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European Legal Studies
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High-Level Conference “The Internal Market 2.0”

1. Theme

This conference brings together world-leading academics and practitioners, to reflect critically yet constructively on the past achievements of the internal market in the process of European integration, its current state (including the various legal and political controversies that have arisen over the past years, especially in relation to its arguably imperfect accommodation of other public interests), and its future (including the challenges and opportunities posed by digitalization and technological progress more generally).

The aim of the conference is to formulate fundamental and concrete proposals for the further development of the internal market project, on the basis of a holistic and honest account of the past and present, its achievements and its failings.

The conference will commemorate the late Professor Alfonso Mattera, distinguished faculty member of the LAW Department of the College of Europe and invaluable contributor to the internal market project through his work in the European Commission and as an academic. Specifically, the conference will organize the opening panel session on “The Internal Market in its Historical Context” in his honor, which will be chaired by Professor Laurence Gormley.

The working languages of the conference will be English and French.

2. Publication

Speakers' contributions will be published in either an edited volume, or as a special journal edition, to be determined. All the speakers will be informed from the outset that they are expected to produce a paper (5 to 10-page draft before the conference, and a 20 to 30-page chapter in the months following the conference).

3. Date

The two-day conference will take place on Thursday 21 and Friday 22 February 2019.

Coffee and lunch will be included for all participants. Dinner is reserved for speakers and panelists.