

## ***SEMINAR 2: "EU Charter of Fundamental Rights: family reunification and the fight against terrorism"***

**#L4RBurgos**

<b>Date</b>	23, 24 and 25 September 2020
<b>Location</b>	Conference Room, <a href="#">Faculty of Humanities and Communication</a> , University of Burgos, Burgos
<b>Language</b>	Spanish and English
<b>Participants</b>	Lawyers

### **Background**

This program covers the second training seminar within the framework of the European Project **Lawyers for the Protection of Fundamental Rights (Lawyers4Rights, <https://lawyers4rights.eu>)**, organized on this occasion by the Recognized Research Group of the University of Burgos "Civil and Criminal Judicial Cooperation in the European Union: Procedural Instruments" (abbreviated [CAJI](#) in Spanish) in collaboration with the Bar Association of Burgos ([ICABURGOS](#)). Following the seminar to be held in Milan (20-22 February 2020), further seminars will be celebrated in Sofia and Rome, homes of the different project partners of the project due to the delay generated by the Covid-19 health crisis. For this last reason, the dual face-to-face and virtual modality of this seminar is articulated precisely in order to allow the participation of lawyers from the three partner countries of the aforementioned European project in our city and university, and thus Bulgaria, Spain and Italy.

The scope of the seminar deals with the general study of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union (CFREU) and, in particular, with aspects that constitute today's challenges, in that they pose new issues in relation to the implementation of fundamental rights both in the European Union and in the Member States. Thus, the project –and now seminar– deals with two different matters in both areas, civil (or, specifically, private international) and criminal procedure respectively. Firstly, the guarantee of the right to family reunification as a consequence of the migratory phenomenon and, secondly, the fight against terrorism derived from the security value advocated in the European treaties to be achieved through the use of mutual recognition instruments, such as the European Arrest Warrant and Investigation Order with respect to procedural rights. These policy areas are now part of the so-called "Area of Freedom, Security and Justice" (AFSJ), which was established following the signing of the Treaty of Lisbon on 13 December 2007 and is covered by Title V (Articles 67-89) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).





## The Lawyers4Rights Project

The project led by the professional association of Bulgarian Lawyers for Human Rights (BLHR), which includes the University of Burgos and the General Council of Spanish Lawyers, as well as other prestigious participants –such as the Italian Federation of Liberal Professionals (Confprofessioni) and the Italian organisations *Associazione Nazionale Forense* (ANF) and the Milan Bar Association– has reached an important agreement for the training of legal professionals in the field of fundamental rights covered by the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union. The aforementioned international group was granted a subsidy from the European Commission for the 2019-2021 after the extension approved by the European Commission due to the pandemic and is part of the JUSTICE 2014-2020 Program (JUST-JTRA-EJTR-AG-2017/Proposal ID 806974) which amounts to 376,943.44 €, of which 75,542.44 € have been allocated to the University of Burgos.

This project is part of an action aimed at supporting transnational legal training projects covering aspects related to the protection of citizens' fundamental rights. In this way, Lawyers4Rights aims to promote knowledge in the legal sector of European and national legislation and case law on fundamental rights, in particular those with regard to the field of family reunification and the fight against terrorism. Therefore, the analysis of the implementation of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union is carried out from the double perspective of European and national legislation and case law. Moreover, the project aims to contribute to raising awareness among legal professionals of their significant role in the field of fundamental rights.

Within the activities that are part of the aforementioned project, and as a previous step to the development of the current training seminars, reports have been drawn up examining the state of the art within the subject matter of the project, both from a European and national perspective for each of the participating countries, in short, the Member States of the European Union Bulgaria, Spain and Italy. These reports, written in English, the language of the project, are deliverables of the project and as such are accessible on the project website. Specifically, these reports from a European and Spanish perspective have been written by professors from the University of Burgos who are members of the above-mentioned CAJI Group.

## Seminar

The seminar now being held in Burgos will deal not only with European legislation and case law –considered in previous and subsequent seminars– but will also pay special attention to Spanish domestic regulations. In this way, consideration will be given to both specific Spanish legislation in adaptation and/or development of European legislation and the case law handed



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down by Spanish courts and tribunals, especially the Supreme Court and the Constitutional Court, together with that issued by the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU). Therefore, the seminar will welcome the participation of speakers from different backgrounds and legal professions; basically from the academic field –university professors that will present the theoretical framework of the subject matter under examination together with legal professionals from the judicial and legal sectors who will explain the judicial practice derived from the application of European and Spanish regulations.



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## Program

### September 23th, 2020

- ❖ **16:00h. - 16:30h: Opening.**
  - **Manuel Pérez Mateos.** *Principal of the University of Burgos.*
  - **Santiago Bello Paredes.** *Dean of the Faculty of Law, University of Burgos.*
  - **Guillermo Plaza Escribano.** *Dean of the Illustrious Bar Association of Burgos.*
  
- ❖ **16:30h. - 17:30h.: Presentation of the Lawyers4Rights project and seminar.**
  - **Diliana Markova.** *Lawyer. Executive Director of the Bulgarian Lawyers for Human Rights Foundation (BLHR). Project Coordinator Lawyers4Rights. (Participation through videoconference).*
  - **Mar Jimeno Bulnes.** *Professor of Procedural Law, University of Burgos.*
  - **Marina San Martín Calvo.** *Assistant Professor of Commercial Law, University of Burgos.*
  
- ❖ **17:30h. - 18:00h.: Coffee break.**
  
- ❖ **18:00h. - 19:30h.: “The right to family reunification in the European Union and Spain: theoretical and jurisprudential perspective”.**
  - **Esther Gómez Campelo.** *Associate Professor of International Private Law, University of Burgos.*
  - **Marina San Martín Calvo.** *Assistant Professor of Commercial Law, University of Burgos.*

### September 24th, 2020

- ❖ **16:00h. - 17:30h.: “The fight against terrorism in the European Union: judicial cooperation in criminal matters and procedural rights”.**
  - **Mar Jimeno Bulnes.** *Professor of Procedural Law, University of Burgos.*
  - **Julio Pérez Gil.** *Professor of Procedural Law, University of Burgos.*
  
- ❖ **17:30h. - 18:00h.: Coffee break.**
  
- ❖ **18:00h. - 19:30h.: “The fight against terrorism in the European Union through judicial cooperation in criminal matters: procedural rights”.**
  - **Félix Valbuena González.** *Associate Professor of Procedural Law, University of Burgos.*
  - **M<sup>a</sup> Eugenia Gay Rosell.** *Lawyer. Dean of the Illustrious Bar Association of Barcelona.*



September 25th, 2020

- ❖ **16:00h. - 16:45h.: “The right to family life: immigration and family reunification”.**
  - José Antonio Moreno Díaz. *Lawyer. Counselor of the Economic and Social Committee of the European Union.*
  
- ❖ **16:45h. - 17:30h.: “The fight against terrorism based on European arrest and investigation orders: Spanish judicial perspective”.**
  - José de la Mata Amaya. *Magistrate-Judge. Central Investigative Court No. 5, Madrid.*
  
- ❖ **17:30h. - 18:00h.: Coffee break.**
  
- ❖ **18:00h. - 19:00h.: Conclusions table.**
  - Esther Gómez Campelo. *Associate Professor of International Private Law, University of Burgos.*
  - Marina San Martín Calvo. *Assistant Professor of Commercial Law, University of Burgos.*
  - Mar Jimeno Bulnes. *Professor of Procedural Law, University of Burgos.*
  - Julio Pérez Gil. *Professor of Procedural Law, University of Burgos.*
  - Félix Valbuena González. *Associate Professor of Procedural Law, University of Burgos.*
  
- ❖ **19:00h. - 19:30h.: Closing ceremony and delivery of diplomas.**
  - Mar Jimeno Bulnes. *Professor of Procedural Law, University of Burgos.*
  - Marina San Martín Calvo. *Assistant Professor of Commercial Law, University of Burgos.*
  - Yolanda Vizcarra Ramos. *Vice-Dean of the Illustrious Bar Association of Burgos.*

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  - Lawyers4Rights <https://lawyers4rights.eu/event/seminar-on-the-charter-of-fundamental-rights-2/>
  - CAJI <https://www.ubu.es/civil-and-criminal-judicial-cooperation-field-european-union-procedural-instruments-caji>

### Registration

This call is open to registered lawyers. For the registration in the different seminars, the following link should be used exclusively: <https://lawyers4rights.eu/application-form/>. Do please provide all the information required as well as the supporting documentation of the alleged merits.

The selection will be made by the organization committee on the basis of academic merits and, especially, level of English and date of the submission of the application.

**The deadline for applications is 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020.**

