Experience

42:34 – 44:46 Moderator Addendum

44:46 – 45:52 Professor Dimitra Tekidou (Communal University for Administration in Lower Saxony, Hannover) Response to the Moderator's Question, concerning her personal University Experience

45:52 – 46:41 Moderator Addendum

46:41 – 1:03:56 “Stay Forever Young”

Professor Andreas Schwartz (University of Innsbruck),

Professor Schwartz shared also some personal memories of his about the Jubilee and the ELPIS program and depicted vividly the teaching and learning *modus vivendi* of the University of Innsbruck vis-à-vis the lockdown due to the Coronavirus pandemic, pointing out his scepticism whether online teaching will be a sufficient solution for the future of modern law teaching

1:04:01 – 1:05:00 Professor Pereira da Silva Technical Response

1:05:00 – 1:05:02 Moderator Addendum

1:05:03 – 1:08:54 Professor Apalagaki Response

1:08:55 – 1:10:37 Moderator Addendum

1:10:37 – 1:11:26 Professor Apalagaki Response (Greek Civil Court's Experience)

1:11:27 – 1:12:39 Moderator Addendum

1:12:39 – 1:12:58 Professor Pereira da Silva

0:00 – 2:17 Professor Pereira da Silva: *“Combine the Best of Both Worlds”*

PANEL 3

"Outlook: Thoughts about Modern Law Teaching from 2022 Onwards"

2:17 – 15:53 “Technology Came to Stay”

Moderator: Professor Rui Guerra da Fonseca (University of Lisbon),

Professor Guerra da Fonseca shared his personal memories with Prof. Fenge and ELPIS and pointed out the future significance of the acquis of technological development, despite possible criticism

15:54 – 31:41 “The ColorProf: E-lectcha”

Professor Arndt Künnecke (Federal University for Public Administration, Brühl),

Professor Künnecke depicted challenges of future law teaching as well as a very own invention (a teaching application) which will be definitely helpful in order to address students and enhance law teaching

31:41 – 32:43 Moderator Addendum

32:43 – 43:56 “Combining Tradition with the Future: The (Ever Modern) Socratic Approach”

Dr. Dimitrios Parashu (University of Hannover),

Dr. Parashu also shared some personal ELPIS memories, honouring the Jubilee, and depicted the special ELPIS progress in regard to Online Teaching, especially the mutual (and sustainable!) Online Lecture Series with US-American and Indian Partner Faculties, vis-à-vis the traditional ELPIS-Kolloquium which was established by Professor Fenge

43:56 – 44:33 Moderator Addendum

Discussion

44:33 – 47:38 Professor Schwartze Response

47:39 – 47:51 Moderator Addendum

47:51 – 51:13 Professor Melanie Reid Response (Lincoln Memorial University Duncan School of Law, Knoxville, Tennessee): “ELPIS Master App”

51:14 – 51:46 Moderator Addendum

51:49 – 53:43 Professor Künnecke Response

53:43 – 53:51 Moderator Addendum

53:51 – 54:37 Professor Kaissis Response

54:38 – 56:15 Dr. Parashu Response

56:15 – 57:00 Professor Kaissis Response – Considering the Way of Examining

57:00 – 59:16 Professor Künnecke Response

59:16 – 1:00:23 Professor Kaissis Response

1:00:23 – 1:01:11 Professor Künnecke Response

1:01:12 – 1:02:48 Professor Kaissis Response

1:02:48 – 1:03:08 Moderator Addendum

1:03:08 – 1:04:56 Professor Schwartz Response

1:04:56 – 1:04:59 Moderator Addendum

1:04:59 – 1:05:44 Professor Tekidou Response

1:05:44 – 1:05:48 Moderator Addendum

1:05:48 – 1:12:06 Professor Pereira da Silva Response

1:12:06 – 1:12:32 Professor Kaissis Response

1:12:32 – 1:12:37 Professor Fenge Response

1:12:37 – 1:14:00 Professor Pereira da Silva Response

1:14:03 – 1:16:45 Astrid van Dort and Prof. Schwartz dialogue, personal regards, with Professor Fenge