



European Asylum Law Judges Association (EALJA¹)
in co-operation with European Academy Berlin
Workshop 19-20 October 2009

“EFFECTIVE INTERACTION”?:
THE ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN COURT OF JUSTICE AND NATIONAL COURTS
AND TRIBUNALS IN EU ASYLUM LAW
with particular reference to the Qualification Directive

Monday 19 October 2009

- 7.30 Breakfast
- 8.15 Take seats in conference room
- 8.30 Opening remarks (Dirk Maresch), followed by Tour de Table (each judge saying a few words about his name, court, position and exact field of work)
- 8.45 Talk by Roger Errera (former judge of the French Conseil d’Etat): “The ECJ and subsidiary protection: Reflections on Elgafaji – and after”
Chair: Prof. Dr. Boštjan Zalar, High Court Judge in the Administrative Court of the Republic of Slovenia
- 9.45 Coffee break
- 10.15 Panel Discussion: “The role of the (national) referring court: What can be learnt from experiences so far? Should things be done differently?”
Panel: Professor Harald Dörig, judge of the German Federal Administrative Court; Henk Lubberdink, member of the Dutch Council of State, judicial section, Michel van Loo and Jack van de Kolk, legal advisors to the of Dutch Council of State; Hemme Battjes, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
Chair: Lord Justice Stephen Sedley, UK
- 11.30 Panel Discussion: “The (Article 68) ECJ reference procedures in the asylum context: how they work, do they work?”. Panel: Sir Konrad Schiemann, ECJ judge; Lord Justice Carnwath, UK; Justice Dr Otto Mallmann, Presiding Justice at the Federal Administrative Court, Germany; John Young, senior legal officer UNHCR and Roland Bank, legal officer UNHCR); Dr Helene Lambert, University of Westminster, UK
Chair: Sebastiaan de Groot, President IARLJ

¹ One of the regional chapters of the IARLJ

² Conference pack will include text of Elgafaji judgment together with each of the pending references made on asylum cases.



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12.45 Lunch (buffet)

14.00 Talk by Professor Geoff Gilbert, University of Essex on “The exclusion clauses: the German reference and the wider implications for European and international asylum law”

Chair: Dr Otto Mallmann, Germany

14.45 Short case study - groups of 5 to 7 judges from different countries discussing a short case study

15.30 Group Rapporteurs reporting

Chair: Eamonn Cahill, Ireland, President European Chapter of IARLJ

16.00 Coffee break

16.30 Introductory talk by Katelijne Declerck, judge at the Court of Appeal , Brussels, Belgium on "The Qualification Directive and the European Asylum Support Office (EASO): What role should judges play in EASO?" followed by panel discussion.

Panel: Professor Harald Dörig, Sebastiaan de Groot, Katelijne Declerck, Boštjan Zalar, Hana Lupačová, legal advisor at the Supreme Administrative court Czech Rep.

Chair: Eamonn Cahill, President European Chapter of IARLJ.

17.50 Closing remarks by Chair (Professor Dr Harald Dörig, Germany)

18.00 End

18.30 Dinner (buffet)

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Tuesday, 20 October 2009

- 07.00 Breakfast at the European Academy (or order take-away breakfast)**
- 07.30 Transfer to Berlin Südkreuz Railway Station by taxi from the European Academy, takes 15 minutes
- 07.59 Inter City Express leaves Berlin Südkreuz for Leipzig
- 09.05 Inter City Express arrives at Leipzig Central Station. Taxi transfer to the Bundesverwaltungsgericht (Federal Administrative Court)
- 09.15 Arrival at the Bundesverwaltungsgericht
- 09.30 Tour through the courthouse
- 10.45 Tour ends
- 11.00 Snack
- 11.30 Discussion
- 14.15 Discussion ends
- 14.25 Taxi transfer to Leipzig Central Station
- 14.51 Inter City Express leaves for Berlin
- 16.06 Inter City Express arrives at Berlin Südkreuz
Get out here for Schönefeld Airport.
Bus "SFX 1" departs at 16.20, arrival at SFX 16.40 or departure 16.40 , arrival at SFX 17.00. Special fare € 6
- 16.13 Inter City Express arrives at Berlin Central Station
Get out here for further train connections
- 16.23 Inter City Express arrives at Berlin Gesundbrunnen.
Get out here for Tegel Airport. Take S-Bahn S 42 (Circle Line, leaves every 5 to 10 minutes) to Beusselstr. and from there Bus TXL to Tegel Airport.
Trip takes 20 minutes.
Regular ticket "Berlin AB" for 2,10 €.