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Time	Topic
09.00 - 09.30	<i>Access of participants to the conference</i>
09.30 - 09.45	Welcome and Opening Remarks Eva RODRÍGUEZ BIELSA, Head of EPCO Eurosystem Procurement Coordination Office (EPCO)
	Morning Session
09.45 - 10.30 (Physical)	The Future of Sustainable Public Procurement (SPP): From Sectoral to A Stronger General Principle Dr Roberto CARANTA Professor, University of Turin, Italy
10.30 - 11.15 (Virtual)	Public Contract Renegotiations: An Economist's Perspective Dr Stéphane SAUSSIER Professor, IAE Paris-Sorbonne (Sorbonne Business School), France
11.15 - 11.45	Coffee Break
11.45 - 12.30 (Physical)	Public Procurement Law Clinic Dr Peter BRAUN Partner for Public Procurement / Compliance, Co-Head Public Procurement Europe at Dentons, Germany
12.30 - 14.00	Lunch
	Afternoon Session
14.00 - 15.00 (Virtual)	Regulating Emergency Procurement in the EU: Some Insights from the Regulatory Experience of the Pandemic Professor Sue ARROWSMITH Professor Emerita, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom
15.00 - 15.45 (Physical)	Price Increase and Extreme Urgency - Practical Aspects Regarding Changes in Public Contracts and Direct Awards Mr. Kristoffer SÄLLFORS Member of the Swedish Bar Association and Public Procurement Expert, Sweden
15.45 - 15.50	Closing Remarks
15.50	Closing Drink

Timing: 09.45 - 10.30

Session 1: The Future of Sustainable Public Procurement (SPP): From Sectoral to a Stronger General Principle



Roberto CARANTA, *Professor of Administrative Law, University of Turin, Italy*

Dr Roberto Caranta is Vice chair of the Procurement Review Board of the European Space Agency and Coordinator of Sustainability and Procurement in International, European, and National Systems - SAPIENS - International Training Network, supervisor of ESR 7: Enforcing sustainability and social requirements in contract performance. He is often involved in trainings with international and European participants and consulted by European and national institutions.

He was General rapporteur to the 2014 FIDE Congress in Copenhagen: 'General Report' in U. Neergaard, C. Jackson, G.S. Ølykke (eds) *'Public Procurement Law: Limitations, Opportunities and Paradoxes. The XXVI FIDE Congress in Copenhagen, 2014 Congress Publications Vol. 3'* (DJØF, 2014) and co-edits the *'European Procurement Law Series'*. Among his most recent works, Dr Caranta edited with Albert Sánchez Graells *'European Public Procurement. Commentary to Directive 2014/24/EU'* (Elgar Publishing, 2021); *'Public-Private Partnerships and Concessions in the EU'*. Professor Caranta is also author of other publications: *'An Unfinished Legislative Framework'* (Cheltenham, Elgar, 2020 - edited with P. Bogdanowicz and P. Telles) and *'Cost and EU Public Procurement Law. Life-Cycle Costing for Sustainability'* (London, Routledge, 2020 - edited with M. Andhov and A. Wiesbrock).



Timing: 10.30 – 11.15

Session 2: Public Contract Renegotiations: An Economist's Perspective



Stéphane SAUSSIER, *Professor, IAE Paris-Sorbonne (Sorbonne Business School), France*

Dr Stéphane Saussier is Scientific Advisor at the Florence School of Regulation.

He is also a Professor of Economics at the Sorbonne Business School - University Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne. He is a specialist of contract and organisation theories.

Since 2009, he has been running a research group working on the Economics of Public Private Partnerships (PPP) at the Sorbonne. He published many articles in international journals.

Professor Saussier is also regularly involved in reports for international institutions such as United Nations (UN), Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and European Parliament, and national institutions like the French Council of Economic Analysis for which he wrote a report on the efficiency of public procurement in France in 2015, with Jean Tirole (Nobel Prize 2014).



Timing: 11.45 - 12.30

Session 3: Public Procurement Law Clinic



Peter BRAUN, *Partner for Public Procurement / Compliance, Co-Head Public Procurement Europe at global law firm Dentons, Germany*

Dr Peter Braun specialises in national and international matters of public procurement law, privatisations, public private partnerships (PPP) and compliance.

He regularly advises public sector authorities in structuring complex public acquisition processes and assists private sector companies in developing effective strategies for participating in tender procedures worth more than 2 billion Euro.

Dr. Braun further advises on compliance issues, particularly in connection with the debarment of international financial institutions such as the World Bank. This focus at the interface of public procurement law and compliance played a particularly important role last year. Moreover, he is the speaker of the board of Pro Bono Deutschland.

He has published widely on public procurement, advised on the implementation of EU Public Procurement Law and is a regular speaker on national and international conferences and training seminars on the subject.

Mr. Braun has been consistently ranked on leading legal gazettes for a number of years as a notable practitioner in his field, including Chambers Europe and Legal 500.



Timing: 14.00 - 15.00

Session 4: Regulating Emergency Procurement in the EU: Some Insights from the Regulatory Experience of the Pandemic



Sue ARROWSMITH, *Professor Emerita, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom*

Professor Sue Arrowsmith KC (hon) is Professor Emerita at the University of Nottingham. She has a B.A. (first class hon.) from Oxford University and a D.Jur from Osgoode Hall Law.

In 2007 she was awarded the Swinbank Medal of the Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply (MCIPS) for thought innovation in purchasing and supply and in 2019 was made an honorary Queens Counsel (now King's Counsel) in recognition of her significant contribution to the development of the law of England and Wales in the field of public procurement.

She is currently on the European Space Agency's Procurement Review Board. Previously, she has been a member of the UNCITRAL Procurement Experts Group (the World Bank International Advisory Group on Procurement), the European Commission's independent Advisory Committee on procurement, and an Expert with the International Partnership against Corruption in Sport (IPACS), Taskforce 1. She has also been consultant for the UK, UN, WTO, OECD, EU, European Central Bank, ILO, ITC and the Law Commission of England and Wales.

Professor Arrowsmith has recently been instrumental reforming public procurement rules and served on the UK's Procurement Transformation Advisory Panel, advising on the development of the Government's 2020 Green Paper, Transforming Public Procurement. She is also a member of the Government's Thematic Working Group on Procurement advising on public procurement rules in trade agreements and was recently also a member of the Advisory Committee for the Independent Review of Criminal Legal Aid.

Her publications have been extensively cited by courts around the world. Her many books include *The Law of Public and Utilities Procurement*, which was described in 2018 by the English High Court as "the leading academic authority" and "highly persuasive" for the courts in making decisions in this field. She is also the founding Editor of the international journal *Public Procurement Law Review* and is currently the co-editor of the journal with Luke Butler.

Her most recent book is *Public Procurement in (a) Crisis? Global lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic* (Hart, 2021), co-edited with Luke Butler, Annamaria La Chimia and Christopher Yukins, which assesses frameworks for regulating public procurement in emergencies in the light of global experiences in the pandemic



Timing: 15.00 - 15.45

Session 5: Price Increase and Extreme Urgency - Practical Aspects Regarding Changes in Public Contracts and Direct Awards



Kristoffer SÄLLFORS, *Member of the Swedish Bar Association and Public Procurement Expert, Sweden*

Kristoffer Sällfors is a Public Procurement Expert at Vinge Law Firm in Stockholm, Sweden.

He has many years' experience in the field of public procurement and is regularly engaged by contracting authorities and suppliers to advise on all stages of procurement.

He has extensive experience of conducting litigation before the Swedish courts as well as before the Court of Justice of the European Union.

Prior to Vinge, Mr. Sällfors was a legal counsel at the Swedish Competition Authority where he worked with enforcement of public procurement legislation.

He was appointed expert in Swedish Government Official Report on procurement and collective agreements and has attended the Executive Program in Public Procurement Law and Policy at the University of Nottingham.





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