

# **ANNUAL REPORT**







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#### A. Organization & Management

#### Introduction

Based on the Ordinance of the Minister of Education and Sports No. 116, dated 13.03.2017 "On the opening of the main unit and the institutional re-organization of EPOKA University", starting from the 2017-2018 academic year, the Department of Law has been established as part of the Faculty of Law and Social Sciences. It started its academic activities during the 2018-2019 academic year by building upon the solid academic tradition of EPOKA University.

The mission of the Department of Law, through the integrated second cycle program in Law is to prepare specialists in the field of law, future qualified leaders to contribute in the advancement of justice and the welfare of society; capable to engage in position in the judiciary, juridical bodies, prosecution, advocacy, notaries, bailiff, arbitration, central and local state administration, various institutions of state authorities, as well as in private sector.

Our integrated second cycle study program is the only bilingual Law program in the country with English and Albanian as languages of instruction, and it has a strong emphasis on International and EU Law. The curriculum of the program has an inter-disciplinary approach with courses offered in collaboration with the other Departments from the Faculty of Law and Social Sciences as well as from the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences.

Our students will have the opportunity to be participate in numerous mobility programs in the framework of Erasmus+ program as well as other bilateral agreements. They will also have the chance to experience the rich campus life at EPOKA and benefit from the internship programs.

The Department is committed to be an active unit which aims to resolve legal, social, economic, domestic and international political problems that are of a particular interest to society.



#### Study programs offered by the Department

The Department of Law offers only one study program, namely the integrated second cycle study program in Law.

Pursuant to the Ordinance of the Minister of the Education, Sports and Youth No. 412, dated 18.09.2017, the integrated second cycle study program in Law to be offered by the Department of Law under the Faculty of Law and Social Sciences of EPOKA University has been licensed.

The Integrated second cycle study program in Law is a full-time study program, with a duration of 5 (five) academic years with 300 ECTS, and it is a bilingual program with Albanian and English as languages of instruction.

The study program enrolled its first cohort during the 2018-2019 academic year.

The integrated second cycle study program in Law offers to students the opportunity to gain analytical capacities and the basic concepts of law, legal terminology, legal theories and necessary procedures to deal with the theoretical and practical problems in the field of law.

The integrated second cycle study program in Law offered by our department is in full compliance with the requirements of the Albanian Higher Education Law and after the completion of this 5-year program, students are conferred a Master of Science degree.

Students who graduate from the integrated second cycle study program in Law can become judges, prosecutors, lawyers, notaries, state lawyers, private or state bailiffs, as well as lawyers in the central and local state administration, after they have completed the state exam in law.



#### B. Resources

#### **Department Staff**

Full time Academic Staff



Dr. Niuton Mulleti **Acting Head of the Department** 

Niuton Mulleti was born in Shkodër, Albania, in 1981. With a Bachelor and Master's degree in International Relations awarded respectively by Gazi University in Ankara, Turkey, and Central European University in Budapest, Hungary, from 2004 to 2008, he worked at the (Central) Bank of Albania, firstly as a Specialist and then as Head of Division covering issues related to Bank of Albania's foreign relations as well as European Integration, with a particular focus on the approximation of Bank of Albania's legislation and procedures with the acquis communautaire.

Since November 2008, Mr. Mulleti has been working at EPOKA University initially as Head of the Rector's Cabinet and since 2017, as Head of the Institutional and Legal Affairs Office and Acting Head of the Department of Law. Mr. Mulleti is also a Lecturer at the Department of Political Science and International Relations of EPOKA University. In 2016 he completed his PhD degree in International Relations and Diplomacy at the HEIP-Centre d'Etudes Diplomatiques et Strategiques (CEDS) in Paris, France. His research interest areas are Theories of International Relations, EU Foreign and Defence Policy and EU Law.



Dr. Gelanda Shkurtaj **Lecturer** 



Gelanda Shkurtaj is an academic lawyer and public notary, living in Tirana (Albania). She completed the first full studies (MSc) at the University of Tirana at the Faculty of Natural Sciences in "Biology". Starting from 1994, she divided her life between Tirana and Italy, where she continued her studies by completing the second full studies (MSc) at the University of Genoa, graduating in Law. She worked as Legal Advisor and Expert of the General Directorate of Anti-Mafia at the General Prosecutor's Office of Genoa. She completed her postgraduate studies at LLM in "International Tax Law" in Genoa and become member at Genoa's Bar Association, practitioner' lawyer. During the years 2011-2014 she worked as a consultant of EU funds for Archidata (Milan) and Senior Project Manager for Albania at the Managing Authority Region Abruzzo, in the program "IPA Cross Border". Since her returning to Albania, she has worked at "Iustiniani" and "University of New York in Tirana", where she held the position of adjunct lecturer in "Taxation Law". She is member of Tirana Bar Association and member of Tirana Chamber of Notary. She received the "Phylosophical degree" in "Legal Anthropology" at the Academy of Albanological Studies. Since academic year 2016-2017, for two years as part-time, and after as a full-time, she keeps the position of Lecturer at "Epoka" University, Department of Law. She is the scientific correspondent for Albania of the "International Tax Law Review" Journal published by the University "La Sapienza" Rome. She also continues to be called as an External Lecturer at this University, at the Faculty of Political Science where she gives lectures at the Master level regarding "Fiscalism in the Balkans and Albania". She has a consolidated expertise in comparative legal systems gained from continuing experiences with Temple University (Philadelphia) and Worcester College in Oxford (UK). She is a board member of the "Wasatia Graduate School for Peace and Conflict Resolution" in Flensburg, Germany. She is the author of many scientific articles published in international journals as well as of many articles in the daily "Panorama" newspaper in Albania.



Dr. Alba Gërdeci

#### Lecturer

Dr. Alba Gërdeci has been working at EPOKA University, in Tirana, Albania, as of 12 years, holding various administrative positions. As of 2013, she has directed the International Relations Office, negotiating, drafting, and ensuring implementation of international agreements with partner institutions in different parts of the world, particularly those located in Europe, US and Canada. As of 2017, she has been assigned at the same time as the Head of Rector's Cabinet, responsible for contributing to the proper conduct of both internal and external communication, as well as ensuring the compliance of all acts, documents, and operations of the University with the national legislation on higher education as well as with the legal acts of the University.

Dr. Alba Gërdeci received her Ph.D. in International Relations from the University of Tirana in 2019. She has a Master of Second Level in Business Administration from EPOKA University and an Integrated Diploma in Law from the Faculty of Law, University of Tirana. As of 2010, she has been teaching law courses at the undergraduate level delivered to non-lawyer audiences such as: Introduction to Law, Business Law, International Law and Constitutional Law. The language of



instruction of these courses was English. During the 2020-2021 academic year, she was responsible to deliver the Public International Law course to the students of Law and Political Sciences and International Relations Departments of EPOKA University. She is a member of International Law Association Albanian Branch.

Her research areas include human rights, international law, humanitarian intervention, the responsibility to protect and the United Nations system.



Dr. Heliona Miço **Lecturer** 

Dr. Heliona Mico joined the department of Law as full-time academic staff in March 2020, after working previously as a part time lecturer. She is a lecturer of in the field of Public Law, at EPOKA University, and a researcher in the law and the right to education, human rights, rule of law, educational management, child's rights and social inclusion in education.

She completed her master's degree in 2003 in the University of Tirana and later two specializations in Civil Law and Public Administration from the same university in 2006 and 2007 respectively. She completed her PhD at the Institute of European Studies, in University of Tirana in 2019. Her Doctoral thesis was focused on "An overview of the right to education in Albania. The performance of this right in accordance to European legislation."

Since 2004 she has been engaged in the field of the right to education and education legislation. During 2004-2009 she was engaged in the Legal Department of the Ministry of Education and from 2014 to 2020 she was engaged at the Center of Educational Services in the position of Director of State Exams for Regulated Professions.

From 2017, she is involved as a researcher in "Introducing modules on law and rights in programmes of teacher training and educational sciences: A contribution to building rights-based education systems in countries in transition" EduLAW project: Project Type: Erasmus+ Mundus Curriculum Development Start date: 15-10-2016 End date: 15-10-2019 Coordinator: Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)

She has published a considerable number of articles both nationally and internationally on the right to education, analysis of issues in the field of education and human rights, child's rights and social inclusion.





Dr. Bojana Hajdini

#### Lecturer

Bojana Hajdini holds a LLM and PhD in Law from Faculty of Law, University of Tirana. Dr. Hajdini has a wide range of academic and professional experiences. She is a member of the Department of Law at EPOKA University and has been teaching at Faculty of Law and other Institution of Higher Education in Albania. Besides academic engagement, Bojana was worked as Head of the Legal Opponent Office at the Ministry of Justice (2004-2008); advisor on human rights issues near Prime Minister's Office (2010-2013) and as State Advocate representing Albanian State before High Court and Constitutional Court (2018-2020). Bojana has published in various national and international journals and her research interest relates to Public and Criminal Law.



Dr. Desara Dushi

#### Lecturer

Dr. Desara Dushi holds a Double PhD Degree in Law, Science and Technology from the University of Bologna and the University of Luxembourg as an Erasmus+ Joint PhD Fellowship holder. She also holds a M.Sc. in Criminal Law and an M.A. in Human Rights and Democracy, and is an Alumna of the Summer Doctoral Program from the Oxford Internet Institute as well as an Alumna of the Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education. Prior to joining the Department of Law at EPOKA University, she served as advisor to the Ministry of Justice of Albania as part of the LEAD Albania Fellowship Programme and as researcher at CIRSFID, University of Bologna. Desara also serves as Executive Committee Member of the South East Europe Dialogue on Internet Governance (SEEDIG), Her specialization is focused in criminal justice, ICT law, cybercrime, human rights, justice reform, online child protection, and Internet Governance.





MSc. Eglantina Farruku **Assistant Lecturer** 

Eglantina Farruku graduated in Law from Luarasi University (2009), received the M.Sc degree in Political Science & International Relations from EPOKA University (2012), and her Ph.D. from EPOKA University (2020). She is presently the lecturer of Law at the Department of Law of EPOKA University. Her research area is focused on Political Science, Law related issues: Human Security and Child Security related matters and concerns. She has participated in many international conferences and published various international articles. She is a Member of Bar Association since 2011.

Full time Academic Staff from other departments of EPOKA University



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Salih Özcan
INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE



Dr. Avdi Smajljaj INSTITUTIONS AND POLICIES OF THE EU





MSc. Ada Cara CORE ENGLISH DEVELOPING READING AND WRITING SKILLS



MSc. Arjona Çela INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMICS I



MSc. Dea Haxhiu (Bashkurti)
INTRODUCTION TO LAW
LEGAL ENGLISH
E DREJTA E BIZNESIT



MSc. Erjon Saliasi
ACADEMIC RESEARCH AND WRITING

Part time Academic Staff



Prof. Dr. Eralda Çani (Met'hasani) **ADMINISTRATIVE JUSTICE** 



Prof. Dr. Mariana Semini (Tutulani) LAW OF OBLIGATIONS



Dr. Hasan Bello **HISTORY OF POLITICAL-LEGAL INSTITUTIONS** 



Dr. Ada Güven (Hajnaj)
FAMILY LAW
CIVIL PROCEDURE LAW
Assistant Lecturer - LAW OF OBLIGATIONS



MSc. Albana Karapanço INSOLVENCY LAW





MSc. Najada Kiliç (Skilja) **FINANCIAL LAW** 



MSc. Bledar Uku LABOR AND SOCIAL SECURITY LAW

Administrative Staff



Alma Pupli **Department Coordinator** 

#### Finance

Income and Expenditure Summary

NA

#### IT Resources, Physical Infrastructure and Library Resources

The Department of Law is entitled to use all the resources and infrastructure of EPOKA University. Through the year, students and lecturers have used different classes in both E and A- Buildings. Students also have access to the rich Library collection. They are also able to use the JSTOR database in the premises of the university in order to receive more information regarding the scientific research they will carry out during their courses.





C. The Curriculum

## FACULTY OF LAW AND SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF LAW

**Integrated Second Cycle study program in Law** 

First Y	EAR														
First Se	emester														
COURS	SES	Course		Weekly	Course 1	Distribu	ıtion	Epoka	Semes	stral Lect	ture and	d study	ing hour	·s	ECTS
Code	Course Name	Type	Compulsory /Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	Site W.	Other	Total	
LAW 101	E drejtë publike/ Public Law	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 103	Histori e institucioneve politiko- juridike/ History of Political-Legal Institutions	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 109	E drejtë romake/ Roman Law	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
PIR 111	Hyrje në shkencat politike/ Introduction to Political Science	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
ECO 101	Hyrje në ekonomi I/ Introduction to Economics I	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
*ENG 107 *ENG 109	Core English Developing Reading and Writing Skills	D	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
Semestr	ral Total			19	0	0	19	19	300	0	0	450	0	750	30

<sup>\*</sup> According to English language proficiency level.



Second	Semester														
COURS	SES	Course		Weekly	Course I	Distribu	ıtion	Epoka	Semes	tral Cou	rse and	studyi	ng hours	S	ECTS
Code	Course Name	Course Type	Compulsory /Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	Site W.	Other	Total	
LAW 102	E drejtë civile I/ Civil Law I	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 104	E drejtë penale I/ Criminal Law I	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 106	Filozofi e së drejtës/ Philosophy of Law	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 108	Bazat dhe metodat e arsyetimit dhe shkrimit ligjor/ Fundamentals and Methods of Legal Reasoning and Writing	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 110	Anglishte ligjore/ Legal English	D	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 116	E drejtë kushtetuese/ Constitutional Law	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
Semestr	ral Total			20	0	0	20	20	300	0	0	450	0	750	30

Third S	Semester														
COURS	SES	Course		Weekly	Course l	Distribu	ıtion	Epoka	Semes	stral Lect	ure and	d study	ing hour	.'s	ECTS
Code	Course Name	Type	Compulsory /Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	Site W.	Other	Total	
LAW 205	E drejtë civile II/Civil Law II	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 207	E drejtë e detyrimeve I/ Law of Obligations I	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 209	E drejtë administrative I/ Administrative Law I	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5



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LAW 211	E drejtë penale II/ Criminal Law II	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 213	E drejtë e punës dhe e sigurimeve shoqërore/ Labour and Social Security Law		Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW 215	Kërkim dhe shkrim akademik/ Academic Research and Writing	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
Semestr	W Kërkim dhe shkrim akademik/ A				0	0	23	23	300	0	0	450	0	750	30

#### **Fourth Semester**

COURS	SES	Course		Weekly	Course I	Distribu	ıtion	Epoka	Semes	tral Cou	rse and	studyi	ng hours	S	ECTS
		Type	Compulsory									Site			
Code	Course Name	Type	/Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	W.	Other	Total	
LAW	Teknikë legjislative/ Legislative	٨													
202	Technique	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW	Kriminalogji-Penologji/	В													
204	Criminology-Penology	D	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW		В													
206	E drejtë familjare/Family Law	D	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW	E drejtë e detyrimeve II/ Law of	В													
208	Obligations II	D	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW	E drejtë administrative II/	В													
210	Administrative Law II	D	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW		В													
212	Të drejtat e njeriut/ Human Rights	D	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
Semestr	al Total	·		20	0	0	20	20	300	0	0	450	0	750	30

#### Third YEAR

Fifth Semester					
COURSES		Weekly Course Distribution	Epoka	Semestral Lecture and studying hours	ECTS



		Course	Compulsory					1				Site			1
Code	Course Name	Type	/Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	W.	Other	Total	
LAW	E drejtë proceduriale civile/ Civil														
301	Procedure Law	В	Compulsory	5	0	0	5	5	60	0	0	65	0	125	5
LAW	E drejtë proceduriale penale/														
303	Criminal Procedure Law	В	Compulsory	5	0	0	5	5	60	0	0	65	0	125	5
LAW															
305	Etikë ligjore / Legal Ethics	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	45	0	0	80	0	125	5
LAW	E drejta tregtare / Commercial Law														
307		В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW	Sociologji e ligjit/ Sociology of														
309	Law	A	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	45	0	0	80	0	125	5
LAW	Kontratat administrative/														
311	Administrative Contracts	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
Semestr	ral Total	-	22	0	0	22	22	310	0	0	440	0	750	30	

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COURS	SES	Course		Weekly	Course I	Distribu	tion	Epoka	Semes	tral Cou	rse and	studyi	ng hours	S	ECTS
			Compulsory									Site			
Code	Course Name	Type	/Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	W.	Other	Total	
LAW															
302	E drejtë financiare/ Financial Law	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW	E drejtë ndërkombëtare publike/														
304	Public International Law	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW	Drejtësi administrative/														
306	Administrative Justice	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW	Institucionet dhe politikat e BE-së/														
308	Institutions and Policies of the EU	В	Compulsory	3			3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
LAW															
310	E drejtë e tokës/ Land Law	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5



LAW	E drejtë e falimentimit/ Insolvency														
312	Law	В	Compulsory	3	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	75	0	125	5
Semest	ral Total			18	0	0	18	18	300	0	0	450	0	750	30
Fourth	YEAR														
Sevent	h Semester														
COUR	SES	Carres		Weekly	Course l	Distribu	ıtion	Epoka	Semes	tral Lect	ure and	l study	ing hou	'S	ECTS
		Course	Compulsory									Site			
Code	Course Name	Type	/Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	W.	Other	Total	
LAW	E drejtë e BE-së / EU Law														
401		В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë ndërkombëtare e biznesit/														
403	International Business Law	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë ndërkombëtare private/														
405	Private International Law	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
	Alternativat e zgjidhjes së														
	konflikteve dhe arbitrazh/	В													
LAW	Alternatives of Conflict									_	_		_		
407	Resolution and Arbitration		Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
	Pronësi intelektuale														
LAW	ndërkombëtare/ International	_										0.0		1.50	
409	Intellectual Property	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
Semest	ral Total			20	0	0	20	20	300	0	0	450	0	750	30
Eighth	Semester														
COUR	SES	Course		Weekly	Course 1	Distribu	ıtion	Epoka	Semes	tral Cou	rse and	study	ing hour	s	ECTS
			Compulsory									Site			
Code	Course Name	Type	/Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	W.	Other	Total	



	E drejtë ndërkombëtare e														
LAW	konkurrencës/ International	_												4 = 0	
402	Competition Law	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë tregtare e BE-së/ EU														
404	Commercial Law	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë kontraktore evropiane/														
408	European Contract Law	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Klinikë ligjore/ Legal Clinic														
410		D	Compulsory	0	4	0	4	4	0	60	0	90	0	150	6
XXX	Me zgjedhje/ Elective	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
Semestr	ral Total			16	4	0	20	20	240	60	0	450	0	750	30
Elective	e Courses														
LAW	E drejtë kushtetuese e BE-së/ EU														
412	Constitutional Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Barazia gjinore dhe ligji/ Gender														
414	Equality and Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Ligji dhe teknologjia/ Law and														
416	Technology	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	I !: !! II - : - 1!4!! / I : I D-1!4!														
418	Ligji dhe politika/ Law and Politics	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Shteti i së drejtës/ Rule of Law														
420		C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Ligji, politika dhe media/ Law,														
422	Politics and Media	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë e mjedisit/ Environmental														
424	Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë e konsumatorit/ Consumer														
426	Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6



LAW	E drejtë ndërkombëtare e të drejtave të njeriut/ International															J
428	Human Rights Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6	İ

Fifth Y	Fifth YEAR														
Ninth Semester															
COURS	COURSES			Weekly	Course I	Distribu	ıtion	Epoka	Semes	tral Lect	ure and	l study	ing hour	'S	ECTS
Code	Course Name	Course Type	Compulsory /Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	Site W.	Other	Total	
LAW 501	E drejtë penale ndërkombëtare/ International Criminal Law	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW 503	E drejtë ndërkombëtare e mjedisit/ International Environmental Law	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW 505	Çështje bashkëkohore të së drejtës/ Contemporary Issues in Law	В	Compulsory	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
XXX	Me zgjedhje/ Elective	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
XXX	Me zgjedhje/ Elective	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
Semestral Total					0	0	20	20	300	0	0	450	0	750	30

Elective	Elective Courses														
LAW	E drejtë e traktateve/ Law of														
507	Treaties	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Të drejtat evropiane të njeriut/														
509	European Human Rights	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Psikologji juridike/ Legal														
511	Psychology	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Mjekësi ligjore/ Forensics														
513	Mjekesi ligjole/ Folelisics	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë kushtetuese e krahasuar/														
515	Comparative Constitutional Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6



LAW	Mbrojtja sociale/ Social Protection														
517		C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë e prokurimit publik/														
519	Public Procurement Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë bankare/Banking Law														
521	E diejte bankare/Banking Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë administrative evropiane/														
525	European Administrative Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW															
527	E drejtë kibernetike/ Cyber Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë evropiane e konkurrencës/														
529	European Competition Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6

Tenth Semester															
COURSES		Course		Weekly	Course I	Distribu	tion	Epoka	Semes	S	ECTS				
Code	Course Name	Type	Compulsory /Elective	Theory	Pract.	Lab.	Total	Credits	Lect.	Pract.	Lab.	Site W.	Other	Total	
LAW 502	Praktikë mësimore/ Internship	D	Compulsory	0	4	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW 504	Teza/ Thesis	E	Compulsory	0	0	0	0	0	110	0	0	190	0	300	12
XXX	Me zgjedhje/Elective	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
XXX	Me zgjedhje/Elective	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
Semestr	ral Total			8	4	0	12	12	290	0	0	460	0	750	30
Elective	e Courses														
LAW	E drejtë tatimore-doganore/ Tax														
506	and Customs Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW 508	Pronësi intelektuale/ Intellectual Property	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6



LAW	E drejtë e sigurimeve/ Insurance					1						1	1		
510	Law	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë e detit/ Law of Sea														
512		С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë penale evropiane/														
514	European Criminal Law	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejta dhe politikat Sociale / Law														
516	and Social Policies	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë ndërkombëtare dhe e BE-														
518	së mbi emigrimin/ International														
310	and EU Immigration Law	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
	E drejta për edukim dhe														
LAW	legjislacioni arsimor/ The Right to														
520	Education and Education														
	Legislation	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	Kontabilitet dhe auditim/										_		_		
522	Accounting and Audit	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë e krahasuar e sistemeve														
524	ligjore/ Comparative Legal	~												4.50	
	Systems Law	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW	E drejtë penale e krahasuar/	_							- 0						
526	Comparative Criminal Law	С	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6
LAW 528	Kriminalistikë/ Criminalistics	C	Elective	4	0	0	4	4	60	0	0	90	0	150	6



#### D. Teaching, Learning, Assessment & Research

#### Students' List of Theses

NA

#### List of Publications

#### Dr. Bojana Hajdini:

- 1. Skara, G., Hajdini, B. (2021). Enforcement of the European Union law before the Albanian Constitutional Court and the High Court. Journal of Liberty and International Affairs, 7(3), 229-249. https://doi.org/10.47305/JLIA2137229s
- 2. Hajdini, B., Skara, G. (2021) "The Right to Freedom of the Peaceful Assembly during Covid 19 in the light of Albanian Constitutional Court" Jean Monnet Sar Online Symposium: Human rights during pandemic <a href="https://jean-monnet-saar.eu/">https://jean-monnet-saar.eu/</a>

#### Dr. Heliona Miço:

- 1. Zaçellari, M. Miço, H. (2021). "Parents and Teachers' Involvement in Designing Educational Programmes within the Albanian Curricula of Pre-university Education: Their Perceptions in this Context" Eastern European Journal of Transnational Relations 2020 Vol. 4 No. 1, p. 115-135, Poland, e-ISSN: 2544-9737, DOI: 10.15290/eejtr
- 2. Miço, H. (2020). "Addressing the right to education in Albania before and after the communist regime" p. 91-117, National Library, Tirana Albania, ISBN: ISBN 978-9928-135-36-0 Proceeding book of the 7th International Conference on European Studies: "The power and politics of transitional justice" organized in Tirana, by EPOKA University Albania, Konrad Adenauer Institute Albania and Europa-University Flensburg Germany
- 3. Miço, H, Kodra, K. (2021). "Evaluation of happiness in Albanian education legislation and policies". Happiness and Contemporary Society. p. 194-199, Ukraine, ISBN 978-966-919-697-2, https://doi.org/10.31108/7.2021
- 4. Zacellari, M, Miço, H. (2021). Participation in the V International scientific and practical forum "Actual problems of special and inclusive education for children and youth", organized by Taganrog Institute named after A.P. Chekhov (branch) FSBEI VO; "RGEU (RINH)", Russia, with the paper "Online learning for students with disabilities in pre-university schools in Albania"
- 5. Miço, H. (2020). "The (lack of) integrity in the right to education in Albania" Proceedings of the 3rd International Conference on Advanced Research in Teaching and Education" Dublin, Republic of Ireland. Diamond Scientific Publishing. ISBN: 978-609-485-076-9 pub DOI: https://www.doi.org/10.33422/3rd.icate.2020.11.130
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- 6. Miço, H. (2020). Participation in the 3rd International Conference on Advanced Research in Teaching and Education" organized by Globalks Organization in Dublin, Republic of Ireland with the paper "The (lack of) integrity in the right to education in Albania"
- 7. Miço, H. Zaçellari, M. (2020). "Online learning as a means toward achieving an adaptable right to education in Albania". Knowledge-International Journal, 2020, Vol 42/2, p 293-298. ISSN online 2545-4439 https://ikm.mk/ojs/index.php/KIJ/article/view/4672/4459



8. Miço, H. Zaçellari, M. (2020). Participation in the International Conference organized by Institute of Knowledge Management, Skopje, North Macedonia in Kavalla, Greece, "The power of knowledge", with the paper "Online learning as a means toward achieving an adaptable right to education in Albania"

#### Dr. Niuton Mulleti:

1. Islam Jusufi, Ralf K. Wüstenberg, Alban Nako, Niuton Mulleti, Ines Stasa, Salih Özcan, Zeina Barakat, and Gelanda Shkurtaj, "An Analysis of Public Discourse on Albania's Transitional Justice System," in Discourse and Confict: Analysing Text and Talk of Confict, Hate and Peacebuilding, ed. Innocent Chiluwa (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2021), 413-438.

#### Dr. Gelanda Shkurtaj:

Publications in foreign journals

- 1. Publication at the proceedings book of the Paper "The communist prisons and camps as evidence of Dictatorial System. The opening' files process as a preamble to the Transitional Justice" https://ices.epoka.edu.al/2020/category-proceedings-2765.html?t=proceedings&c=2765&p=2765
- 2. Publication of a book chapter (34 pages) on the Journal of the "La SapienzaAPIENZA" Rome University: "INTERNATIONAL TAX LAW REVIEW" with the tittle" A General Overview on the Albanian Tax System. A comparative Study", which is part of the highest level of the Journals (fascia A), also "SENSE ranking", according to the Italian Ministry of Education. http://www.rdti.it/
- 3. Islam Jusufi, Ralf K. Wüstenberg, Alban Nako, Niuton Mulleti, Ines Stasa, Salih Özcan, Zeina Barakat, and Gelanda Shkurtaj, "An Analysis of Public Discourse on Albania's Transitional Justice System," in Discourse and Confict: Analysing Text and Talk of Confict, Hate and Peacebuilding, ed. Innocent Chiluwa (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2021), 413-438.
- 4. "The communist prisons and camps as evidence of Dictatorial System. The opening' files process as a preamble to the Transitional Justice". The 7th International Conference on European Studies (ICES '20) "The Power and Politics of Transitional Justice", Tirana, Albania, November 18-19, 2020/ Published in the Conference' book of proceedings.

Publications in daily newspaper "Panorama" Albania:

1.Kush i rivrau të persekutuarit

http://www.panorama.com.al/kush-i-rivrau-te-persekutuarit/

2.Kur nuk ka shtet ka Kanun

http://www.panorama.com.al/kur-nuk-ka-shtet-ka-kanun/

3. «Mein Kampf » dhe «Vitet e Vegjëlisë«

http://www.panorama.com.al/mein-kampf-dhe-vitet-e-vegjelise/

4. «Katër rebuse dhe një i padëshiruar «

http://www.panorama.com.al/kater-rebuse-dhe-nje-i-padeshiruar/

5.« Idealistët. Kur Partia Demokratike nuk kishte lindur ende »

http://www.panorama.com.al/idealistet-kur-partia-demokratike-nuk-kishte-lindur-ende/

#### MSc. Eglantina Farruku:

1. Eglantina Farruku, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Salih Özcan "Evaluation of Child Trafficking in Albania" International Journal of Anglisticum, Vol. 9, No. 2 (2020)

http://anglisticum.org.mk/index.php/IJLLIS/article/view/2053

2. Eglantina Farruku, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Salih Özcan "Factors contributing to child trafficking in Albania: Push Factors" Journal of the Institute for Euroregional Studies "Jean Monnet" European Centre of Excellence (2020)

https://www.ceeol.com/search/article-detail?id=940090



#### Participation of Academic Staff in Academic Events

#### Dr. Alba Gërdeci:

1. Migration and Human Rights – Summer Course delivered by John Cabot University and United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Institute – July 2020.

#### Dr. Bojana Hajdini:

- 1. 7-th International Conference on Humanities and Law. "Perspectives On Covid-19: Challenges, Solutions, and Opportunities" (May 2021) Kolegji Universitar Beder;
- http://ichl.beder.edu.al/
- 2. Happiness and Contemporary Society.

March 20-21, 2021, Lviv (Ukraine)

- 3. Legal Expert responsible for preparing one e-module for lawyer and non-lawyer citizens, accompanied with audio-visual training on the right to work at prison
- 4. Member of Scientific Board The 7-th international conference on humanities and law "Perspectives on Covid-19: Challenges, Solutions, and Opportunities" http://ichl.beder.edu.al/beder-about-ichl/1
- 5. Member of Editorial Bord Beder Journal of Humanities (BJH) Issue:13 Spring 2021, ISSUE:14 WINTER 2021

#### Dr. Heliona Miço:

1) Certificate of completion for successful participation in the course of study on: "Child protection: Children's rights in theory and practice", organised by Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Harvard University, USA (May-September 2021)

The course is led by Jacqueline Bhabha, Research Director of the Harvard FXB Center for Health and Human Rights, and teaches the causes and consequences of child protection failures. During the course there will be considered the strategies, international laws, standards, and resources required to protect all children. The learner will be able to link legal frameworks and child-rights approaches to the work of policymakers, lawyers, health workers, educators, law enforcement, and social workers. Learners will come to understand how they can ensure the protection of children and apply child protection strategies to their own work.

- 2) Certificate of participation in the "Online Seminar on Intellectual Property" organized by the Department of Law, EPOKA University in collaboration with the General Directorate of Industrial Property in the framework of the Twinning Project AL 17 IPA FI 01 20 "Strengthening the protection and the enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights", funded by the European Union held on May 20, 2021.
- 3) Open Forum at EPOKA University with the topic "Growth of the efficiency of the state budget through the implementation of public consultation in the justice sector"
- The Open Forum for presenting the findings of the project implemented by the European Center with the support of the Open Society Foundation for Albania (OSFA) "Growth of the efficiency of the state budget through the implementation of public consultation in the justice sector" was held by the Law Department on March 26, 2021, in the premises of EPOKA University. The project aims to effectively implement the law on public consultation, with a special focus on the state budget for the justice sector (Cross-cutting Justice Strategy), as well as to improve funding for the main priorities of this sector based on the needs identified by the organizations working in this sector.
- 4) Open lecture on 4 June 2021 at University "Fan. S. Noli", Korçë with the topic: The right to education in Albania"



Dr. Heliona Miço, lecturer of public law at EPOKA University participated on June 04, 2021, at "Fan S. Noli" University of Korça, in an open lecture with the topic "The right to education in Albania; pre-university education and the approach towards European standards", organized by European Center and Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Foundation.

The open discussion was related to the historical overview of the right to education in Albania, the right to education as a constitutional right, the analyses on the regulation of the right to education during the years 1990-2012, associated with the presentation of the legal framework in force on the Pre-University and Vocational Education System, by completing the discussion with cases from the jurisprudence of the Strasbourg Court on the right to education.

#### Dr. Niuton Mulleti:

- 1. Islam Jusufi, Ralf K. Wüstenberg, Alban Nako, Niuton Mulleti, Ines Stasa, Salih Özcan, Zeina Barakat, and Gelanda Shkurtaj, "Albania's transitional justice discourse: Healing wounds from the past" presented at the 7th International Conference on European Studies (ICES '20) "The Power and Politics of Transitional Justice", Tirana, Albania, November 18-19, 2020.
- 2. Niuton Mulleti, "Property Rights and Transitional Justice: the case of Albania" presented at the 7th International Conference on European Studies (ICES '20) "The Power and Politics of Transitional Justice", Tirana, Albania, November 18-19, 2020.
- 3. Niuton Mulleti, "EU Civilian CSDP Missions and the Consolidation of the Rule of Law in the Western Balkans" presented at the webinar entitled "Promotion and Protection of the Rule of Law in the Acceding States and EU Member States" held in the framework of the Second Edition of the Jean Monnet Module titled "EU-Western Balkans Cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs" (EUWEB), Salerno, Italy, May 13, 2021.

#### Dr. Gelanda Shkurtaj:

- 1. Islam Jusufi, Ralf K. Wüstenberg, Alban Nako, Niuton Mulleti, Ines Stasa, Salih Özcan, Zeina Barakat, and Gelanda Shkurtaj, "Albania's transitional justice discourse: Healing wounds from the past" presented at the 7th International Conference on European Studies (ICES '20) "The Power and Politics of Transitional Justice", Tirana, Albania, November 18-19, 2020.
- 2. Gelanda Shkurtaj, "The communist prisons and camps as evidence of Dictatorial System. The opening' files process as a preamble to the Transitional Justice", presented at the 7th International Conference on European Studies (ICES '20) "The Power and Politics of Transitional Justice", Tirana, Albania, November 18-19, 2020.
- 3. Member of the Scientific Committee on the at the 7th International Conference on European Studies (ICES '20). "The Power and Politics of Transitional Justice", Tirana, Albania, November 18-19, 2020.
- 4. Participant as legal adviser and organizer of the third Social Business Day, organized by Epoka "YUNUS Center", May 31-st 2021.
- 5. On-line teaching activity at "La Sapienza" University Rome, Faculty of Political Sciences, II level Master on "Master on International Tax Planification". April 2021.

#### MSc. Eglantina Farruku:

1. Evaluation of Child Trafficking in Albania

Eglantina Farruku, Salih Özcan

2. Factors Contributing to Child Trafficking in Albania: Push Factors

Eglantina Farruku, Salih Özcan



#### **Projects**

#### Dr. Alba Gërdeci:

- 1. Project Member CLIL -HET Visegrad+ Project Project duration 2019 -2020
  - The project CLIL-HET aims at grouping experts/specialists to prepare the platform for networking within V4 and Western Balkan (WB) countries to support disciplinary teachers at Higher education institutions (HEIs) to set up English education environment to support incoming and outgoing mobility of HEIs in V4 and also in WB countries.
- 2. Management Committee Member (Albania) COST Action CA18228 Global Atrocity Justice Constellations Justice 360

  This action has the research objective: Through the unprecedented study of global atrocity justice constellations, JUSTICE360 will contribute highly original knowledge not only on how domestic systems have responded to international crimes, victims and perpetrators; but also how these responses have shaped and reshaped the space in which ICTs work and thus their effectiveness and potential for success.
- 3. Management Committee Member (Albania) COST Action CA17135 Constitution-making and deliberative democracy

  This action has three research objectives: 1. To gather and organize information about all deliberative democracy experiments related to constitution-like issues, research and writing about constitutional deliberative democracy, and the actors involved in both; 2. To make this information widely available and widely used; 3. To promote interaction between actors involved in this area, and also interested actors who are not yet involved.

#### Heliona Miço:

- 1. Legal expert on training on "The right to education", with interested students, lawyers, advocates of human rights, public administration officers to present and discuss the right to education as a means to empower other human rights held on University "Fan S. Noli" Korce. (June 2021)
- 2. Legal expert on European Union Project "B-competent Training Program "Developing Penitentiary Staff competence related to human rights of Foreign National in prison" implemented by the Foundation "European Centre", for organizing a module of training course for prison managers, prison staff trainers, civilian penitentiary staff and all those responsible for working with foreign nationals in prison. (March -April 2021)
- 3. Legal expert on "The drafting of the recommendations on preschool education related to the Draft National Strategy of Education 2021-2026" project, Rec, CA-001/2021, implemented by Association of Local Autonomy of Albania, supported by HELVETAS Foundation (March April 2021)
- 4. Legal expert for the purposes of the implementation of the "Overview of the Teachers for Albania portal and the Municipality as employers" project reference, no: CA-005/2020, implemented by Association of Local Autonomy of Albania, supported by HELVETAS Foundation. (September December 2020)
- 5. Legal expert for the preparation of a brochure on children's rights in the framework of the project "Passports of my rights" implemented by the Center for Development and European Integration, supported by the Konrad Adenauer Foundation. (October November 2020)
- 6. Legal experts for the project "Increasing the efficiency of the state budget through the



implementation of public consultation in the justice sector", implemented by the Foundation "European Centre" supported by Open Society Foundation for Albania.

Analysis of the budget planning of the activities foreseen in the Action Plan of the Crosscutting Justice Strategy, focusing on those activities that are financed from the state budget. Analysis on the translation of the measures foreseen in the Action Plan of the Justice Strategy in the Medium-Term Budget Programs of the Ministry of Justice and other institutions of Justice, responsible for the implementation of this strategy. (April 2020 – March 2021)

- 7. Member on Permanent Commission of Quality Assurance at EPOKA University Consultation and analysis of the activity of the institution in accordance with the quality assurance standards in higher education. (January 2019-on)
  - 8. Chairman of Administrative Board of Academy of Albanological Studies Implementation of administrative and financial procedures of Academy of Albanological Studies. Approval of the annual and medium-term budget of the institution and monitoring of their implementation; (February 2018-June 2021)

#### Niuton Mulleti:

During the 2020-2021 academic year, Dr. Niuton Mulleti has also acted as the coordinator of the activities of EPOKA University in the framework of the Jean Monnet Module titled "EU-Western Balkans Cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs" (EUWEB), managed by the University of Salerno in Italy where EPOKA University also participates as a partner institution.

#### E. Support, Resources & Representation

#### List of Students' Internships

NA

#### 1. Participation in Academic Events

#### Dr. Alba Gërdeci participates in the project "Europe Respects Human Rights"

On November 12, 2020, Dr. Alba Gërdeci, lecturer at the Department of Law of EPOKA University participated at the consultative meeting organized in the context of "Europe Respects Human Rights", a project implemented by the center "ACT for SOCIETY" in Albania.

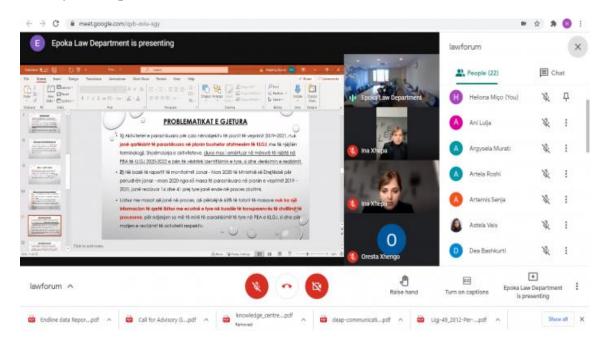
The project aims to strengthen independent institutions, increase the capacity of their employees as defenders of human rights, as well as to raise the people's awareness on their role in the accession process to the European Union.

The meeting gathered representatives of independent institutions, local institutions, local CSOs, students and citizens. In her presentation, Dr. Gërdeci emphasized the need to consider human rights as a shared responsibility and to develop the link between the legal responsibilities envisaged in law and everyday implementation of human rights. She stated that the independent institutions



have a crucial role in the implementation of the responsibilities in relation to human rights, which can be said to be fourfold: to respect, protect, fulfil, and promote. She shared some good practices around world on how countries have built the capacities of their institutions to improve implementation of human rights.

The Open Forum on presenting the findings of the project "Growth of the efficiency of the state budget through the implementation of public consultation in the justice sector" was held by the Department of Law



The Open Forum on presenting the findings of the project "Growth of the efficiency of the state budget through the implementation of public consultation in the justice sector" was held by the Department of Law on March 26, 2021, at the premises of EPOKA University. This project implemented by the European Center in Tirana with the support of the Open Society Foundation for Albania (OSFA) - aims at effectively implementing the law on public consultation, with a special focus on the state budget for the justice sector (Cross-cutting Strategy of the Justice System), as well as at improving funding for the main priorities of this area based on the needs identified by the organizations working in this sector.

The Open Forum was chaired by Dr. Niuton Mulleti, Acting Head of the Department of Law, EPOKA University. The following topics were discussed during the forum:

"Continuous budget changes due to COVID-19 and challenges faced by public institutions in obtaining information related to the Medium-Term Budget Program (MTBP) 2021-2023" by Ms. Ina Xhepa, Executive Director, European Center, Tirana

"Translation of the Action Plan of the Cross-cutting Justice Strategy in the Medium-Term Budget Programs of justice institutions" by Dr. Heliona Miço - Lecturer, Department of Law, EPOKA University.

The presentation of the project findings aims to provide information on the objectives of the Cross-Cutting Strategy of the Justice System 2017-2021, the activities foreseen in the Action Plan 2019-2021 to make these objectives applicable in justice institutions, as well as the relevant findings



related to the problems encountered in the breakdown of these activities in the medium-term budget plans of institutions related to justice reform.

The Open Forum was attended by students of the Faculty of Law and Social Sciences as well as the academic staff of this Faculty.

## **EPOKA** University students participated in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition



EPOKA University participated for the first time ever in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. Jessup is the world's largest moot court competition, with participants from roughly 700 law schools in 100 countries and jurisdictions. The Competition is a simulation of a fictional dispute between countries before the International Court of Justice, the judicial organ of the United Nations.

Our team was represented by our law students Egla Leci, Enkelejda Mëhalla, Gea Alibeaj, Megi Xheli and Reni Maçi. The team was couched by Dr. Desara Dushi. The competition was organized online during the period from 15 March until 18 April 2021. The Jessup Competition gives thousands of students each year a unique opportunity to explore the field of international law and gain a truly global perspective.

## Dr. Gelanda Shkurtaj delivered an Open Lecture to the Master Students of University "La Sapienza" in Rome, Italy

For the third consecutive year, Dr. Gelanda Shkurtaj, Lecturer at the Department of Law, Faculty of Law and Social Sciences at EPOKA University, was invited by the University "La Sapienza" - Rome (Italy), to give an open lecture on "Taxation in the East Europe, Albania and Balkans". The stakeholders were lawyers from tax attorneys at law, employees from the tax criminal investigation office, students of law and licensed accountants, who are graduating from the "Master in Tax Law, II Level", at the Faculty of Political Science of the same University, under the direction of Prof. Dr. Pietro SELICATO, as well as the attorney at law, Dr. Vincenzo CARBONE.

The lecture given by Dr. Shkurtaj on April 20, 2021, dealt with the passage of the fiscal system from communism into the liberal democracy with a particular focus on the constitutional guiding principles in the field of taxation in Albania, the content of the Tax Code in Albania (the law on



"Tax Procedures n.9920/2008"), the main taxes and procedures for their collection. The whole lecture was delivered through a comparative methodology, between Italian and Albanian tax systems, giving students the opportunity to know the Albanian tax system in concrete terms. The lesson had a very enthusiastic support and a very positive impact regarding the recognition of a relatively new system, as well as the recognition of tax practices in Albania, as a part of East Europe. There were discussions over the ownership problems of Albania, and their fiscal consequences. Also, the lesson was considered as satisfying the curiosity of participants about taxation in Albania and the possibility of conducting investments in the future. The stakeholders were thankful for this opportunity given.

## Dr. Niuton Mulleti delivered a lecture in the framework of the Second Edition of the EUWEB Module



On May 13, 2021, Dr. Niuton Mulleti delivered a lecture titled "EU Civilian CSDP Misisons and the Consolidation of the Rule of Law in the Western Balkans" as part of the webinar on the "Promotion and Protection of the Rule of Law in the Acceding States and EU Member States". This webinar was held in the framework of the Second Edition of the Jean Monnet Module titled "EU-Western Balkans Cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs" (EUWEB).

The EUWEB Jean Monnet Module is managed by the Department of Legal Sciences (School of Law) of UNISA with Assoc. Prof. Dr. Teresa Russo as a Module Leader as well as Assoc. Prof. Dr. Anna Oriolo and Dr. Gaspare Dalia acting as Members of the Teaching Staff. EPOKA University is a partner institution at the EUWEB Jean Monnet Module.

More information on the said event is available at <a href="https://www.euweb.org/promotion-and-protection-of-the-rule-of-law-in-the-accending-states-and-eu-member-states-13-may-2021/">https://www.euweb.org/promotion-and-protection-of-the-rule-of-law-in-the-accending-states-and-eu-member-states-13-may-2021/</a>

Dr. Heliona Miço participated in the International Scientific Conference titled "Children in History - Dignity and Restrictions"





Dr. Heliona Miço, lecturer of public law at EPOKA University participated on May 25, 2021, at the International Scientific Conference titled "Children in History - Dignity and Restrictions" organized on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Academic Department: History of Education (1980-2020), University of Bialystok, Poland, with the paper "Barriers to implementation of the child's rights to inclusive education: The case of Albania".

The article focuses on an analysis of the right of the child to inclusive education in the framework of Albanian policies and legislation, highlighting the legal gaps that hinder the enjoyment and full realization of this right. The implementation of the right to education has found gaps in the current reality, which in a rapidly changing world requires the adaptation of this right to different needs of children. The paper also focuses on the adequate policies and legislation to provide inclusive education especially for the disadvantaged population groups.

#### The Online Seminar on Intellectual Property was held on May 20, 2021

On May 20, 2021, the Department of Law - in cooperation with the General Directorate of Industrial Property - organized the Online Seminar on Intellectual Property in the framework of the Twinning Project AL 17 IPA FI 01 20 "Strengthening the Protection and the Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights" funded by the European Union.

The presentations were delivered by Ms. Krystallenia Kolotourou, Resident Twinning Adviser, and the other short-term experts focusing on the following topics:

- Introduction to Intellectual Property (Copyright, Trademarks, Patents, Designs);
- The importance of Intellectual Property (how to obtain protection on trademarks, patents, designs and the value of Intellectual Property);
- Enforcement of Copyright in the online environment.



The Seminar was attended by students of the Department of Law as well as the academic staff of this Department.

#### Dr. Heliona Miço gave an Open Lecture in the University of Korca



Dr. Heliona Miço, lecturer of public law at EPOKA University participated on June 04, 2021, at "Fan S. Noli" University of Korça, in an open lecture with the topic "The right to education in Albania; pre-university education and the approach towards European standards", organized by European Center and Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Foundation.

The open discussion was related to the historical overview of the right to education in Albania, the right to education as a constitutional right, the analyses on the regulation of the right to education during the years 1990-2012, associated with the presentation of the legal framework in force on the Pre-University and Vocational Education System, by completing the discussion with cases from the jurisprudence of the Strasbourg Court on the right to education.



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