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CUBA AND CHANGING VALUES IN LAW & POLICY: A HUMAN RIGHTS PERSPECTIVE



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Welcome Words VUB and UCLV

Prof. Dr. Karin Vanderkerken,

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Prof. Dr. Luis Antonio Barranco Olivera,

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Panel I: The Right to Education

09:30-10:30

Panel Chair: Prof. Roberto Reyes Barrera (Vrije Universiteit Brussel)

- **Prof. dr. Yuri Pérez Martínez** (Universidad de la Havana, Cuba), *The Impact of the US Blockade on the Development of Higher Education in Cuba.*
- **Prof. dr. Kim Van der Borgh, Jorge Freddy Milian Gomez & Jose Grabiél Luis Cordova** (Vrije Universiteit Brussel & Universidad Central 'Marta Abreu' de Las Villas, Cuba), *The Helms-Burton Act on the VUB Campus: The CANVAS learning platform illegally block our education cooperation.*
- **Prof. dr. Evelien Timbermont** (Vrije Universiteit Brussel), *Academic Freedom in the EU*
- **Prof. dr. Frederic Eggermont** (Vrije Universiteit Brussel), *La universidad como empresa*

Panel I: The Right to Education

11:00-12:30

Panel Chair: Prof. Dr. Karin Verelst (Vrije Universiteit Brussel)

- **Prof. dr. Richard Alexander** (SOAS University of London), *Students as Consumers*
- **Prof. dr. Koen Byttebier** (Vrije Universiteit Brussel), *The Right of Education under Attack by Capitalism*
- **Master Students** from International and Comparative Economic Law (ICEL)

Panel II: The Illegal Blockade of Cuba: Decades of Injustice.

14:00-15:30

Panel Chair: Prof. dr. Yanelys Delgado Triana (Universidad Central 'Marta Abreu' de las Villas)

- **Prof. dr. Stefaan Smis** (Vrije Universiteit Brussel), *The Cuban Blockade and International Law*
- **Prof. Elizabeth Valdés-Miranda & Prof. Desiree Llaguno** (Universidad de la Havana, Cuba), *The Blockade as an International Sanction.*
- **Prof. dr. Roberto Soprano** (Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain), *EU Blocking Statute*

#ElAmorYaEsLey: Constitutional and Legislative Reform in Cuba

16:00-17:30

Panel Chair: Prof. dr. Katarzyna Gromek-Broc (Università degli Studi di Pavia)

- **Prof. dr. Yanelys Delgado-Triana** (Universidad Central 'Marta Abreu' de las Villas), *Del Referendo Constitucional al Referendo al Código de las Familias*
- **Prof. dr. Andri Matilla** (Universidad de la Havana, Cuba), *La transformación del marco jurídico de los derechos a la luz de la Reforma del Ordenamiento Jurídico*
- **Prof. dr. Reinerio Rodriguez Corilla** (Universidad Central 'Marta Abreu' de las Villas), *Family Law Reform: Progressive Developments in Family Law. Against the Trends.*
- **Prof. dr. Yuri Pérez Martínez** (Universidad de la Havana, Cuba), *Democratic system, popular participation and alternatives.*

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