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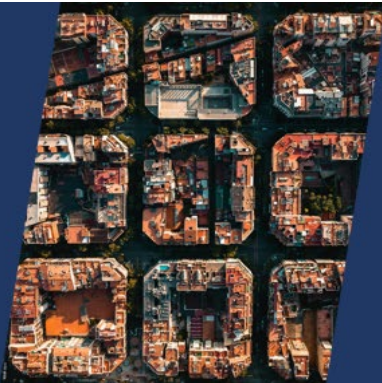
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## Private International Law in Disrupted Commercial Relationships

### 1 JUNE (DAY ONE) – JURISDICTION AND DISPUTE STRATEGY

8:45 – 9:15	Arrival and registration of participants – University of Barcelona PAX 3.0 Team	
9:15 – 9:30	<i>Opening Addresses</i>	<b>Marta Pertegás Sender</b> , Main Coordinator of the Project PAX 3.0  <b>Beatriz Añoveros Terradas</b> , Coordinator of University of Barcelona PAX 3.0 Team  <b>Cristina González Beilfuss</b> , Coordinator of University of Barcelona PAX 3.0 Team
9:30 – 11:00	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	<b>Vesna Lazic: Validity and Effectiveness of Choice-of-Court Agreements in International Contracts.</b> Consent, standard terms and jurisdiction agreements creating the international character of the dispute.
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 – 13:00	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	<b>Eduardo Silva de Freitas: Parallel Proceedings and the Coordination of Jurisdiction.</b> Lis pendens, negative declaratory actions and procedural behaviour of the parties.
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch	
14:30-16:00	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	<b>Helene Van Lith: Interaction Between Arbitration Agreements and Court Jurisdiction.</b> Strategic choice of dispute resolution.
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break	
16:30 – 17:30	<i>Guest Lecture</i>	<b>Guest Lecture</b>
19:30	Dinner	



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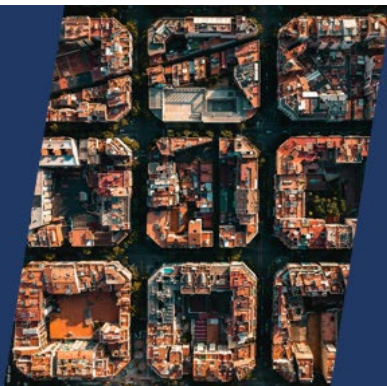


## 2 JUNE (DAY TWO) – APPLICABLE LAW AND DECISION-MAKING

9:30 – 11:00	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	<b>Lotte Vanfraechem: Determination of the Law Applicable to International Contracts.</b> Exclusion of the CISG and conflicting contractual terms.
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 – 12:45	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	<b>Jona Israël: Overriding Mandatory Provisions, Sanctions and Illegality of Performance.</b> Regulatory constraints and contractual remedies in cross-border litigation.
12:45 – 13:30	<i>Final Panel Discussion</i>	<b>Ilse Couwenberg: Judicial Decision-Making in Complex Cross-border Commercial Disputes.</b> Balancing party autonomy, procedural fairness and regulatory constraints.
13:30	Closing remarks & Lunch	<b>Beatriz Añoberos and Vésela Andreeva</b>

### SPEAKERS:

- **Beatriz Añoberos Terradas**, Full Professor PIL, University of Barcelona
- **Ilse Couwenberg**, Belgian Court of Cassation
- **Cristina González Beilfuss**, Full Professor PIL, University of Barcelona
- **Jona Israël**, Full professor PIL, Maastricht University
- **Vesna Lazić**, Senior Researcher, Asser Institute
- **Marta Pertegás Sender**, Full Professor PIL, University of Maastricht
- **Eduardo Silva de Freitas**, Researcher Asser Institute
- **Helene Van Lith**, Associate Professor PIL, University Paris Dauphine - PSL
- **Lotte Vanfraechem**, Practising Lawyer



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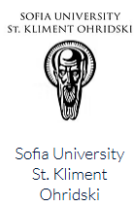
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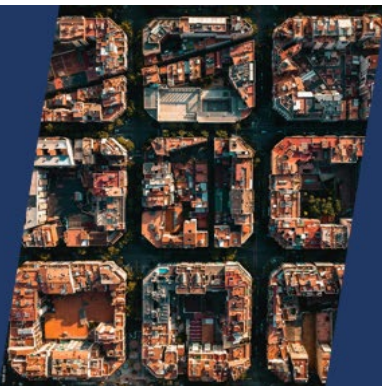


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