Services of general interest (SGI) remain high on the legal and political agenda of the European Union. However, the debates about SGI usually focus on internal market, competition, state aid and procurement rules. The external and international dimension of these services is often overlooked, even though EU external and international law have a significant impact on the provision and organisation of SGI. As the EU is required to pursue its internal values which include the special situation of SGI as stipulated in Protocol No. 26 in its external policies, important questions about EU trade, investment and other external policies arise. This is in particular relevant in light of recent trade negotiations in the field of services.

The workshop will therefore focus on the external and international dimension of SGI. It will assess the impact of international economic law, namely trade, investment and financial law on SGI. In addition it looks at specific legal subfields which dominate the debate in EU law, i.e. subsidies, procurement and competition law, by considering the equivalent areas of international law. Furthermore, EU external law, comparative perspective (the NAFTA experience) and sectoral issues will illustrate the many facets of SGI in the external and international law of the EU.

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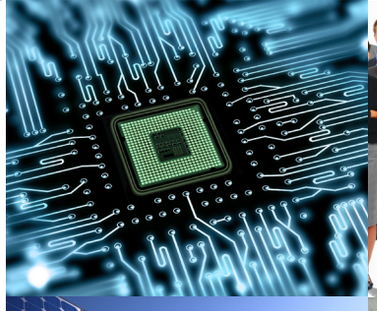

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Programme

Wednesday, 18 September 2013

10:00 **Registration and coffee**

10:30 **Welcome and Introduction**
Bernhard Wegener, Dean,
Faculty of Law and Economics, Erlangen
Markus Krajewski, Erlangen

11:00 **Services of general interest in international economic law (1): Trade and investment**
Chair: *Markus Krajewski*

Revisiting the impact of WTO and GATS on public services
Amedeo Arena, Napoli

Regulating foreign investment in public services and international investment law
Francesco Costamagna, Torino

Comment: *Rolf Adlung, WTO, Geneva;*
Donna McGuire, Kassel

12:30 **Lunch**

14:00 **Services of general interest in international economic law (2): International financial regime and competition law**
Chair: *Angelika Emmerich-Fritsche, Erlangen*

Services of general interest under regimes of fiscal austerity
David Hall, PSIRU, Greenwich / London

Emerging principles of international competition law: Do SGI matter?
Johan van de Gronden, Nijmegen;

Comment: *Alice Wagner, Chamber of Labour, Vienna*

15:30 **Coffee**

16:00 **Services of general interest in international economic law (3): Subsidies and procurement law**
Chair: *Nicolas Sonder, KPMG Law, Nürnberg*

Financing services of general interest and WTO disciplines on subsidies
Pernille Wegener Jessen, Aarhus

WTO procurement rules, in particular the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA) and services of general interest
Wolfgang Weiß, Speyer

Comment: *Rike Krämer, UCL London;*
Tine Hördum, Stadtwerke Köln

19:00 **Dinner**

Thurdsday, 19 September 2013

9:00 **EU external law and services of general interest**
Chair: *Christoph Herrmann, Passau*

A normative basis for EU external relations? Protecting internal values beyond the Single Market
Piet Eeckhout, UCL London

Public services in EU Trade Agreements, including Economic Partnership Agreements
Markus Krajewski, Erlangen

10:30 **Coffee**

11:00 **Comparative dimension**
Chair: *Johan van de Gronden, Nijmegen*

Services of general interest in EU Neighbourhood policy
Nariné Ghazaryan, Brunel University, Uxbridge

Public services in NAFTA
J. Anthony VanDuzer, Ottawa

Comment: *Pierre Bauby, Paris*

12:30 **Lunch**

13:30 **Sectoral perspectives**
Chair: *Jim Davies, Northampton*

Towards an international regime of regulating electronic communications
Olga Batura, Bremen

Health systems and policy space
Meri Koivusalo, Helsinki

Energy and environmental services
Panagiotis Delimatsis, Tilburg

15:30 **End of the conference**

Optional visit to the Memorium Nuremberg Trials