

## 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’?*

**16.00-16.30** **Coffee/Tea Break**

**16.30-17.30** **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?*
- *Monica Spatti (Catholic University of the Sacred Coeur, Milan) – Equivalence as an Emerging General Principle of EU External Relations Law*

**17.30-17.45** **Closing Remarks**

*Prof. Eleftheria Neframi (University of Luxembourg)*

**17.45** **Reception**