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Summer Programme on International Sports Law:

How to Play Football's Legal Game?

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International Sports Law

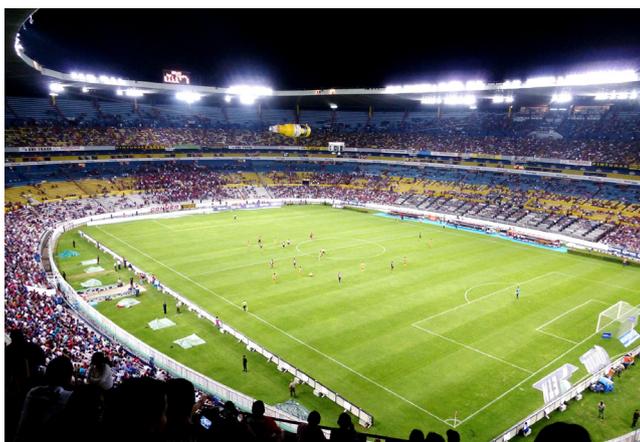
Twenty years ago the European Court of Justice delivered its instantaneously famous *Bosman* judgment. Not only did the judgment trigger a fundamental upheaval of the transfer system and grant the players more rights, it also had a profound impact on the governance of football. Various members of the football family initially perceived the ruling as a vital threat. In the end, *Bosman* sparked a productive rethinking of the way football is regulated in Europe and beyond.

New regulations concerning agents, the contractual status of players, and the financial obligations of clubs were devised. Meanwhile, old restrictions on foreign players were progressively abandoned, opening the way for a truly transnational field of play for football as an economic activity. New judicial institutions have taken a prominent role, such as the Court of Arbitration for Sport or the FIFA Dispute Resolution Chamber. Finally, UEFA and FIFA have been able to consolidate their governing position, by reaping more and more revenues and becoming the true European and World governments of football.

This new environment is full of (legal) challenges and opportunities. Lawyers, agents, players, managers and club officials, everyone is adapting to this regulatory structure. In fact, it is becoming more and more difficult to navigate the intricacies of the football world without a thorough knowledge of both FIFA's and UEFA's functioning and regulations.



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The skills needed to be successful in the football industry implies a capacity to master the fundamentals of FIFA's and UEFA's private regulations, to understand the basic principles underlying the CAS arbitration procedure, and to be aware of the rights and duties imposed by EU law on the football world.

This programme aims to ensure that you will be capable of advising players when they need to transfer from one country to another, to represent a club when it faces an UEFA investigation on the basis of its Financial Fair Play Regulations, or to negotiate TV rights in full cognition of the constraints imposed by EU law in this domain.

In short, the Summer Programme will engage, challenge, and equip you with the necessary knowledge and understanding of European and international football law.

Programme

The ASSER International Sports Law Centre provides a week-long educational programme in The Hague (29 June - 3 July 2015) led by a number of internationally renowned sports law experts (i.e. academics, practitioners, public officials, etc.).

The programme includes a combination of lectures and workshops that will provide both a general knowledge of the legal principles at play and a practical experience of the legal reality on the ground.



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Football Governance

- How UEFA and FIFA work
- Football integrity (Match-fixing, Corruption, Doping)

Football Justice

- FIFA and UEFA Disciplinary Bodies
- FIFA Dispute Resolution Chamber
- The Court of Arbitration for Sport

Football Players' Transfers

- FIFA Regulations on The Status and Transfer of Players
- FIFA Regulations on Working with Intermediaries
- Social Dialogue in Football

Football's Commercial Rules

- UEFA Club Licensing and Financial Fair Play Regulations
- Image Rights
- Third Party Ownership

Football and EU Competition Law

- Sale and exploitation of football media rights
- State aid in Football

The Summer Programme will be led by a number of internationally renowned sports law experts, academics, practitioners, arbitrators and public officials. Last year's speakers included amongst others **Jérôme Champagne** (FIFA Presidential Candidate), **Prof. Dr. Jack Anderson** (Queen's University Belfast), **Prof. Dr. Antonio Rigozzi** (University of Neuchâtel and Partner at Lévy Kaufmann-Kohler), **Prof. Dr. Karolina Tetlak** (Warsaw University), **Prof. Dr. Ben Van Rompuy** (Asser International Sports Law Centre, T.M.C. Asser Instituut and Vrije Universiteit Brussel), and **Prof. Dr. Richard Parrish** (Edge Hill University).

The programme structure is designed to engage participants offering valuable networking opportunities and to create an enjoyable educational experience.

Target Audience

The Summer Programme is designed for qualified attorneys, policy-makers, and representatives of clubs or federations but also advanced students (e.g. LL.M., Ph.D.) who wish to acquire in-depth knowledge on the regulation of football in Europe and beyond.



The Summer Programme's lectures cover a wide range of topics dealing with the regulation of football. It also includes a number of workshops deemed to facilitate through practical exercises the assimilation of the skills provided in the lectures.

The Summer Programme will give you a unique insight into the pressing issues concerning the European and International regulation of football and will give you the opportunity to:

- Acquire an in-depth knowledge of the theory and practice of FIFA's and UEFA's regulations;
- Learn through a variety of formats such as lectures, interactive group discussions, relevant case studies, timely debates and practical workshops;
- Keep up to date with the latest football cases and regulations;
- Take advantage of unique networking opportunities;
- Meet and discuss with a diverse set of sports Stakeholders;
- Enjoy The Hague's plays!

“The Summer Programme on International Sports Law was challenging, and above all inspiring. Law and sports, a competence I never thought that could be joined is a clear faculty”

Participant 2014



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Organisers

T.M.C. Asser Instituut

The T.M.C. Asser Instituut in The Hague is a distinctive, inter-university research institute specialised in International and European law and a leading and authoritative provider of executive education to students and professionals operating in the judicial sector.



The Institute initiates, develops and provides education (tailor-made programmes and summer programmes) to students and professionals working in the judicial sector.

Each programme has a high degree of flexibility and competence, taking advantage of our academic integration and our extensive network of excellent and renowned speakers and teaching staff.

Working with partners from complementary fields we are successful in creating truly unique and highly relevant programmes on a variety of subjects and levels for a diverse range of participants including among others students, judges, prosecutors, legislators, civil servants, diplomats and lawyers.

Located in the heart of the international justice community, within walking distance of such international organisations as the ICTY, the OPCW, and the Peace Palace (which houses the International Court of Justice and the Permanent Court of Arbitration), the T.M.C. Asser Instituut is the perfect host for organising Summer Programmes in international law.

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ASSER International Sports Law Centre

The ASSER International Sports Law Centre is widely recognised as a pioneer in the area of International and European sports law and remains one of the strongest, innovative, and comprehensive centres of excellence in this domain.

The mission of the ASSER International Sports Law Centre is to provide high quality research, services and products to the sporting world at large (sports ministries, international - intergovernmental - organisations, sports associations and federations, the professional sports industry, etc.) on both a national and an international basis.

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Practical Information

Date

29 June – 3 July 2015

Fee

€ 1295

This fee includes lectures, study materials, study visit, water/tea/coffee and lunch during working days, a reception and an opening dinner.

The fee does not cover (international) travel costs, domestic travel to and from airports etc., (hotel) accommodation, insurance or other expenses. The T.M.C. Asser Instituut can provide prospective participants with a list of suitable hotels in The Hague.

Registration

You can register by completing the online application form at: www.asser.nl/SPISL

The deadline for registration has been extended. You can register up to two weeks before the start of the Summer Programme..

Please read the Registration Information & Conditions carefully before registration.

Contact

For more information or questions please contact educationtraining@asser.nl



Registration Information & Conditions

Enrollment

1. You may register via the website by submitting the completed online registration form at www.asser.nl/SPISL.
2. Each participant should use a separate form.
3. The deadline for registration has been extended. You can register up to two weeks before the start of the Summer Programme.
4. Upon receipt of the completed online registration form, a confirmation letter and payment details will be sent to you by email.
5. Your registration is complete once the online registration form has been submitted and the payment has been received.
6. The registration form constitutes a legally binding agreement. By submitting the completed registration form the registrant declares to be in accordance with the requirements and provisions described therein.
7. The T.M.C. Asser Instituut cannot be held responsible for the non-arrival of registration information. If you have not received confirmation of your registration within 7 working days of submitting, please contact educationtraining@asser.nl.
8. The T.M.C. Asser Instituut reserves the right to withhold registration.

Fees and Payment Conditions

1. Fees for the week-long summer programme are € 1295.
2. The fee includes lectures, study materials, study visit, refreshments and lunch during working days, a reception and an opening dinner.
3. The full payment must be made within 10 days after receipt of the confirmation e-mail. You will only be secured of a place at the Summer Programme once the T.M.C. Asser Instituut has received your payment in full.
4. Participants are responsible for the cost of all international travel, accommodation evening meals (approximately €30 per day), and if applicable, any visa charges and medical insurance. The T.M.C. Asser Instituut can provide prospective participants with a list of suitable hotels in The Hague (€70-120 per day).

Cancellation Policy

1. Cancellations will only be accepted when your request for cancellation is submitted by e-mail to educationtraining@asser.nl.
2. If you cancel less than four weeks prior to the starting date of the Summer Programme, no refund of the course fee will be given.
3. If you cancel within the allotted time (at least 4 weeks before the starting date of the course), a processing fee of €200,- will be charged. The remaining sum will be refunded.
4. The T.M.C Asser Instituut reserves the right to cancel the Summer Programme. In the event that such action is necessary, registrants will be informed at least four weeks in advance of the starting date of the programme.
5. In the event that the T.M.C. Asser Instituut cancels the Summer Programme, the full sum paid will be reimbursed.

Visa

1. If you require a visa to visit the Netherlands, you are strongly advised to apply for your visa at least eight weeks prior to your departure to The Netherlands. The T.M.C. Asser Instituut does not arrange visas but will assist visa applicants where appropriate.

Liability

1. The T.M.C. Asser Instituut cannot be held liable for personal injuries or for loss and/or damage to the personal belongings of participants either during or as a result of their participation in the programme.



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