

## PROGRAMME

# Joint T.M.C. Asser Institute – Centre for the Law of EU External Relations (CLEER): General Principles in EU External Relations Law

6 December 2024

- 9:15**                    **Introduction**  
Chair: Dr Eva Kassoti (T.M.C. Asser Institute, CLEER)
- 09.30 – 10.45**       **Keynote: 'General Principles in EU External Relations Law: The Role of Equity'**  
*Prof. Samantha Besson (Collège de France, University of Fribourg)*
- 10.45-11.00**       **Coffee/Tea Break**
- 11.00-13.00**       **Panel 1: Cross-Cutting Issues: Coherence and the Protection of Fundamental Principles and Values**
- Chair: Prof. Ramses Wessel (University of Groningen)
  - Thomas Verellen (Utrecht University) – *Democracy at the Borders: analysing the Role of Democratic Principles in EU External Relations Law*
  - Jarne De Geyter (University of Ghent) – *The EU's Human Rights Obligations in its External Action: Between de jure Obligations and de facto Standards*
  - Areg Navasartian (Université libre de Bruxelles) – *What's in a Principle? Revisiting the Principle of Coherence*
  - Katja Ziegler (University of Leicester) (tbc)
- 13.00-14.00**       **Lunch**
- 14.00-16.00**       **Panel 2: Operationalisation of General Principles in Different Fields of EU External Action**
- Chair: Prof. Peter van Elsuwege (University of Ghent)
  - Andrea Ott (Maastricht University) – *The role of the principle of unity in international representation in the EU's external representation*
  - Francesca Finelli (University of Luxembourg, University of Pisa) – *Targeted Sanctions? The Role of the General Principle of Proportionality in Designing EU Restrictive Measures*
  - Teresa Cabrita (UCLouvain Saint-Louis Bruxelles) – *General Principles of EU External Relations Law and the EU's Response to Natural Disasters: Drawing from and Contributing to International Law*

- Florin Coman-Kund (Erasmus University, Rotterdam) – Consistency and Coordination in EU Agencies' External Relations: A case of 'Attention Deficit Disorder'?

**16.00-16.15**     **Coffee/Tea Break**

**16.15-17.45**     **Panel 3: Emerging General Principles in EU External Relations Law**

- Chair: Prof. Merijn Chamon (Vrije Universiteit Brussels)
- Narine Ghazaryan (Radboud University, Nijmegen) – Sustainable Development: A Principle of EU External Relations Law?
- Christos Karetzos (City, University of London) – EU External Relations: Principles under Construction? The (Foreign) Investment Screening Paradigm
- Monica Spatti (Catholic University of the Sacred Coeur, Milan) – Equivalence as an Emerging General Principle of EU External Relations Law

**17.45-18.00**     **Closing Remarks**

*Prof. Eleftheria Neframi (University of Luxembourg)*

**18.00**             **Reception**