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## **Training of Lawyers on EU Asylum & Immigration Law (TRALIM 2) Reception and Integration – Human Trafficking**

<b>Date</b>	Thursday 4 February 2021
<b>Time</b>	10.00am to 3.00pm
<b>Venue</b>	Zoom Webinar
<b>Fee</b>	Complimentary
<b>CPD Hours</b>	4 hours General (by eLearning)
<b>Event Code</b>	21000

### **Aims and Objectives**

A one-day seminar on EU law relating to Asylum and Immigration with a focus on Reception & Integration and Human Trafficking in Ireland and other EU countries. This seminar is held in conjunction with the European Lawyers Foundation, the Spanish National Bar, Athens Bar Association, Italian Bar, National Council of Legal Advisers (Poland) and Paris Bar Association.

### **Topics include**

- Reception for asylum seekers in Ireland, known as ‘direct provision’
- The impact of Ireland’s opt-in to the EU Reception Directive (recast) 2013
- Analysis of rights for persons recognised as refugees
- Human Trafficking – victims’ rights and administrative immigration arrangements in Ireland
- Immigration Fraud, Criminal and other Sanctions
- Reception and Integration – the French Experience
- Human Trafficking - the Polish Experience
- Addressing the perpetrators and supporting the victims of human trafficking
- Human Trafficking - challenges for Irish society

### **Welcome and Overview**

**Attracta O’Regan**, Solicitor, Head of Law Society Professional Training; Special Advisor Rule of Law, the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE)

**Vasileios Stathopoulos**, Project Manager, European Lawyers Foundation, the Netherlands

### **Chairperson**

**Cindy Carroll**, Deputy Chairperson, International Protection Appeals Tribunal

A graduate of Law from University College Cork, Cindy was called to the Bar of Ireland in 1995. Following a devilling year in Dublin, she practised as a barrister in Cork, and lectured in Cork Institute of Technology and University College Cork. In 2001, she was then appointed as Advisory Counsel at the Office of the Attorney General and worked there advising primarily on asylum and immigration law. She returned to the Bar in Dublin in early 2004 and was briefed as counsel on the State Asylum and Immigration Panel from 2004 until March 2018. During this time, she lectured in the Dublin Institute of Technology, and both lectured and tutored in the Law Society. In March 2018, Cindy was appointed as Deputy Chairperson of the International Protection Appeals Tribunal, where she is a member of the senior management team, Head of Training and a decision maker in asylum-related appeals. In May 2019, she made the first preliminary reference from the Tribunal to the Court of Justice of the European Union. Most recently, Cindy has successfully completed an MA in Leadership and Strategy.

## **Speakers**

### **Aude Rimalho, Cabinet Aude RIMAILHO, Paris, France**

#### **Dr. Marcin Górski, Attorney at Law, Poland**

Marcin is Assistant Professor of the Department of European Constitutional Law at the University of Lodz. He is also a member of the Human Rights Committee of the National Bar of Attorneys-at-Law and Head of the Legal Department of the City of Lodz Local Government, Poland.

#### **Catherine Cosgrave, Managing Solicitor, Immigrant Council of Ireland**

Catherine Cosgrave is the Managing Solicitor at the Immigrant Council of Ireland Independent Law Centre. A law graduate of UCD and the University of Edinburgh, she was first called to the Bar of Ireland in 2000 and subsequently became a solicitor in 2008. A specialized migration and human rights lawyer, she is author of many publications relating to family and child migration, trafficking and citizenship. In addition to legal practice, she has worked as a legal trainer/consultant and lecturer at the University of Limerick, the Dublin Institute of Technology and the Law Society of Ireland. Catherine is the EUDO Ireland Country Expert on Citizenship and is the Fundamental Rights Agency network of experts lead on Immigration and Asylum for Ireland. She sits on the Advisory Committee of the European Network on Statelessness and was appointed to the National Advisory Committee on Children and Young People in 2018.

#### **Kenneth Ruane, Head of civil Legal, An Garda Síochána**

Having qualified as a solicitor in 1998, Kenneth Ruane was appointed to the post of Head of Civil Legal at An Garda Síochána on the 11th of December 2011. His main role in reporting to Executive Director Legal is to advise the Garda Commissioner and Garda management on a range of issues to include civil litigation, corporate, employment, immigration law together with European and Human Rights law. Kenneth was previously a solicitor in the Chief State Solicitor's Office from 1999 to 2011 dealing with Extradition/European Arrest Warrant cases and a member of the Law Society of Ireland's Litigation Committee from 2007 to 2012. In April 2012, Kenneth attended a three-week Leadership Program in Washington, U.S. at the request of the U.S. Department of State and is currently undertaking a MSC in Leadership and Business Management in Smurfit Business School.

### **Deaglán O Briain, Principal, Department of Justice & Equality**

#### **Dr Liam Thornton, Assistant Professor in Law, School of Law, University College Dublin**

Dr Liam Thornton is an Assistant Professor in Law in the School of Law, University College Dublin. Liam researches and publishes on areas relating to law and asylum seekers, refugee law, international and European human rights law, legal systems, and social welfare law. Based on his research expertise, Liam has advised the Irish Constitutional

Convention on socio-economic rights, produced shadow reports for consideration by UN human rights treaty bodies, and has provided advice to Oireachtas committees on a number of occasions. Liam has delivered bespoke teaching and training on European asylum and refugee law for the European Council of Refugees and Exiles, the Academy of European Law and the Institute for European Studies, Tbilisi State University. Liam regularly contributes to discussions on reception/socio-economic rights for asylum seekers in newspapers and in the media. Prior to joining UCD, Liam was a lecturer in law in Ulster University (2009-2012) and Research and Policy Officer in the then Irish Human Rights Commission (2008-2009). You can access Liam's publications at: [www.liamthornton.ie](http://www.liamthornton.ie).

**Vasileios Stathopoulos, Project Manager, European Lawyers Foundation**

Vasileios is a Senior Manager of European projects at the European Lawyers Foundation. He had previously worked as a project assistant at the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE) and in EU institutions including the European Parliament and the European Economic and Social Committee. He is a qualified lawyer, member of the Athens Bar Association and a political scientist. He holds two bachelor degrees from Greek universities (Law and International, European and Regional Studies) and two master degrees from French Universities (European Law and International Security).

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