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## CONFERENCE

# COMPULSORY LIABILITY INSURANCE IN EUROPEAN LEGAL SYSTEMS

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Statutory obligations to take out liability insurance are, in practice, the most important means to ensure the compensability of damage arising from dangerous activities.

The conference presents the results of an extensive comparative study of the European Centre of Tort and Insurance Law (ECTIL) and the Institute for European Tort Law of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and the University of Graz (ETL) on various European legal systems while providing the opportunity to discuss them. A view is equally taken on EU Law, the principles of Constitutional Law, the Economic Analysis of Law, the Principles of European Insurance Contract Law (PEICL) as well as the practice of Insurers and Reinsurers on compulsory liability insurance. Conclusions will complete the programme. The conference will be held in English and will likewise address legal academia as well as experts involved in the practice of liability insurance.

The conference is organised by ECTIL and ETL, together with the WU.

Registration is possible until the end of May 2016 with Lisa Zeiler (zeiler@ectil.org).

The conference fee is € 30 (including a light lunch and beverages during the breaks). Staff members and students of the WU and the University of Graz as well as current Supporting Members of ECTIL can participate free of charge.

## PROGRAMME:

- 09:00 **Welcome Address** Martin Spitzer, WU, Vienna  
09:05 **Introductory Remarks** Attila Fenyves, Vienna and Graz University

### Morning Session – Country Reports

*Chair: Martin Spitzer, WU, Vienna*

#### Compulsory Liability Insurance in the Following Legal Systems:

- 09:15 **Germany** Robert Koch, Hamburg University  
09:35 **Switzerland** Andrea Stäubli, Zurich University  
09:55 **United Kingdom** Özlem Gürses, Southampton University  
10:15 **Discussion**  
10:45 COFFEE BREAK

*Chair: Raimund Bollenberger, WU, Vienna*

#### Compulsory Liability Insurance in the Following Legal Systems:

- 11:15 **Hungary** Péter Takáts, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest  
11:35 **Belgium** Caroline Van Schoubroeck, KU Leuven University  
11:55 **Finland** Jaana Norio-Timonen, Helsinki University  
12:15 **Discussion**

12:45 LUNCH BREAK (LIGHT BUFFET PROVIDED)

### Afternoon Session – Special Reports / Comparative Report & Conclusions

*Chair: Hubert Bär, Swiss Insurance Association, Zurich*

- 13:45 **Compulsory Liability Insurance and Constitutional Law**  
Franz Merli, Vienna University  
14:05 **Compulsory Liability Insurance and European Union Law**  
Stefan Perner, Linz University  
14:35 **Compulsory Liability Insurance in the Principles of European Insurance Contract Law (PEICL)**  
Helmut Heiss, Zurich University

(Discussion after each presentation)

15:05 COFFEE BREAK

*Chair: Attila Fenyves, Vienna and Graz University*

- 15:35 **Compulsory Liability Insurance – An Insurance and Reinsurance Perspective**  
Jean-Claude Werz, AXA-Winterthur, Winterthur  
16:05 **Compulsory Liability Insurance: Economic Perspectives**  
Michael Faure, Maastricht University, METRO, Erasmus University Rotterdam  
16:40 **Comparative Report and Conclusions**  
Daniel Rubin, Vienna University  
(Discussion after each presentation)  
17:20 **Closing Remarks** Attila Fenyves, Vienna and Graz University  
17:30 **Close**