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# Immigration in the European Union – Rules and Legal Practice. The Role of the Lawyer

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Seminar organised by the UIA in collaboration with the Supreme Bar Council (SBC) and the Sofia Bar Council (Sofia BC)

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## Introduction

Immigration rules and procedures in the European Union are at the same time so important and so challenging. National and European courts face more cases on key aspects of immigration. Beyond politics and media, the practice of immigration rules shows the complexity of each case and the need for practitioners and other interested parties to exchange and learn from each other's experience. This seminar focuses on practical discussions and provides a useful base to address current issues and trends faced by lawyers defending immigrants and their families, economic operators and authorities.

The 2016 Sofia seminar follows a very successful and well attended 2015 edition and brings together practitioners of many jurisdictions, members of the European Courts along with academics and Union officials.



Thursday | November | 10 | 2016

**19:30** WELCOME COCKTAIL

**Grand Hotel Sofia**  
1, Gurko Street  
1000 Sofia, Bulgaria



Friday | November | 11 | 2016

**08:30 – 09:00 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS**

**Grand Hotel Sofia**  
1, Gurko Street, 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria

**09:00 – 09:30 WELCOME AND OPENING OF THE SEMINAR**

- **Jean-Jacques UETTWILLER**, *UIA President, UGGC Avocats, Paris, France*
- **Ralitsa Bosilkova NEGENTSOVA**, *Attorney at Law, President of the Supreme Bar Council, Bulgaria*
- **Petar KITANOV**, *Attorney at Law, President of the Sofia Bar Council, Bulgaria*
- **Danail KIRILOV**, *President of Legislative Commission of the Parliament, Bulgaria*
- **Lozan PANOV**, *President of Supreme Court of Cassation, Bulgaria*
- **Maya MANOLOVA**, *National Ombudsman, Bulgaria*

**09:30 – 10:30 IDENTIFICATION OF THE TOPIC OF IMMIGRATION : DEFINITIONS, SCOPE, ISSUES**

- **Peter LULOV**, *Legal Assistant at the General Court of the European Union, Luxembourg*

**FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT OF THE CITIZENS OF THE EU AND PERSONS WITH EQUATED RIGHTS**

- **Stanislav KOSTOV**, *Professor, University of Sofia, Bulgaria*

**10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK**

**11:00 – 12:15 LABOUR MIGRATION/MIGRATION WITH REGARD TO EXERCISING THE RIGHT OF LABOUR RESIDENCE OF THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS IN THE EU WITH REGARD TO LABOUR**

**Moderator & speaker:** • **Matthew WILLS**, *Laura Devine Solicitors, London, United Kingdom*

**Speakers:**

- National regime - General procedure for issuance of work permit by the Employment Agency**
- **Mrs. Lilyana DOBREVA**, *Head of “Work permits and registration of private intermediaries” department within the Employment agency, Bulgaria*
- **Mrs. Krasya TOMOVA**, *Senior expert in “Work permits and registration of private intermediaries” department within the Employment agency, Bulgaria*

**Brexit – Report from UK**

- **Matthew WILLS**, *Laura Devine Solicitors, London, United Kingdom*

**Highly qualified employment - EU Blue card. Practical experience**

- **Lyuben TODEV**, *Dobrev and Lyutskanov Law Firm, Sofia, Bulgaria*

**12:15 – 13:00 MIGRATION OF CAPITALS. EUROPEAN AND NATIONAL LEGISLATION**

**Moderator & speaker:** • **Silvi GRAVILOV**, *Attorney at law, Member of the Sofia Bar Association, Bulgaria*

**Mergers and acquisitions of companies in the EU. Societas Europaea**

- **Jean-Jacques UETTWILLER**, *UIA President, UGGC Avocats, Paris, France*
- **Aneta ANTONOVA**, *Professor, University of Sofia, Bulgaria*

**13:00 – 14:30 LUNCH**

**14:30 – 15:30 INVESTMENT IMMIGRATION IN THE EU/ ECONOMIC MIGRATION**

**Bulgarian Investment Immigration Program. Practical experience**

- **Tereza SHISHKOVA**, *Dobrev and Lyutskanov Law Firm, Sofia, Bulgaria*

**The Greek and The Cypriot Investment Immigration Law**

- **Hristos KAZANTZIS**, *Dobrev and Lyutskanov Law Firm, Sofia, Bulgaria*

**The Hungarian Law and practical experience**

- **Sándor NÉMETH**, *SzecsKay Attorneys at Law, Budapest, Hungary*

**15:30 – 16:00 COFFEE BREAK**

**16:00 – 17:30 IMMIGRANTS IN SPECIFIC SITUATIONS: WAR, POLITICAL, CLIMATE CHANGE. EUROPEAN AND NATIONAL LEGISLATION. PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE**

**Speakers:**

- **Valeria ILAREVA**, *Lawyer, Sofia, Bulgaria*
- **Dobroslav RUKOV**, *Judge of the Administrative court of Sofia, Bulgaria*

**Discussion**

**20:00 OPTIONAL DINNER**

**Hadjidraganovite Izbi**

18, Hristo Belchev Street, 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria

**09:00 – 09:15** REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

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**09:15 – 10:15** IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES:  
MARRIAGE, DEPENDENCY. STATUS AND RIGHTS OF CHILDREN

Rights of non-accompanied children and children refugees pursuant Bulgarian legislation. Compatibility with international standards

• Vladislava DOYCHINOVA, *VDD Legal, Sofia, Bulgaria*

Rules and practical experience in the Republic of Greece

• Hristos KAZANTZIS, *Legal adviser, Thessaloniki Municipality, Greece*

**10:15 – 11:30** FORCED REMOVAL TO THE BORDER.  
RIGHT TO SANCTUARY. AML/CFT RULES

**Moderator & speaker:** • Barbara BANDIERA, *Studio Legale RCC, Milan, Italy*

**Speakers:**

• Vangelia TERZIYSKA, *Representative Directorate "Migration", Sofia, Bulgaria*

• Krasimir DOCHEV, *Representative Directorate "Migration", Sofia, Bulgaria*

• Representative "Border Police", *Sofia, Bulgaria*

**11:30 – 11:45** COFFEE BREAK

**11:45 – 12:30** ROLE OF LAWYERS IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS, REPORTING OBLIGATIONS. FUNCTION OF LAWYERS IN OBTAINING FINANCIAL AND MATERIAL SUPPORT

The role of lawyers and lawyers organisations in the protection of refugees on the welcome points, "the first-level lawyer" and the specific projects of lawyers training

• Michel BENICHO, *President of the CCBE (Conseil des barreaux européens – Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe), Brussels, Belgium*

**12:30 – 13:00** CLOSING REMARKS



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## General Information

### SEMINAR VENUE

**GRAND HOTEL SOFIA**  
1, Gurko Street, 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria  
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### REGISTRATION FEES

	UIA Member		Non Member	
	≤ 31.10.2016	> 01.11.2016	≤ 31.10.2016	> 01.11.2016
<b>STANDARD REGISTRATION</b>	<b>€ 390*</b>	<b>€ 440*</b>	<b>€ 440*</b>	<b>€ 490*</b>
<b>YOUNG LAWYER (&lt;35)**</b>	<b>€ 340*</b>	<b>€ 390*</b>	<b>€ 390*</b>	<b>€ 440*</b>
<b>BULGARIAN PARTICIPANTS</b>	<b>€ 180*</b>			

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These fees cover participation in the welcome cocktail, participation in the seminar, coffee breaks, lunch on Friday, November 11, 2016, as well as the documentation of the seminar. The dinner on Friday night, November 11, 2016, is optional and at additional charge. 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.

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The working languages will be **English, Bulgarian and French** with a **simultaneous translation**.

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Hotel	Rates
<b>GRAND HOTEL SOFIA</b>	Superior room € 125
<i>Venue of the seminar</i>	Executive room € 135
1, Gurko Street	Double occupancy € 26 per night
1000 Sofia, Bulgaria	<b>Breakfast and taxes included</b>
T +359 (2) 811 08 00	Excluding € 0.67 of tourist tax per person, per night,
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Arrival/departure times & flight numbers: .....

Hotel: .....

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## B. SEMINAR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

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

Welcome Cocktail – Thursday, November 10, 2016

Lunch – Friday, November 11, 2016

## C. OPTIONAL ACTIVITY

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(not included in the registration fees)

Optional Dinner – Friday, November 11, 2016

• Please book ..... person(s) for the dinner

€ 50 (Excl. VAT) x \_\_\_ / pers

Total (C) (Excl. VAT) € .....

## D. TOTAL

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TOTAL (A) Excl. VAT – Registration Fees € .....

TOTAL (C) Excl. VAT – Optional Activity € .....

TOTAL (A+C) Excl. VAT € .....

VAT if applicable (20%)\* € .....

TOTAL (A+C+VAT) € .....

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