

## **Wednesday March 16th 2005**

Hotel Sofitel, 4, place St Pierre le Jeune :

18.00-20.00

Meeting of the Speakers

20.00-22.00

EWLA Board Meeting

## **Thursday March 17th 2005**

08.15-09.00

Registration/ Inscriptions

09.00-09.15

Welcome by the President of EWLA, Ms. Elisabeth MUELLER, and Ms. Maud DE BOER-BUQUICCHIO, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

09.15-09.45

Opening of the congress by Mr. Jean-Paul COSTA, Vice-President of the European Court of Human Rights, Mr. Peter JANN, President of the First Chamber of the Court of Justice of the European Communities, and Mr. Bo VESTERDORF, President of the First Instance Court of the European Communities

09.45-11.00

Panel: "Access to European Justice - Recent developments"

Chair:

Mr. Jean-Paul COSTA, Vice-President of the European Court of Human Rights.

Speakers:

Member of the Court of Justice of the European Communities, Member of the European Court of Human Rights, Mr. Jean-Michel BELORGEY, President of the European Committee of Social Rights

11.00-11.20

Coffee Break

11.20-12.15

Panel: "Access to European Mediation"

Chair:

Ms. Catherine LALUMIÈRE (F), President of the House of Europe of Paris,  
former Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Speakers:

Mr. Alvaro GIL-ROBLES, Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of  
Europe, and  
Professor Nikiforos DIAMANDOUROS, European Ombudsman

12.15-13.00

Panel: "Fair Trial for Women"

Chair:

Ms. Vera BAIRD, QC, member of the UK Parliament, Chair of the Fawcett  
Society's independent Commission on Women and the Criminal Justice  
System

Speakers:

Ms. Soledad MURILLO DE LA VEGA, Secretary General of Equality Policies,  
Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Spain (ES)  
N.N. (France)

13.00-14.30

Lunch

14.30-16.00

Workshops (Part I)

Workshop 1:

Business Law: New Challenges and How to Face Them

"Liberalization of the legal profession": (representative of the Commission)  
N.N.

"Competition Law and Legal Fees": Ms. Anne JONLET, Partner, van Cutsem  
Wittamer Marnef & Associés (B)

"Organisation of law firms /MDP": Ms. Vanessa WILLIAMS, Bevan Ashford  
(UK)

"A summary of the European approach of legal professional privilege of  
corporate counsel": Ms. Isabelle Smith Monnerville, Avocat, Vaughan Avocats  
Associés (F)

Workshop 2: Access to Justice: "The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the  
EU as Incorporated in the Constitutional Treaty. What Implications for the  
National Judiciary?"

Chair:

Professor Christos ROZAKIS, Vice-President of the European Court of  
Human Rights;

Coordinator:  
Professor Jacqueline DUTHEIL DE LA ROCHÈRE, President of Paris II University (F);

Speakers:  
Professor Sacha PRECHAL, Utrecht University (NL);  
Ms. Sophia SPILIOTOPOULOS, lawyer, Vice-President of EWLA, member of the European Commission's Gender Equality Legal Network (GR).

Workshop 3:  
Alternative dispute resolution: Mediation and its potential for the future?

Speakers:  
Ms. Frances BURTON, Barrister and Mediator (UK),  
Ms. Liz WALSH, Barrister and Mediator (UK),  
Ms. Dominique RETOURNE, Mediator (F)

16.00-16.30  
Coffee Break

16.30-18.00  
General Assembly of EWLA: Amendments of the by-laws of EWLA and Presentation of the Candidates for the Election to the EWLA Board (Part 1)

20.30-22.30  
Dinner

### **Friday March 18th 2005**

08.15-09.00  
Registration / Inscriptions

09.00-10.30  
General Assembly of EWLA: Presentation of the Candidates for the Election to the EWLA Board (Part 2); Election of Board Members

10.30-11.00  
Coffee Break

11.00-12.30  
Workshops (Part II)

Workshop 4:  
Business Law: New Challenges and How to Face Them (Part II): "If you pay peanuts you get monkeys":

“Professional liability”: Ms. Ann Birgit GAMMELJORD, Gorrissen Federspiel Kierkegaard (DK), Head of Delegation for Denmark at the CCBE  
“Cross-Border Practice”: Ms. Rachel BRANDENBURGER, Partner, Freshfields (UK and B)  
“The views of an in-house lawyer”: Ms. Kerstin HAARMANN LL.M., General Counsel, Wincor Nixdorf Holding GmbH (GER)

#### Workshop 5:

The Process of Drafting a Convention of the Council of Europe on Trafficking  
Moderator:

Baerbel Heide UHL (D), member of the Experts Group on Trafficking in Human Beings of the European Commission

Speakers:

Ms. Lydie ERR, Member of the Parliament of Luxemburg and Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (LUX);

Representative of Amnesty International (t.b.c.)

#### Workshop 6:

Sexual and Reproductive Rights

Moderator:

Ms. Nancy Gage Lindner, Legal Adviser (D/USA)

Speakers:

Ms. Magda MIERZEWSKA (PL), Registry of the European Court of Human Rights, Case lawyer;

Ms. Rebecca GOMPERS (NL), Women on Waves

12.45-14.00

Lunch

14.30-16.30

Conference at the premises of the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) with Judges and Members of the Registry of the ECHR; Visit of the ECHR

17.00-18.30

Closing Session and General Assembly: Results of the Workshops and Resolutions, Council of Europe

19.00-20.00

Reception by Mrs Fabienne KELLER, Mayor of Strasbourg/ Maire de Strasbourg, and Mr Robert GROSSMANN, Président de la Communauté urbaine, Hôtel de Ville / City Hall, place Broglie

20.30-22.30

Cocktail,  
Hotel Sofitel, 4, place St Pierre le Jeune

**Saturday March 19th 2005**

14.00–22.00

Social Program

Sightseeing, Vineyard Tour, Dinner at a restaurant in the vineyard district