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Bridging the Gap between Law and Technology: The Role of Lawyers in AI, Digitalization, and Data Protection

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Introduction

The increasing impact of technology, particularly artificial intelligence, in our daily personal and professional lives, raises new and unique rights and obligations, which quickly come within the purview of the law and the legal profession. It is up to the lawyers to interpret and apply existing laws, as well as to be catalysts for the creation of future legislation, thereby bridging the gap between technical innovations and legal regulation, which must be primarily aimed at preserving the highest standards of human rights.

The responsibility of lawyers in this regard is extremely great, and the success of their work in bridging

the gap, in the post- AI world, depends not only on traditional legal knowledge and skills, but also on digital competencies and digital skills. As the implementation of technology, including AI is already beginning to have an impact on all areas of law and regulation, all lawyers, no matter in which legal systems they practice, must commit to acquiring the skills and knowledge for the understanding and use of these technologies, so as to be effective advocates, ensuring that in bridging the gap, human rights are indeed protected.

We look forward to seeing you in Novi Sad!



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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

19:00 WELCOME RECEPTION

Kindly offered by the Vojvodina Bar Association
Zmaj Jovina 20 / I, 21000, Novi Sad

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

08:30 – 09:00 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

University of Novi Sad
Dr Zorana Đinđića 1, Novi Sad

09:00 – 09:45 WELCOME AND OPENING OF THE SEMINAR

- **Jacqueline SCOTT**, *UIA President, Fortney & Scott, LLC, Washington, DC, USA*
- **Maja POPOVIĆ**, *Minister of Justice, Belgrade, Serbia*
- **Dr. Tatjana BUGARSKI**, *Dean of the Faculty of Law of the University of Novi Sad, Full Professor, Department of Criminal Law, Novi Sad, Serbia*
- **Dr. Veljko DELIBAŠIĆ**, *President of the Serbian Bar Association, Belgrade Bar Association, Belgrade, Serbia*
- **Vladimir BELJANSKI**, *President of Vojvodina Bar Association, Law Firm Beljanski, Novi Sad, Serbia*

Signature of the [UIA Charter of Fundamental Principles on Access to Justice for Women Victims of Violence](#) by the Bar Association of Serbia.

09:45 – 11:15 RIGHTS OF THE DIGITAL PERSON, HUMAN RIGHTS AND CRIMINAL LAW – Identification of Criminal Activity with Public Technology – Identifying the gap: technology has capabilities but where do we draw the line between opposing policies of tech and law/human rights

The use of Information and Communications technology (ICT) in the execution of criminal acts is becoming so pervasive that soon the clear line between high-tech crime and general crime will be erased. As criminals resort increasingly to technology in the commission of crimes, necessarily, the legal system must adapt its tools to prevent crime. With the advent of modern technologies, including AI, it is inevitable that such technologies will be used in the criminal justice system. Yet the use of technologies in crime prevention cannot be unfettered; there must be a balance between the use of technological innovations and the protection of the Rule of Law and human rights.

One of the most current issues threatening this balance between technology and human rights in the crime prevention context arises with the implementation of artificial intelligence in criminal proceedings through the models of so-called predictive justice and the use of remote biometric face identification. This panel will examine the limits of using such technology and the role that lawyers play in protecting against abuses of technology that violate basic human rights standards.

MODERATOR: ▪ **Vladimir BELJANSKI**, *President of Vojvodina Bar Association, Law Firm Beljanski, Novi Sad, Serbia*

SPEAKERS:

- **Dr. Tatjana BUGARSKI**, *Dean of the Faculty of Law of the University of Novi Sad, Full Professor, Department of Criminal Law, Novi Sad, Serbia*
- **Martin PRADEL**, *UIA-IROL Director General, Talma Avocats, Paris, France*
- **Luana ROBERTO**, *UIA Deputy Director of Seminars, Oratio-Fortis Avocates, Geneva, Switzerland*
- **Avi SINGH**, *Deputy Director General of UIA-IROL, Cicero Chambers, New Delhi, India*

Programme

11:15 – 11:45 COFFEE BREAK

11:45 – 13:15 LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

As AI continues to evolve, its impact on the workplace is profound, presenting both opportunities and challenges. One of the most pressing challenges is the responsible use of software and algorithms used in hiring. Such technology, if not properly used, can perpetuate bias and discrimination in the hiring and evaluation process. The lack of transparency in AI decision-making processes, often referred to as the "black box" problem, can lead to unfair treatment and legal disputes. When litigation ensues, who, then, is liable to employees claiming discrimination? Is it the employer who purchased the software? The software developer? Both? Neither? This panel will examine the opportunities and challenges raised by the use of software and algorithms in employment, and particularly in hiring, and how courts are grappling with the question of liability when discrimination occurs.

MODERATOR & SPEAKER: ▪ **Piergiorgio BONACOSSA**, *RPLT RP legalitax, Milan, Italy*

SPEAKERS:

- **Ulrich BAUMAN**, *President of the UIA Labour Law Commission, Oikon, Munich, Germany*
- **Giacomo DE FAZIO**, *Toffoletto De Luca Tamajo e Soci, Milan, Italy*
- **Marina MATOUSEKOVA**, *Talma Avocats, Paris, France*
- **Calin Viorel IUGA**, *IUGA & Asociatii, Cluj-Napoca, Romania*
- **Dr. Darko BOŽIČIĆ**, *University of Novi Sad Faculty of Law, Assistant Professor, Labour Law Department, Novi Sad, Serbia*

13:15 – 14:45 LUNCH

14:45 – 16:00 IP – IP, BIOTECHNOLOGY, AND FOOD SCIENCE

Biotechnology and food science – with their profound implications for health, food, agriculture, and environmental sustainability – thanks to technology, including artificial intelligence, are advancing at an unprecedented pace. However, these advancements also pose complex legal and ethical questions. How do we ensure that these technologies are used responsibly? How do we protect the rights of innovators, who until now, have mostly been human, while ensuring that life-saving treatments and safe food products are accessible?

Enter intellectual property law, which is the guardian of innovation, ensuring that creators and inventors receive credit for their contributions, while fostering an environment where creativity and innovation can flourish. But with the use of technology and the rapid advancements in biotechnology and food science – which may now include non-human innovators – existing IP frameworks and legal contexts may no longer be useful or applicable. This panel will explore ways in which artificial intelligence is being used in biotech and food science, the challenges and risks, and ways in which existing IP laws must adapt to keep pace.

MODERATOR: ▪ **Nicola LATTANZI**, *Vice President of the UIA Intellectual Property Commission, Eversheds Sutherland, Milan, Italy*

SPEAKERS:

- **Barbara J. GISLASON**, *UIA Chief Editor of the Jurist International, Law Office of Barbara J. Gislason, Fridley, MN, USA*
- **Dr. Sanja SAVČIĆ**, *University of Novi Sad Faculty of Law, Full Professor, Civil Law Sciences Department, Novi Sad, Serbia*
- **Darko MANDICH**, *CEO & Co-Founder of MeliBio, San Francisco, CA, USA*

16:00 – 16:30 COFFEE BREAK

16:30 – 17:45 FAMILY LAW AND IMMIGRATION

In many cases, the impact of AI will be greatest on families and children. The law must evolve alongside this progress to safeguard the rights of the most vulnerable individuals, ensuring they are not endangered.

First and foremost, there is a need to consider the privacy implications of using AI in family law cases, particularly regarding sensitive personal information and in light of data protection laws. Furthermore, there is a possibility that biases in AI algorithms will impact outcomes in family law cases, particularly with respect to race, gender, and socio-economic status. Finally, there is a need for clear regulations that will govern the use of AI in family law cases. It is necessary for some standards and rules to be determined, such as transparency, fairness and responsibility.

Bleeding over into the realm of family law, is the status of immigrants, both legal and illegal, who often find themselves before family courts. Their immigrant status is often a complicating factor, but must be considered, and their rights must also be protected. This is especially true when AI is used to determine their legal status. This panel will discuss the impact of AI on family law cases, including when those cases involve migrants.

MODERATOR: ▪ **Boško KAČANSKI**, Attorney, Law Firm Kacanski, Translator, Novi Sad, Serbia

SPEAKERS:

- **Hervé LINDER**, President of the UIA Immigration and Nationality Law Commission, Ernst & Linder LLC, New York, NY, USA
- **Dr. Zoran LONČAR**, University of Novi Sad Faculty of Law, Full Professor, Department of Public Law, Novi Sad, Serbia
- **Dr. Bojan TUBIĆ**, University of Novi Sad Faculty of Law, Full Professor, International Law and International Relations Department, Novi Sad, Serbia
- **Dr. Sandra SAMARDŽIĆ**, University of Novi Sad Faculty of Law, Assistant Professor, Civil Law Sciences Department, Novi Sad, Serbia

17:45 – 18:00 CLOSING REMARKS

18:00 – 19:00 NETWORKING SESSION

During this session, the participants will give a short presentation of themselves. The aim is to extend their network internationally for future engagements, to meet lawyers from around the world and to share their experience of managing law firms.

20:00 OPTIONAL DINNER

Restaurant Karlo Tvrdjava

Petrovaradinska Tvrdjava, Petrovaradin, Novi Sad

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

09:00 – 09:15 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

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09:15 – 10:45 HOW TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION IS TRANSFORMING FINANCE AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE?

Advances in digitalisation and financial technology continue to affect the landscape of the financial system, including in the provision of banking and financial services, as well as in the international trade sector. Digital finance is evolving rapidly, and innovations may have an impact on diverse areas of the financial system, from payment services to financial markets and international

trade. Artificial intelligence, social networks, machine learning, mobile applications, distributed ledger technology, cloud computing and big data analytics have given rise to new services and business models by established financial institutions and new market entrants. Banks that facilitate international trade by providing financing and guarantees to importers and exporters are aware of the importance of digital operating models. While digitalisation brings significant benefits to the financial and trade systems in various domains, including lower transaction costs and a higher level of financial inclusion, it can also create new vulnerabilities and amplify existing risks and challenges to banks and their customers, including those in the international trade sector. Speakers will describe the impact of new technologies on the banking and financial services industry, including how such technologies influence international trade, and will discuss the crucial role of lawyers in the Digital Era.

MODERATOR & SPEAKER: ▪ **Barbara BANDIERA**, President of the UIA Banking and Financial Services Law Commission, Milan, Italy

SPEAKERS:

- **Silvestre TANDEAU DE MARSAC**, UIA Finance Director, FTMS Avocats, Paris, France
- **Thierry BURNENS**, Chabrier Avocats LLC, Zurich, Switzerland
- **Dr. Sandra FIŠER ŠOBOT**, University of Novi Sad Faculty of Law, Full Professor, Department of Commercial Law, Novi Sad, Serbia

10:45 – 11:15 COFFEE BREAK

11:15 – 12:15 THE FUTURE OF THE LAWYERS – THE FUTURE OF LAWYERS COMMISSION

Digitalization and the development of information and communication technologies, especially artificial intelligence, have affected all segments of life and work, including the work of lawyers. As AI increasingly becomes a necessary tool for the practice of law and in the legal system, all lawyers must acquire digital competence and digital skills to be able to respond to all challenges of modern society. Similarly, law schools must recognize that, with the advent of AI, traditional legal training and skills will not be sufficient for lawyers to successfully perform their duties. Therefore, law schools bear a special responsibility to re-think how they prepare students to enter the practice of law. This panel will examine what the future with AI looks like and how students and lawyers alike can best prepare.

MODERATOR: ▪ **Tanja ARSIĆ**, Counsellor to the UIA President, Vice President of UIA Women's Committee, Novi Sad, Serbia

SPEAKERS:

- **Jacqueline SCOTT**, UIA President, Fortney & Scott, LLC, Washington, DC, USA
- **Massimo STERPI**, President of the UIA Art Law Commission, Studio Legale Gianni & Origoni, Rome, Italy
- **Dr. Bojan TUBIĆ**, University of Novi Sad Faculty of Law, Full Professor, International Law and International Relations Department, Novi Sad, Serbia

12:15 – 12:30 CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSING REMARKS

- **Jacqueline SCOTT**, UIA President, Fortney & Scott, LLC, Washington, DC, USA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

09:00 – 17:00 OPTIONAL EXCURSION

- Petrovaradin Fortress Museum
- Grgeteg Monastery/Novo Hopovo Monastery
- Kovačević Winery and Restaurant

General Information

SEMINAR VENUE

Opening & Thursday morning sessions of:

UNIVERSITY OF NOVI SAD

Dr Zorana Đinđića 1, Novi Sad

Thursday afternoon sessions and Friday:

**UNIVERSITY OF NOVI SAD
FACULTY OF LAW**

Trg Dositeja Obradovića 1, Novi Sad

HOW TO REACH NOVI SAD

Novi Sad is at 80-85 km from the Belgrade Nikola Tesla Airport (approx. 45 min./1 h drive).

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The working language will be **English**.

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HOTEL

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BALKAN COUNTRIES PARTICIPANTS	<input type="checkbox"/> € 180	<input type="checkbox"/> € 200
LAW STUDENT **	<input type="checkbox"/> € 100	

Fees include:

- Attendance at all working sessions
- Welcome cocktail on September 18
- Lunch on September 19
- Seminar documentation
- Coffee breaks on September 19 & 20

The dinner on Thursday, September 19 is optional and at additional charge.

* Please attach proof of age to the registration form to benefit from young lawyers fee.

** Please send a copy of your student card to benefit from the special rates.

Please note that the number of places at the seminar is limited. The organisers reserve the right to refuse registrations in the event of excess applications.

In order for your name to appear in the **list of participants**, which will be distributed during the seminar, your registration form must be received by **September 12** at the latest. An updated electronic list will be sent by email to all the participants after the seminar.

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Cancellation and General Conditions

→ CANCELLATION CONDITIONS

All cancellations will be subject to a 50% deduction and will have to be sent in writing, to be received by the Union Internationale des Avocats **no later than August 19, 2024**.

No refund will be made for cancellations received after this date.

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“Force majeure” means any events external to the parties, of both an unforeseeable and insurmountable nature that prevents either the client or the participants, or the agency or service providers involved in organising the seminar, from executing all or part of the obligations provided for in the present agreement. By express agreement, “force majeure” includes but is not limited to a strike affecting the means of transport; hotel staff; air traffic controllers; an insurrection; a riot; an epidemic or pandemic; or any prohibition whatsoever decreed by governmental or public authorities.

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Finally, you have the right to specify instructions concerning the fate of your data in the event of your demise.



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B. SEMINAR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Please indicate below whether you plan to attend the following event **included** in the cost of your registration.

- Welcome Cocktail – Wednesday, September 18 Lunch – Thursday, September 19

C. OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

(not included in the registration fees)

- Optional Dinner – Thursday, September 19

• Please book person(s) for the dinner

€ 65 x ___ / pers

- Optional Excursion – Sunday, September 22

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D. TOTAL

TOTAL (A) – Registration Fees

€

TOTAL (C) – Optional Activities

€

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