Centre for International & European Law

## Public Lecture Shari'a and the rule of law

## 24 March 2015

The T.M.C Asser Instituut has the pleasure to invite you to attend a public lecture by **Laila Al-Zwaini**, Dutch-Iraqi arabist and jurist, on **Shari'a and the rule of law**. The lecture takes place within the framework of the MATRA South Administration of Justice training programme. This training programme, developed and delivered by the Asser Institute, is sponsored by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs and aims at strengthening the institutional capacity of the judiciary in these countries and assisting in enhancing the rule of law and its constitutional safeguards.

The lecture is open to the public and will address the nexus between Shari'a and the rule of law in the legal systems and practices of Arab countries. Ms Al-Zwaini will look at the tensions between incorporating international standards within the Shari'a-based constitutions and legal practices of these countries. She will also explore avenues towards developing a locally and globally shared rule of law culture. The lecture is followed by a discussion, moderated by Dr Tamara Takacs, Senior researcher at the T.M.C Asser Instituut.

**Time:** 18.30 hrs

**Venue:** T.M.C. Asser Instituut, R.J. Schimmelpennincklaan 20-22, The Hague

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