





International Symposium on 'What can Central and Eastern Europe learn from the development of Canada's constitutional system?'

On the Occasion of Canada's 150th Anniversary of Confederation

Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Faculty of Law Egyetem tér 1-3. Budapest, Hungary

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Convened by

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9.00 - 9.30 Official opening

Attila Menyhárd, Dean of the Faculty of Law, ELTE Eötvös Loránd University

Isabelle Poupart Canada's Ambassador to Hungary, Slovenia and Bosnia and Herzegovina

Morning session

Chair: Professor Márta Dezső (professor emerita, ELTE Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Law)

9.30 – 11.00 **Keynote speeches**

Jeremy Webber (Dean, University of Victoria, Law Faculty)

An Agonistic Constitution: Themes, Variations, Tensions, and their Reconciliation in Canada's Evolving Constitution

Richard Albert (Professor, Boston College Law School)

The Most Powerful Court in the World? The Rise of Judicial Review of Constitutional Amendment in Canada







11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00 Balázs Rigó (ELTE Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Law)

1867 as the Year of Constitutional Changes through the World

Hillel Sommer (Radzyner Law School, The Interdisciplinary Center, Herzlia, Israel)

The Canadian Override Mechanisms: A "bête noire"? A white knight? Designing 50 Shades of Grey

Zoltán Pozsár-Szentmiklósy (ELTE Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Law)

How Canada contributed to our knowledge on the principle of proportionality

Discussant: Lóránt Csink (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Faculty of Law and Political Sciences)

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch break

Afternoon session

Chair: Professor Nóra Chronowski (associate professor, ELTE Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Law)

14.00 – 15.30 Attila Nagy (City of Subotica)

The autonomy of Quebec in Canada and its influence on Kosovo* and Macedonia (FYROM)

János Mécs (ELTE Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Law)
Towards a more proportional electoral system? - constitutional

arguments on the need of electoral reforms in Canada and Hungary

Eszter Bodnár (ELTE Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Law)

How to select constitutional court justices? A best practice from Canada

Discussant: Fruzsina Gárdos-Orosz (Institute for Legal Studies, HAS CSS)

15.30 – 15.45 Coffee break







15.45 – 17.15 Dragan Dakić (Institute for Legal Studies, HAS CSS)

Scope of the reproductive choice and now technologies: comparison between Europe and Canada

Marcin Górski (Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Łódź)

Freedom of artistic expression. Constitutional lessons from Canada and practice in Eastern Europe

Ádám Fuglinszky (ELTE Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Law)

Canadian Bijuralism and what we can learn from

Discussant: Bernadette Somody (ELTE Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Law)

17.15 – 17.30 **Closing remarks**

Please register until 21 June at konferencia@ajk.elte.hu.