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## Objective

This event will present current reflections by experts on the state of play and future development of EU gender equality law.

## Key topics

- Recent CJEU case law
- Expansion of the discrimination grounds
- Implementation of the parental leave Directive and of the self-employment Directive
- Work-life balance
- Gender quotas

## Speakers

**Julie Brohée**, Legal Secretary, Court of Justice of the European Union, Luxembourg

**Eugenia Caracciolo di Torella**, Lecturer, University of Leicester

**Prof Tomas Davulis**, University of Vilnius

**Prof Petra Foubert**, Hasselt University

**Roberta Guerrina**, Reader in Politics, University of Surrey

**Marie Mercat-Bruns**, Affiliated Professor, Sciences Po Law School/CNAM (Lise, CNRS), Paris

**Przemysław Miłkaszewicz**, Legal Secretary, Court of Justice of the European Union, Luxembourg

**Prof Linda Senden**, University of Utrecht



## CURRENT REFLECTIONS ON EU GENDER EQUALITY LAW

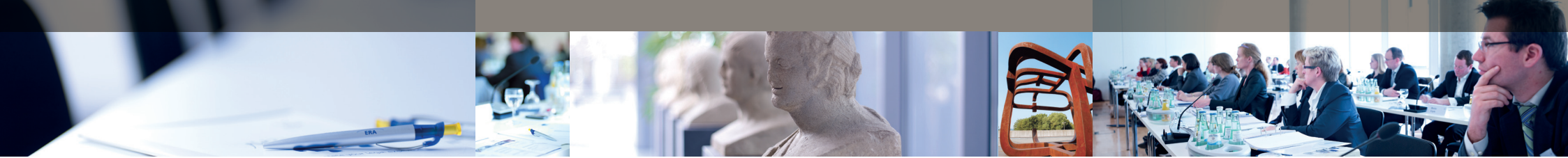
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**Trier, 7-8 December 2015**  
ERA Conference Centre  
Metzer Allee 4, Trier, Germany

**Organiser:**  
ERA (Leyre Maiso and Daniel Gärtner) on behalf of the European Commission (contracting authority)

**Language:** English

**Event number:** 115DV79



## Monday, 7 December 2015

- 09:00 Arrival and registration of participants
- 09:15 **Welcome**  
*Leyre Maiso Fontecha*
- 09:30 **The current report on the implementation of Directive 2010/41/EU – a comparative analysis**  
*Tomas Davulis*
- 10:15 Discussion
- 10:30 **Maternity rights for intended mothers? Surrogacy puts the EU legal framework to the test**  
*Eugenia Caracciolo di Torella*
- 11:15 Discussion
- 11:30 Coffee break
- 12:00 **Current equality law developments in France – The French model of expanding the discrimination grounds as a way forward for the EU?**  
*Marie Mercat-Bruns*
- 12:45 Discussion

- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:30 **Main findings and conclusions of the 2015 report on the implementation of the Parental Leave Directive 2010/18/EU in 33 European countries**  
*Petra Foubert*
- 15:15 Discussion
- 15:30 Coffee break
- 16:00 **Recent case law of the CJEU in gender equality matters**  
*Przemysław Mikłaszewicz*
- 16:45 Discussion
- 17:00 End of the first seminar day
- 19:30 Dinner at the restaurant  
"Schlemmereule" (Domfreihof 1)

## Tuesday, 8 December 2015

- 09:15 **The impact of the ongoing crisis and the related austerity measures on work-life balance in practice**  
*Roberta Guerrina*
- 10:00 Discussion
- 10:15 **Women on company boards**  
*Linda Senden*
- 11:00 Discussion
- 11:15 Coffee break
- 11:45 **Recent CJEU case law on other non-discrimination issues**  
*Julie Brohée*
- 12:30 Discussion
- 12:45 Lunch and end of the seminar