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# MULTIDISCIPLINARY SUMMER SCHOOL *CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY: FROM CSR TO ESG*

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## Summer School Overview

The ESG movement has been a stone thrown into a pond, its ripples changing – even transforming – many aspects of our economy, our ways of living, and our collective future.

This Summer School program invites undergraduate and graduate students from Padova, as well as other universities in Italy and around the world, to learn how a new focus by business and finance on “environment, social and governance” (ESG) is affecting nearly all aspects of legal, as well as economics inquiries. Our world is in the process of transition, and private and public law are awakening to the epochal changes underway.

Professors and policy leaders from a range of disciplines will address these changes – from corporate governance and securities regulation, to bankruptcy and contract law, to banking and tax law, to innovation, IP, and administrative law, to environmental, criminal, and canon and ecclesiastical law.

This Summer School program arises out of a Sustainable Corporations Symposium co-organized in April 2021 by Professors Alan Palmiter (Wake Forest Law) and Maurizio Bianchini (Padova Law).

## Summer School Program

Monday, 26 September 2022 (2:15 - 7:00 pm CEST)

### Welcome Addresses and Summer School Opening Remarks:

- **Prof. CHIARA M. VALSECCHI** (Dean of the Padova University School of Law)
- **Prof. MANLIO MIELE** (Chair of the Department of Private Law and Critique of Law – DPCD, University of Padova)
- **Prof. MARCELLO DANIELE** (Chair of the Department of Public and International Law – DiPIC, University of Padova)
- **Prof. ADRIANA TOPO** (Director of the Three-Years Degree Program on the “Third Sector Law”, University of Padova, School of Law)
- **Prof. MAURIZIO BIANCHINI** (Director, Summer School Program)

### *Session 1* – Chair: Prof. Maurizio Bianchini

- Prof. ALAN R. PALMITER: **Awakening Capitalism – A New Future for Humanity?**
- Prof. CYNTHIA A. WILLIAMS: **CSR, ESG, and the Evolution of Corporate Sustainability**

### *Break*

### *Session 2* – Chair: Prof. Alan R. Palmiter

- Dr. VIRGINIA BURKETT: **Climate Science Governance, Communication and Trust – Key Determinants of Effective Climate Action**
- Prof. ADRIANA TOPO: **ESG, Employment Law, and Industrial Relations at a Turning Point**
- Prof. ENRICO GINEVRA: **ESG Factors and the Company Directors’ Duties Under Italian Company Law**

**Tuesday, 27 September 2022 (2:00 - 7:15 pm CEST)**

**Introduction and Chair to Day 2:** Prof. Alan R. Palmiter

- Prof. LUCIA PICARDI: **Corporate Sustainability and the Role of Institutional Shareholders: Features, Behaviors and Challenges**
- Prof. GIOVANNI STRAMPELLI: **The Effects of Credible Voluntary Disclosures: Institutional Investor Engagement and Investees' ESG Performances**
- Prof. LINA MIKALONIENE: **The Proposed EU Legislative Initiative on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence (COM(2022)71)**

*Break*

- Prof. MARCO SPERANZIN: **Benefit Legal Entities in Italy**
- Prof. FRANCESCO A. SCHURR: **The Future of Sustainability Reporting under EU Company Law**
- Prof. KRZYSZTOF OPLUSTIL: **Should We Redefine the Corporate Purpose in the Vein of ESG?**

**Wednesday, 28 September 2022 (2:00 - 7:15 pm CEST)**

**Introduction and Chair to Day 3:** Prof. Alan R. Palmiter

- Prof. ALBERTO LUPOI: **Investment Funds Guidelines More Powerful Than the Law?**
- Prof. W. KEITH ROBINSON: **Innovation and ESG**
- Prof. MARÍA DE LA CONCEPCIÓN CHAMORRO DOMÍNGUEZ: **Sustainable Innovation by Artificial Intelligence (AI)**

*Break*

- Prof. ALEXANDRA BARBOSA DE GODOY CORRÊA and Prof. FELIPE KEZEN: **Fashion and Sustainability: The Chile Case**
- Prof. EDGARDO RICCIARDIELLO: **Sustainability and Going Concern**
- Dr. MAREK PORZYCKI: **Functions of Insolvency Proceedings and Sustainability. Should ESG Criteria Be Included in the Objectives of Insolvency Law?**

## Thursday, 29 September 2022 (2:00 - 7:15 pm CEST)

### Introduction and Chair to Day 4: Prof. Maurizio Bianchini

- Prof. ELISA DE BELVIS: **Contract Law and Sustainability Contractual Clauses (SCCS): From Theory To Practice**
- Prof. COSTANTINO GRASSO: **Technology and Irresponsible Corporate Behavior: A Dangerous Combination**
- Prof. DEBORA PROVOLO: **CSR/ESG and Corporate Criminal Liability**

### *Break*

- Dr. DONATO VOZZA: **International Tax Avoidance and Corporate Social Responsibility: What Role for Law and Accounting Firms?**
- Prof. CRISTIANA BENETAZZO: **The Reforms Contemplated by the Italian National Recovery and Resilience Plan ("PNRR") for Public Infrastructure and Sustainable Mobility**
- Dr. MATTEO CORSALINI: **Religious Shareholder Primacy. The US, the EU, and the Challenges Ahead**

## Friday, 30 September 2022 (2:00 - 7:15 pm CEST)

### Introduction and Chair to Day 5: Prof. Maurizio Bianchini

- Prof. ELENA BUOSO: **Green Public Procurement in Europe**
- Prof. VALENTINA DE MARCHI and Dr. SIMONE CARMINE: **Addressing the Complexities in Implementing Environmental Sustainability in International Businesses**
- Prof. SILVIA BERTOCCO: **The Key Role of Whistleblowers' Protection for ESG Companies**

### *Break*

- Dr. SIMONA PINTON: **Embryonic Thoughts on the Relationship of ESG to Human Trafficking**
- Prof. UMUT TURKSEN: **Compliance and Law Enforcement Challenges in Countering Illicit Financial Flows**
- Dr. ANDRÉS PORTILLA: **Stakeholder Capitalism in Financial Services: The Evolving Social Role of Banks**
- Prof. MAURIZIO BIANCHINI: **Closing Remarks - Farewell**



## Summer School Faculty

**Cristiana Benetazzo**, Associate Professor of Administrative Law | DiPIC | University of Padova, School of Law

**Silvia Bertocco**, Associate Professor of Labour Law | DPCD | University of Padova, School of Law

**Elena Buoso**, Associate Professor of Administrative Law | DiPIC | University of Padova, School of Law

**Virginia Burkett**, Chief Scientist for Climate and Land Use Change | International Programs | U.S. Geological Survey Agency, USA

**Simone Carmine**, Postdoctoral Researcher of Business Management | DSEA | University of Padova, School of Economics and Political Science

**María de la Concepción Chamorro Domínguez**, Associate Professor of Business Law | Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, School of Law, Madrid, Spain

**Alexandra Barbosa de Godoy Corrêa**, Professor of IP and Business Law | Universidade Veiga de Almeida – UVA, School of Law, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

**Matteo Corsalini**, Postdoctoral Researcher of Canon and Ecclesiastical Law | DPCD | University of Padova, School of Law

**Elisa De Belvis**, Associate Professor of Private Law | DPCD | University of Padova, School of Law

**Valentina De Marchi**, Associate Professor of Business Management | DSEA | University of Padova, School of Economics and Political Science

**Enrico Ginevra**, Full Professor of Business Law | University of Bergamo, School of Law, Italy

**Costantino Grasso**, Associate Professor in Business and Law | Manchester Metropolitan University, School of Law, UK

## Summer School Faculty (continued)

**Felipe Kezen**, Professor of Economics | Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro – UERJ, School of Finance and Administration, Brazil

**Alberto Lupoi**, Associate Professor of Financial Markets Law | DPCD | University of Padova, School of Law

**Lina Mikalonienė**, Associate Professor of Company Law and Comparative Law | Vilnius University, School of Law, Lithuania

**Krzysztof Oplustil**, University Professor and Head of the Chair of Business Regulation and Economic Policy | Jagiellonian University, School of Law and Administration, Cracow, Poland

**Alan R. Palmiter**, William T. Wilson, III, Presidential Chair for Business Law | Wake Forest University, School of Law, NC, USA

**Lucia Picardi**, Full Professor of Business Law | University of Naples "Federico II", School of Law, Italy

**Simona Pinton**, Adjunct Professor of International Law | DPCD | University of Padova, School of Law

**Andrés Portilla**, Managing Director, Head of Regulatory Affairs | Institute of International Finance, Washington D.C., USA

**Marek Porzycki**, Lecturer and Researcher at the Chair for Business Regulation and Economic Policy | Jagiellonian University, School of Law and Administration, Cracow, Poland

**Debora Provolo**, Associate Professor of Criminal Law | DiPIC | University of Padova, School of Law

**Edgardo Ricciardiello**, Associate Professor of Business Law | Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna, School of Law, Italy

**W. Keith Robinson**, Professor of Law | Wake Forest University, School of Law, NC, USA

## Summer School Faculty (continued)

**Francesco A. Schurr**, Full Professor of Italian Private Law and Comparative Law and Director of the Institut für Italienisches Recht | University of Innsbruck, School of Law, Austria

**Marco Speranzin**, Full Professor of Business Law | DPCD | University of Padova, School of Law

**Giovanni Strampelli**, Full Professor of Business Law and Director of the PhD School in Legal Studies | Bocconi University, School of Law, Milan, Italy

**Adriana Topo**, Full Professor of Labour Law and Chair of the Padova Labour Law Group | DPCD | University of Padova, School of Law

**Umut Turksen**, Professor in Law at the Research Centre for Financial and Corporate Integrity | Coventry University, School of Law, UK

**Donato Voza**, Lecturer in Law and Member of the Centre for Sustainability and Responsible Management | University of Roehampton, School of Law, London, UK

**Cynthia A. Williams**, Osler Chair in Business Law *emerita*, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto, Canada | Professor of Law *emerita*, University of Illinois College of Law, USA | Professor of U.S. Corporate and Securities Law, Vrije Universiteit (VU), School of Law, Amsterdam, The Netherlands



## Summer School Scientific Committee

Prof. Alan R. Palmiter- William T. Wilson, III, Presidential Chair for Business Law | Wake Forest University, School of Law, NC, USA

Prof. Maurizio Bianchini – Associate Professor of Business Law | DPCD | University of Padova, School of Law

## Summer School Director

Prof. Maurizio Bianchini

## Summer School Tutor

Ms. Sofia Maria Pedro – Student | University of Padova, School of Law

## Summer School Enrollment Details

The Summer School is open to all students matriculated in any undergraduate or postgraduate Law, Economics, Business Administration and Management, Political Science and International Relations at any Italian or foreign Academic Institution and, in particular:

- ◆ Undergraduate students enrolled in the Bachelor and Master's Degree Courses in Law, Economics, Political Science and International Relations;
- ◆ Undergraduate students enrolled in the three-years "Third Sector Law" Curriculum at the University of Padova School of Law;
- ◆ Post-Graduate and/or PhD students in Law, Economics, Business Administration and Management, Political Sciences and International Relations.

Please note that **all the Summer School lectures will be offered in person and online** (via Zoom platform).

Enrollment in the Summer School Program will start on **23 of August, 2022, at 3:00 pm CEST**, and it will end the **19 of September 2022**.

Please note that **attendance in person** is limited to a **maximum of 36 students** and in person enrollment will occur **on a first-come-first-served basis**. If you are planning on attending the Summer School **online (via Zoom)**, please note that you need first to enroll in the Summer School in order to have online access to the Summer School lectures. Instructions and access passwords will be provided to enrolled students shortly before the Summer School's inception date.

## Summer School Enrollment Details (continued)

Summer School Program enrollment shall occur by filling up the Padova [Summer School Enrollment Form](#) (please remember that students' enrollment starts at 3:00 pm CEST of the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August, and ends at 11:59 pm CEST of the 19<sup>th</sup> of September, 2022; and please remember to attach to the Form a scanned color copy of your University badge, or other official document showing your current student status). You should always use your own Academic Institution e-mail address when communicating with the Summer School.

Personal data of each student enrolling in the Summer School Program will be treated in accordance with applicable data privacy laws for purposes of processing each Summer School enrollment request by each filing student, checking and managing each enrolled student's attendance, issuing the Certificate of Attendance (if requested), as well as for statistical purposes.

Attendance to the Summer School is **free of charge**. However, students attending the Summer School in person are responsible for their own travel, board, and living expenses.

## Certificate of Attendance

Upon request, a Certificate of Attendance will be issued to every (undergraduate and post-graduate) student attending at least 80% of the Summer School lectures.

## Application for ECTS Credits Certificates<sup>(\*)</sup>

Students who attended at least 80% of the Summer School lectures and upon positive completion of the optional Summer School Final Written Assignment (as described *infra*) may apply for a Certificate of Summer School Completion attesting that, according to the University of Padova, the workload completed by the requesting student in connection with the Summer School, would be considered equivalent to 3 (three) ECTS.

## Summer School Final Written Assignment

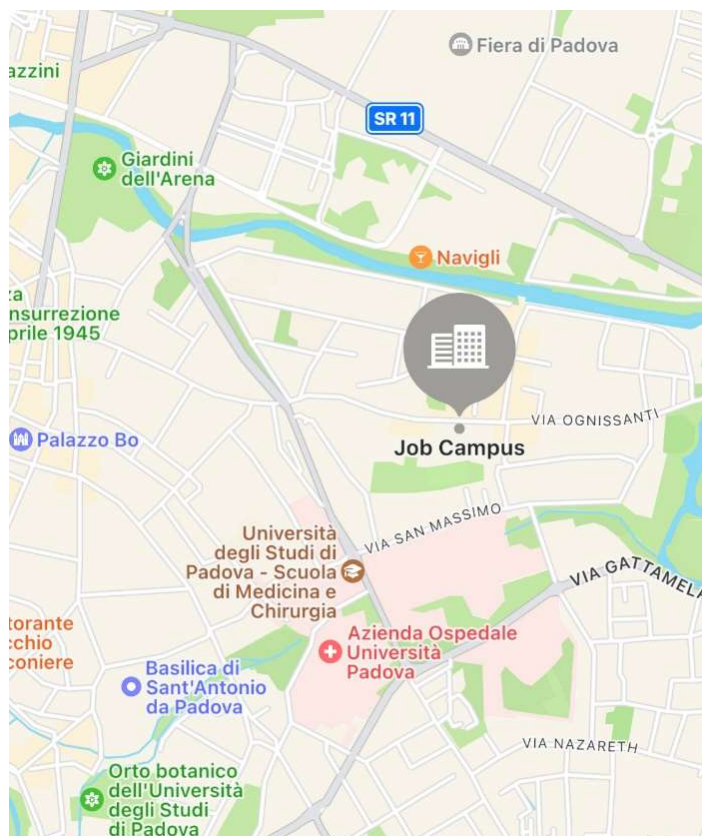
The Summer School Final Written Assignment is mandatory only for students seeking ECTS/CFU recognition. It consists in writing a Short Essay of at least 1800 words (excluding cover page, abstract, and bibliography) on a topic, to be chosen out of a list which will be provided to any students interested in attaining the ECTS (CFU) Credits during the Summer School week. The essay topics to choose from will reflect the contents of the Summer School lectures. The Short Essay must be submitted within three weeks from the end of the Summer School (*i.e.*, by 21 October, 2022).

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<sup>(\*)</sup> Please note that the ECTS/CFU credits recognition is not yet confirmed, as it is still subject to University of Padova competent academic authorities' ongoing approval procedures.

## Summer School Venue

All the in person Summer School lectures will be held at the **Job Campus** facility, via Giambattista Belzoni, n. 146, 35121, Padova (PD), Italy.



The Summer School Venue is easily accessible by public transport and by car and within walking distance from the Padova main train and bus stations.

## Summer School Contacts

E-mail: [padova.summerschool2022@gmail.com](mailto:padova.summerschool2022@gmail.com)

Summer School Enrollment Form:

<https://forms.gle/ufFyh2xZJab8FxW69>

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