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Ukraine’s European integration requires the further harmonisation of Ukrainian corporate law with the standards of the European Union. The 2014 Association Agreement between Ukraine and the EU provides an important legal framework for this process, requiring the approximation of Ukrainian legislation to the relevant EU acquis. At the same time, the implementation of EU standards involves not only formal legislative changes but also the effective adaptation of European legal concepts and corporate governance practices to the Ukrainian legal system, drawing on the experience of EU Member States and other candidate countries. The conference will examine the challenges and prospects of this harmonisation process, with particular attention to legal transplants and their role in achieving alignment with EU standards.

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Wednesday, 14 October 2026

- Arrival of the Participants

Thursday, 15 October 2026

Room 319, 3rd floor

10:00-10:30 **Registration of Participants, Opening Get-Together with Coffee and Snacks**

10:30-11:00 **Official Opening and Welcoming Remarks**

- Prof. Dr. Mirja Lecke, Head of the Chair of Slavic Literatures and Cultures / Co-Chair of the project "Think Space Ukraine" at the University of Regensburg, Germany
- Prof. Dr. Martin Löhnig, Scientific Director of the Institute for East European Law, Head of the Chair of Civil Law, German and European Legal History, and Canon Law, University of Regensburg, Germany
- Prof. Dr. Günter Krings, LL.M. (Temple), Member of the German Bundestag (CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group), Deputy Chair of the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group in the German Bundestag, Chair of the CDU Regional Group for North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany (Online)
- Dr. Carolin Wagner, Member of the Bundestag, Chair of the Bavarian Regional Group of the SPD Parliamentary Group in the Bundestag, Berlin (Online)
- Susanne Hierl, Member of the German Bundestag (CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group), Berlin, Germany (Online)
- Yurii Nykytiuk, Consul General of Ukraine in Munich, Germany

11:00-13:00 **Session 1: Theoretical Questions – Harmonisation of Corporate Law**

- Chair: Prof. Dr. Stephan Wagner, M.Jur. (Oxford), M.A., Head of the Chair of Civil Law, European, German and Saxon Legal History, Faculty of Law and Economics, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany
- Prof. Dr. Tomislav Boric, Institute of Corporate Law and International Business Law, Karl-Franzen University, Graz, Austria: "Theoretical Issues of Legal Transplants in Corporate Law in the Balkan States"
- Prof. Dr. Rainer Wedde, Wiesbaden Business School, Hochschule RheinMain, Germany: "The Adoption of the Acquis Communautaire and Legal Transplants: The Influence of EU Law on Ukrainian Company Law"
- Prof. Dr. Roman Maydanyk, Professor at the Civil Procedure Department, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv; Member of Working Group for Ukrainian Civil Laws Recodification, Ukraine: "EU Compatibility and Legal Transplants of Corporate Law in Terms of Ukrainian Civil Laws Recodification"
- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Oleksandr Kovalyshyn, Associate Professor at the Law Institute, Carpathian University, Ivano-Frankivsk, Institute for East European Law, Ukraine/Germany: "Adapting Ukrainian Company Law to the EU Acquis: The Impact of Legal Transplants"

13:00-14:00 **Lunch,** Institute for East European Law, 2nd floor

14:00-16:00 **Session 2: Business Registration & Corporate Law**

- Chair: Assoc. Prof., Dr. Roksolana Khanyk-Pospolitak, Head of Civil Law Research Center, Private Law Department, National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine
- Prof. Dr. Andrii Smitiukh, Vice-Rector and Professor at the Department of Civil Law Disciplines, Odesa I. I. Mechnikov National University, Ukraine: "Extending the EU Corporate Mobility to Third Countries: Legal Transplants in the Case of Ukraine"
- JUDr. Pavla Tloušťová, Ph.D., MBA, Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law, West Bohemia University in Pilsen, Czech Republic; Attorney-at-law; Arbitrator at the Arbitration Court attached to the Economic Chamber and Agricultural Chamber of the Czech Republic: "Differences in Conducting Regulated and Non-Regulated Businesses"
- Dr. Ivan Romashchenko, LL.M. (Adv.), Marie Skłodowska-Curie YUFE4 Postdoctoral Researcher, Research and Innovation Support Service/Department of Law, University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus "Digitalisation of Corporate Law and Digitalisation of Company Formation: Ukraine in the Context of EU Law"
- Dr. Miklós Szirbik, LL.M., Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law, Department of European Public and Private Law, Ludovika National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary "Hungarian Perspective of the Free Movement of Capital with a Focus on Restrictions during the Transitional Period of the Accession"

16:00-16:15 **Short Coffee Break**

16:15-16:30

- Sofia Oganesian, Head of IC Kyiv, DAAD – German Academic Exchange Service, IC Kyiv, Ukraine: **"DAAD Cooperations between German and Ukrainian Universities"**

16:30-17:00 **Presentation of the Global Coalition of Ukrainian Studies as Part of 'Ukrainian Week in Germany', Ukraine (Online)**

- Prof. Dr. Olha Oseredchuk, Head of the Project Office, Global Coalition of Ukrainian Studies; Professor at Lviv Polytechnic National University, Ukraine
- Olha Budnyk, Adviser–Commissioner of the President of Ukraine on the Fund of the President of Ukraine for the Support of Education, Science and Sports, Ukraine
- Alim Aliev, Deputy Director of the Ukrainian Institute, Ukraine

17:15-18:45 **Guided tour through Regensburg's old town, Meeting point Landshuter Str. 4**

19:00 **Welcome Reception,** Institute for East European Law, 2nd floor

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10:00-10:15 **Official opening of the 2nd day and welcoming remarks**

- Prof. Dr. Oesterle-El Nabbout, Vice-President of the University of Regensburg, Germany

10:15-12:15 **Session 3: Corporate Structures & Shareholder Rights**

- Chair: Prof. Dr. Rainer Wedde, Wiesbaden Business School, Hochschule RheinMain, Germany
- Prof. Dr. hab. Anna Moszynska, Head of the Department of Commercial and Maritime Law, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń, Poland: "Experience with the New Corporate Forms in Poland"
- Dr. Philipp Denisov, Lawyer, Munich, Germany: "Corporate Governance Systems: One-Tier and Two-Tier Board"
- Dr. Ivan Romashchenko, LL.M. (Adv.), Marie Skłodowska-Curie YUFE4 Postdoctoral Researcher, Research and Innovation Support Service/Department of Law, University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus: "Minority Shareholder Rights Protection: Ukraine in the Context of EU Law"
- Mykola Stetsenko, Head of Corporate/M&A Practice at AVELLUM, President of the Ukrainian Bar Association, Ukraine: "Shareholder Agreements in Ukrainian Corporate Law: Legal Transplant and Market Practice after the Corporate Law Reform"

12:15-12:30 **Group Photo Opportunity**

12:30-13:30 **Lunch,** Institute for East European Law, 2nd floor

13:30-15:30 **Session 4: Corporate Governance & Corporate Law**

- Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Oleksandr Kovalyshyn, Associate Professor at the Law Institute, Carpathian University, Ivano-Frankivsk, Institute for East European Law, Ukraine/Germany
- Axel Bormann, Lawyer, Senior Research Fellow for Romanian and Moldovan Law, Institute for East European Law at the University of Regensburg, Germany: "Corporate Governance Structures in Romania"
- Prof. Dr. Olha Zozuliak, Leading Research Fellow at the Institute of Private Law and Entrepreneurship, National Academy of Legal Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine: "Gender Equality in Corporate Governance in Ukraine: Implementation of the Experience of European Union Countries"
- Assoc. Prof. mag. Dr. Nataša Samec Berghaus, Department of Company Law, Faculty of Law, University of Maribor, Slovenia: "Harmonisation of Takeover Law and Corporate Governance in Slovenia" (Online)
- Dr. Volodymyr Kochyn, Academic Consultant of Judge of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Private Law and Entrepreneurship, National Academy of Legal Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine: "Public (State and Local Governance) Corporations – Organs, Management and Workers' Participation"

15:30-16:00 **Coffee Break**

16:00-18:00 **Session 5: Corporate Compliance**

- Chair: Dr. Ivan Romashchenko, LL.M. (Adv.), Marie Skłodowska-Curie YUFE4 Postdoctoral Researcher, Research and Innovation Support Service/Department of Law, University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus
- Prof. Dr. Valeriia Poiedynok, Professor at the Business Law Department, Head of Centre for European Studies, Taras Shevchenko National University, Kyiv, Ukraine: "Sustainability in Corporate Governance"
- Dr. Daniel Zigo, Ph.D., LL.M., Assistant Professor at the Institute of Clinical Legal Education at the Faculty of Law, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia: "Corporate Transparency after Formal Compliance: Lessons for Ukraine"
- JUDr. Monika Feigerlova, Ph.D., LL.M., Scientific Researcher and Director of the Department of Law and Global Responsibility at the Institute of State and Law of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic: "Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence"
- Dr. László Szegedi, Associate Professor at the Department of European Public and Private Law, Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, Ludovika National University of Public Service, Researcher at Mádl Ferenc Institute of Comparative Law, Budapest, Hungary: "Corporate Audit in Hungary"

19:00 **Dinner Together at a Restaurant in Regensburg**

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10:00-12:00 **Session 6: Securities & Corporate Law**

- Chair: Jan Sommerfeld, Lawyer, Senior Research Fellow for Czech and Slovak Law, Institute for East European Law at the University of Regensburg/Prague, Germany
- Assoc. Prof., Dr. Roksolana Khanyk-Pospolitak, Head of Civil Law Research Center, Private Law Department, National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine / Assoc. Prof., Dr. Volodymyr Pospolitak, Head of the Humanitarian Development Department MIM-Kyiv, Private Law Department, National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine: "Reforming Ukrainian Legislation on Collective Investment Institutions"
- Prof. Dr. hab. Marcin Glicz, Institute of Law and Administration, Pomeranian University in Słupsk, Poland: "Insider Trading Law – from a Legal Transplant to Convergent Market Regime"
- Zarina Khalimon, Senior Legal Counsel (M&A) at the Investment Advisory Firm EastOne Group, lecturer at the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine: "Representations & Warranties as a Common Law Legal Transplant shaping Contractual Assurances in Ukrainian Corporate Law"
- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Šime Jozipović, LL.M. (Harvard), Department of Management, Faculty of Economics, Business, and Tourism, University of Split, Croatia: "Structuring Venture Capital Investment Funds in Croatia: A Legal Transplant Model for EU Candidates"

12:00-13:30 **Lunch,** Institute for East European Law, 2nd floor

13:30-15:30 **Session 7: Investment & Shareholder Arbitration**

- Chair: Axel Bormann, Lawyer, Senior Research Fellow for Romanian and Moldovan Law, Institute for East European Law at the University of Regensburg, Germany
- Andrei Bivol, LL.M., Lawyer, Arbitrator, Chișinău, Moldova: "Shareholder Disputes in Moldova and the Impact of EU Law and Other International Standards"
- Prof. Dr. Volodymyr Nahnybida, Head of the Department of Private Law Eurointegration Methodology, Academician F. H. Burchak Scientific Research Institute of Private Law and Entrepreneurship of the National Academy of Legal Sciences of Ukraine; Vice President, International Commercial Arbitration Court at the Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICAC), Kyiv, Ukraine: "Digitalisation of Investment Dispute Resolution: Opportunities and Limits in the Context of the Complex Nature of Investor-State Arbitration"
- JUDr. Michael Zvára, Ph.D., LL.M., Lawyer, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic: "Enforcement against Company Assets in Shareholder and Investment Disputes: Limits of Separate Legal Personality and Creditor Protection"

15:30-16:00 **Concluding Discussion**

- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Oleksandr Kovalyshyn, Associate Professor at the Law Institute, Carpathian University, Ivano-Frankivsk, Institute for East European Law, Ukraine/Germany
- Prof. Dr. hab. Anna Moszynska, Head of the Department of Commercial and Maritime Law, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń, Poland

20:00 **Final Get-Together at a Restaurant in Regensburg**

Sunday, 18 October 2026

- Departure of the Participants