



Keynote speakers

Hon. Franco Frattini, Vice-President of the European Commission and Commissioner responsible for Justice, Freedom and Security, Brussels

Hon. Giuseppe Pisanu, Minister of the Interior, Italy, Rome

List of speakers and chairpersons

Mr Stefano Bertozzi, Member of Commissioner Frattini's Cabinet responsible for Immigration, Asylum and Borders, Brussels

Ms Cristina Castagnoli, Administrator, Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, European Parliament, Brussels

Ms Katelijne Declerck, Vice-President, International Association of Refugee Law Judges, Brussels

Dr Wolfgang Heusel, Director, Academy of European Law, Trier

Dr Jürgen Humburg, Senior Protection Assistant, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Rome

Mr Ilkka Laitinen, Executive Director, Frontex Agency, Warsaw

Professor Bruno Nascimbene, Professor of EC Law, Faculty of Law, University of Milan, Milan

Mr Richard Plender QC, Barrister, London

Ms Sandra Pratt, Head of Unit for Asylum and Immigration, Directorate-General for Justice, Freedom and Security, European Commission, Brussels

Mr Peter Schatzer, Chief of Mission and Regional Coordinator for the Mediterranean, International Organisation for Migration (IOM), Rome

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Representatives of the Ministry of Interior, Italy, Rome

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The "Hague Programme" sets the direction for the EU in the second phase of its development of a common policy on asylum, migration and borders. This seminar will look at the challenges presented by the programme in selected fields.

A stronger emphasis on co-operation with third countries is evident from the Hague Programme. On 11 January 2005, the European Commission presented a green paper on an "EU approach to managing economic migration" (COM(2004) 811 final) and on 1 September 2005 a new package of measures was adopted which comprises the proposal for a Directive on Common Standards on Return (COM(2005) 391 final) and three Communications, on Regional Protection Programmes, on Integration and on Migration and Development (COM(2005) 388-389-390 final).

The seminar will discuss these initiatives, with an emphasis on the perceived need for the EU to manage migration flows more effectively. The continuing attempts to set up a common asylum policy acceptable to all EU member states and refugee rights will also be discussed. Whilst looking mainly to the future, the seminar will also review from a legal perspective the achievements of EU immigration and asylum policy since Tampere in 1999.

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Friday, 25 November 2005

- 14:30 Arrival and Registration
- 15:00 **Welcome and Introduction**
Marisa Troise Zotta and Wolfgang Heusel
- 15:15 **Keynote Speech "Migration, Integration and Development: Towards a European Policy"**
Giuseppe Pisanu and Franco Frattini
- Session I: Introduction**
- 15:45 **EU Policy on Asylum and Immigration: the New Framework in Light of the Hague Programme and the EU Action Plan**
Bruno Nascimbene
- 16:15 **Latest Developments in Asylum and Immigration: Coordination Between the EU and Member States**
Representative of the Ministry of Interior, Italy
- 16:45 **Discussion**
- 17:00 Coffee Break
- Session II: Immigration and Asylum: Development of Policy and Legislation**
- 17:30 **The Green Paper on an EU Approach to Managing Economic Migration: Contents and Results of the Discussion among EU Institutions, Member States and Civil Society**
Stefano Bertozzi
- 18:00 **Discussion**
- 18:30 End of First Day and Evening Programme with shuttle bus to Rome City Centre

Saturday, 26 November 2005

- 09:00 **The New EU Legislative Framework on Immigration: Charting the Most Recent Developments in Light of Co-operation with Third Countries**
Sandra Pratt
- 09:30 **Towards a Common European Asylum System: Entering the Second Phase**
Cristina Castagnoli
- 10:00 **Issues and Problems for the Implementation of European Legislation in National Law**
Richard Plender QC
- 10:30 **Discussion**
- 11:00 Coffee Break
- Session III: Immigration and Asylum in Practice**
- 11:30 **Role and Powers in Combating Illegal Migration of the European Agency for the Management of Operational Co-operation at the External Borders of the Member States (FRONTEX)**
Ilkka Laitinen
- 12:00 **Specific Problems Concerning the Management of Operational Co-operation: Italy's Experience with External Borders**
Representative of the Ministry of Interior, Italy
- 12:30 **Discussion**
- 13:00 Lunch

- 14:00 **Common Return and Readmission Policy from the National Perspective: the Example of Italy**
Representative of the Ministry of Interior, Italy
- 15:00 **Shaping Asylum Policy in Europe: What Role for the National Judge in Asylum Procedures?**
Katelijne Decker
- 15:30 **Discussion**
- 16:00 Coffee Break
- Session IV: Priorities and Expectations for Refugee Rights in an Enlarged Europe**
- 16:30 **Refugees and Fundamental Rights in the EU: Status Quo and Future Expectations**
Jürgen Humburg
- 17:00 **the Role of Civil Society and Intergovernmental Organisations in Assisting Refugees**
Peter Schatzer
- 17:30 **Discussion**
- 18:00 End of the Seminar and shuttle bus to Rome City Centre

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