

2025

CELEBRATING HUMAN RIGHTS IN EUROPE



75 YEARS OF THE EUROPEAN
CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

25 YEARS OF THE CHARTER OF
FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF THE EU

ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

**17 NOV. 10H-18H
PORTO**

10h00 Opening Words

Dean of the Faculty of Law
Professor José Lobo Moutinho

10h15 Keynote Speech

Vice-President of the European Court of Human Rights
Professor Arnfinn Bårdesen
United Around Our Values: Stability Through Democracy, the Rule of Law and the Protection of Human Rights

11h00 Coffee Break

11h30 1st panel

MODERATOR

**Associate Dean of the
Institute for Political Studies
(IEP-Católica)**

Professor André Azevedo Alves

War at Trial: *Jus ad Bellum, Jus in Bello* and *Jus Post Bellum* in European Jurisprudence

SPEAKERS

Professor Harold Bertot Triana (UNIE Universidad, Madrid)
/ Jurisdiction and Attribution in the Case of Ukraine and the Netherlands v. Russia (2025): Analytical Notes

Professor Ana Soares Pinto (Faculdade de Direito da Universidade de Lisboa)
/ ECHR and Positive Obligations During Armed Conflicts





Professor José Alberto Azeredo Lopes (FDUCP – Escola do Porto)
/ *Jus ad Bellum* and the ECHR: Is Aggression a Ground for Jurisdiction?

Professor António Frada de Sousa (FDUCP - Escola do Porto)
/ EU Sanctions Regulations : Application in Accordance with Fundamental Rights and Principles of EU Law

13h00 Lunch

14h30 2nd panel

MODERATOR

President of the Portuguese Constitutional Court

Professor José João Abrantes

Defining the “We”: Perceptions of Cultural Identity

SPEAKERS

Professor Sofia Pinto Oliveira (Escola de Direito da Universidade do Minho)

/ Expulsion and Loss of Nationality as Additional Penalties: Revisiting the ECtHR's Case-Law

Professor Manuel Fontaine (FDUCP - Escola do Porto)

/ The Invisible Hand of Algorithms: Social Media, Political Polarization, and the Quest for a Democratic ‘We’

Professor Maria Isabel Tavares (FDUCP - Escola do Porto)

/ ‘We the Peoples’ (Sometimes): Western Sahara and European Courts

Professor Benedita Menezes Queiroz (FDUCP - Escola do Porto)

/ Assessing Vulnerability: Fundamental Rights Protection and Asylum Claims

16h00 Coffee Break

16h30 3rd panel

MODERATOR

Portuguese Deputy Ombudsman

Dr. Ravi Afonso Pereira

The Rule of Law in Times of Disruption

SPEAKERS

Dr. Natalie Alkiviadou, PhD (The Future of Free Speech at Vanderbilt University)

/ Hate Speech and the European Court of Human Rights

Professor Sofia Oliveira Pais (FDUCP - Escola do Porto)

/ The Rule of Law in the EU: A Strategic Necessity

Professor Catarina Santos Botelho (FDUCP - Escola do Porto)

/ Benign Populism as an Oxymoron? Rethinking the Limits of the Concept

Professor Martinho Lucas Pires (FDUCP - Escola de Lisboa)

/ Economic Conditionality as Rule of Law Instrument: Some Reflections

CHALLENGES AND EXPECTATIONS

21 NOV. 9H30-17H30
LISBON

9h30 4th panel

MODERATOR

Judge of the Court of Justice
of the European Union
Professor Nuno Piçarra

Judicial Dialogue and Cross-Fertilization

SPEAKERS

**Professor Maria José Rangel Mesquita (Faculdade de Direito
da Universidade de Lisboa)**

/ National Security and Data Protection Standards in the Case-Law
of the CJEU and the ECtHR

**Professor Francesco Biagi (University of Bologna, Department
of Legal Studies)**

/ Between Rejection and Instrumentalization:
Judicial Dialogue in Illiberal-Populist Regimes

Professor Gonçalo de Almeida Ribeiro (FDUCLP - Escola de Lisboa)

/ Between Effectiveness and Toleration: The Jurisprudence
of Constitutional Conflict in the EU

Professor Inês Quadros (FDUCLP - Escola de Lisboa)

/ Walking on Thin Ice: Should the CJEU Refuse Preliminary References
from Non-Independent Courts?

11h00 Coffee Break

11h30 5th panel

MODERATOR

Deputy Registrar of the
European Court of Human
Rights
Dr. Abel Campos

Nothing New under the Sun?: Climate Litigation Before European Courts

SPEAKERS

Judge of the Czech Supreme Administrative Court

Professor Pavel Molek (Masaryk University, Faculty of Law)

/ The Czech Climate Action Decision: 55 % for EU Does Not Mean 55 %
for Each Member State

**Professor Beatriz Martinez Romera (University of Copenhagen,
Faculty of Law)**

/ to be confirmed

**Professor Heloísa Oliveira (Faculdade de Direito da Universidade
de Lisboa)**

/ Individual Rights, Collective Harms: The Structural Limits
of the European HR System in the Context of Climate Change

**Professors Patrícia Fragoso Martins and Armando Rocha
(FDUCLP - Escola de Lisboa)**

/ The Many and the Few: Who Stands for the Climate in Europe?



13h00 **Lunch**

14h30 **6th panel**

MODERATOR

President of the National
Administration Institute,
Professor of the Faculdade de
Direito da Universidade do Porto
Professor Luísa Neto

Fundamental Freedoms, Digital Fates

SPEAKERS

Professor Francesca Palmiotto (IE University)

/ Facial Recognition Before the ECtHR: Testing the Boundaries
of Modern Surveillance

Professor Pedro Garcia Marques (FDUCP - Escola de Lisboa)

/ As Klee's Angelus Novus Spells Catastrophe... or How Digital History
Belies the Traditional Mainstays of Judicially Protected Freedom
of Speech

Professor Tito Rendas (FDUCP - Escola de Lisboa)

/ Fundamental Rights in the Age of Artificial Creativity

**Professor Giovanni De Gregorio (FDUCP - Católica Global School
of Law)**

/ Regulating Artificial Intelligence: European Constitutional
Perspectives

Professor Nuno Sousa e Silva (FDUCP - Escola do Porto)

/ You Want it Darker: Transparency and Control in the Regulation of AI

16h00 **Coffee Break**

16h30 **Keynote Speech**

President of the Court of Justice of the European Union

Professor Koen Lenaerts

Ordering Pluralism: The National Judge, the Constitution,
the Charter and the ECHR

17h00 **Closing Words**

Rector of Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Professor Isabel Capeloa Gil

