



**Faculty of Law University of Rijeka  
Jean Monnet Inter-University Centre of Excellence - Opatija**

*1<sup>st</sup> International Scientific Conference  
European Sports Labour Law*  
**Towards a Social Dialogue in Croatian Sport**  
*Friday - 25<sup>th</sup> May 2012*  
*(HKD Sušak – Strossmayerova 1), Rijeka - Croatia*

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**City of Rijeka**



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## Program:

### 10:00 - 11:00 Conference opening session

- **Head of the Delegation of the EU to the Republic of Croatia:** Ambassador Paul Vandoren
- **Croatian Minister of Science, Education and Sport:** Doc. dr.sc. Željko Jovanović
- **Mayor of the City of Rijeka:** Mr.sc. Vojko Obersnel
- **Rector of the University of Rijeka:** Prof.dr.sc. Pero Lučin
- **Hanns Seidel Stiftung Fondation in Croatia:** Aleksandra Markić Boban
- **Dean of the Faculty of Law University of Rijeka:** Prof.dr.sc. Eduard Kunštek
- **Head of the Jean Monnet Inter-University Centre of Excellence:**  
Prof.dr.sc. Nada Bodiroga-Vukobrat

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

#### 11:00 – 12:00

**Prof.dr.sc. Robert Siekmann**  
(*T.M.C. Asser Institute, Den Haag, The Netherlands*)

Sport and the Law or Sport's Law?

**Dr. sc. Rainer Koch**  
(*Vice President for Court and Statue Matters DFB, Germany*)

Sports Law in Germany and the status of professional players

#### 12:00 – 13:00

**Prof.dr.sc. Richard Parrish**  
(*Edge Hill University, UK*)

Lex Sportiva and European Sports Law –  
The Emphasis on Art. 165 TFEU

**Gianluca Monte**  
(*European Commission, DG Education and Culture, Unit Sport*)

The European Commission Point of View  
Towards a Social Dialogue in Sport

### 13:00 – 13:30 Discussion and Coffee break

**13:30 – 13:50 Roberto Branco Martins** (*University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands*)  
The Home-grown Players Rule and the Quota Systems in Sport – Could the Social Dialogue Help to put it in Line with the EU Law?

**13:55 – 14:15 Samuli Miettinen** (*Helsinki University, Finland*)  
Is there European Sports Law?

**14:20 – 14:40 Prof.dr. Siniša Petrović** (*Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Croatia*)  
Croatian Sports Law Act – Towards a European Model?

**14:45 – 15:05 Prof.dr. Marina Brollo, Dr.sc. Anna Zilli** (*Facoltà di Economia, Università di Udine, Italia*)  
Diritto di lavoro subordinato o autonomo nello sport in Italia  
(Subordinate Labour Law or Autonomous Labour Law in Italian Sport)

- 15:10 – 15:30 Prof.dr.sc. Nada Bodiroga- Vukobrat, Prof.dr.sc. Hana Horak**  
(*Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka; Faculty of Economics, University of Zagreb*)  
Fundamental Freedoms and sport in the EU
- 15:30 – 16:30 Discussion and Dinner**
- 16:30 – 16:50 Biserka Vrbek** (*Legal expert of the Croatian Olympic Committee*)  
The Role of the Croatian Olympic Committee in Regulating Sports Law in Croatia
- 16:55 – 17:15 Dr.sc. Tone Jagodič** (*General Secretary of the Olympic Committee of Slovenia*)  
Slovenian Sports Law Through the Eyes of the Olympic Committee of Slovenia
- 17:20 – 17:40 Alberto Rigotto** (*Udinese Calcio, Italia*)  
Dialogo Sociale nel Calcio Professionale in Italia – Il Contratto Collettivo e i rapporti di Lavoro nel Calcio Italiano  
(The Social Dialogue in Italian Professional Football – The Collective Agreement and the Labour Relations in Italian Football)
- 17:45 – 18:05 Dejan Stefanović** (*FIFPro – FIFPro Board Member*)  
The Labour Status of Football Players – From the FIFPro Point of View
- 18:10 – 18:30 Dario Šimić, Mario Jurić** (*Croatian Football Players Union – CFPU, Croatia*)  
The Labour Status of Croatian Football Players – from the CFPU point of view
- 18:35 – 18:55 Vanja Smokvina** (*Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka, Croatia*)  
Is there a Need for a Change in the Legal Status of Professional Sportspeople in Croatia?
- 19:00 Discussion and Final Remarks**