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Scuola Superiore Meridionale,
Largo San Marcellino, 80138 Napoli, Floor 4

Social Rights in Europe

This workshop addresses topical issues of the regulation of social rights in Europe. It reflects on the historical evolution and present challenges of the legal architecture governing social security rights. It examines the network of interrelated regimes governing social rights in Europe including the European Convention of Human Rights, the EU, and the EEA. It discusses the interpretation of social security rights by European Courts. A second more operative part of the workshop tackles practical case studies relating to the reduction and withdrawal of social benefits, the possibility to 'export' those benefits in an EEA State different from the State granting them. The workshop aims at devising a framework for assessing commonalities and differences in the social security regulation in different national regimes in the context of European laws and practices.

9:30 Welcome

Giacinto della Cananea, Bocconi University and SSM

9:40 Mads Andenæs, University of Oslo

Introductory Remarks: Concepts and Legal Disciplines

Session I: Foundations of Social Security Rights in Europe

Chair: Giacinto della Cananea, Bocconi University and SSM

9:50-10:10 Social Security Rights: historical evolution and current challenges

Frans Pennings, Utrecht University

10:10-10:30 EU Social citizenship: between individual rights and national concerns

Catherine Jacqueson, University of Copenhagen

10:30-11:30 General Discussion

Principal Discussants: Stefano Civitarese, Chieti-Pescara University

Elena Gramano, Bocconi University

Break 11:30-11:50

Session II: Social security Rights in the EU and in the EEA

Chair: Mads Andenæs, University of Oslo

11:50-12:10 The Social Security scandal in Norway

Tarjei Bekkedal, University of Oslo

12:10-12:30 Homogeneous Interpretation of EEA law in the context of social security: Testing the Limits?

Andrijana Zivic, EUI Florence

General Discussion

12:30-13:30

Principal Discussant: Martina Conticelli, Università Roma Tor Vergata

14:30-16:30

Afternoon Session: Drafting of case studies for assessing the management of social rights in different jurisdictions

Chairs: Giacinto della Cananea, Bocconi University and SSM

Angela Ferrari Zumbini, University of Naples Federico II and SSM

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