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European Association
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Balancing Conflicting Public and Private Interests in European and International Family Law

Groningen, 30-31 October 2025

Thursday, 30 October 2025 (afternoon session – h. 13.30/17.00)

Venue: Van der Leeuw Room, Academy Building, Broerstraat 5, Groningen

13:30 – 13:50

Welcome and Introduction

Prof. Dr. Wilbert Kolkman, Dean of the Groningen Law Faculty

13:50 – 14:50

Panel I – Cross-border Family Relationships

Chair: Dr. Aukje Mens, University of Groningen, **The Netherlands**

1. Prof. Dr. Michael Stürner, University of Konstanz, **Germany**
As You Like It? The Reform of the Law Applicable to Name and Gender in Germany
2. Prof. Francesco Astone, University of Foggia, **Italy**
Parental responsibility on cross-border relationships
3. Mr. Robert Thake, Legal Office Specialized in Family Law, **Malta**
International Child Abduction

14:50 – 15:20

Discussion

15:20 – 15:35

Coffee Break

15:35 – 16:35

Panel II – Matrimonial Property Law

Chair: Prof. Giovanni Marini, University of Perugia, **Italy**

1. Prof. Maria Rosaria Marella, Roma Tre University, **Italy**
Marital Property and Carework. A Quest for a Fair Distribution Regime
2. Dr. Roberta Bendinelli, University of Sassari, **Italy**
Private autonomy and arrangements related to divorce
3. Prof. Maria Novella Bugetti, University of Ferrara, **Italy**
Communion of life and communion of property between spouses in the mirror of the crisis: paths of case-law in Italy

16:35 – 17:00

Discussion



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Friday, 31 October 2025 (morning session – h. 9.30/13.00)

Venue: Norman Building, Lutkenieuwstraat 5, Groningen

09:30 – 10:30

Panel III – Cohabitation

Chair: Prof. Salvatore Patti, **Italy**

1. Avv. Maria Alessandra Iannicelli, **Italy**
Cohabitation in Italy after Almost Ten Years Since Law No. 76/2016
2. Prof. Camino Sanciñena Asurmendi, University of Oviedo, **Spain**
Cohabitation versus Marriage in Spain

10:30 – 11:00

Discussion

11:00 – 11:15

Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:15

Panel IV – Living Wills and Last Wills

Chair: Prof. Dr. Leon Verstappen, University of Groningen, **The Netherlands**

1. Prof. Mirzia Bianca, Sapienza University of Rome, **Italy**
A Rethinking on the Forced Heirs' Position in Italy
2. Dr. Joe van Anken, University of Groningen, **The Netherlands**
Informal Carers and the Law of Succession in the Context of Healthcare Privatisation
3. Prof. Diletta Giunchedi, University of Ferrara, **Italy**
The Italian Prohibition of Agreements as to Succession and Article 25 of Regulation (EU) No 650/2012

12:15 – 12:45

Discussion

12:45 – 13:00

Concluding Remarks
