IAFL Introduction to European Family Law

In cooperation with University of Tirana

15th and 16th October 2026

Education Chairs: Konstantinos Rokas (Greece), Jemma Dally (England & Wales), Elodie Mulon (France), and Kerstin Niethammer-Jürgens (Germany) and James Stewart (England & Wales)

Thursday, 15th October 2026

10:15 am: Introduction and welcoming remarks - Alice Meier-Bourdeau, IAFL European Chapter President

10:30 am to 11:45: Session 1

1996 & 1980 Hague Convention and Movement of Children

Panel Chair: Jemma Dally (England & Wales)

Panel:

Eniana Qarri, Lecturer in Family Law, Faculty of Law, University of Tirana (Albania)

Katrin Orav (Estonia)

Vlora Tamté (Sweden)

Nataša Plavšić, Serbia

11:45 to 12:15: Refreshment break

12:15 to 13:30: Session 2

Different Matrimonial Property Regime (to Include Nuptial Agreements)

Panel Chair: Kerstin Niethammer-Jürgens (Germany)

Panel:

Hugues Gaston (France)
Caroline Weerkamp (Austria)

Melissa Arnold (England & Wales)
Ervin Pupe (Supreme Court Judge, Albania)
Olfa Triki, Tunisia

13:30 to 14:30: Lunch break

14:30 to 15:45: Session 3

Alternative Dispute Resolution and Methods

Panel Chair: Elodie Mulon, France

Panel:

Silvana Çinari (Lecturer in Civil Procedure Law, University of Tirana)

Emanuel Lerch, Austria

Davide Piazzoni, Italy

Andrea Šťástková, Czech Republic

15:45 to 16:00: Coffee break

19:00 Drinks and Dinner at Vila Ferdinand

Friday, 16 October 2026

9:30 – 10:00: Young Lawyers' Award

Introduction and presentation of the winner and runner up: Alexandre Boiché

Presentation of the 2026 Winner – Femke Boymans, Netherlands

10:00 to 11:15 Session 4

Comparative Law and Comparative Law Perspectives

Panel Chair: Konstantinos Rokas (Greece)

Panel:

Sarah Casto (Germany)

Alex Kolitsi (Albania/Greece)

Jorida Xhafaj (Kosovo)

Brikena Kasmi (Albania)

11:15 to 11:45: Refreshment break

11:45 to 12:15: Closing remarks

12:15 – Light lunch and end of Conference