
Conference organised by the Austrian Ministry of Justice and the Project Group “Restatement of European Insurance Contract Law”

Vienna, 22nd January 2010
Conference Programme

9:00 a.m.  Welcome Address
SC Prof. Georg Kathrein, Vienna
Austrian Ministry of Justice

9:20 a.m.  Introduction
Prof. Helmut Heiss, Zurich
University of Zurich

Part I
Chairman: Prof. Malcolm Clarke, Cambridge

9:45 a.m.  Optional Insurance Law: Political Perspectives
Diana Wallis, Brussels/Luxembourg/Strasbourg
MEP, Vice-President of the European Parliament

Prof. Marcel Fontaine, Louvain
Université Catholique de Louvain

10:45 a.m.  Coffee Break

11:15 a.m.  Discussion

12:00 p.m.  Lunch

Part II
Chairman: Prof. John Birds, Manchester

1:30 p.m.  Optional Insurance Law: The Insurer’s View
Felix Wieser, Vienna
UNIQA Insurance Group, Delegate of the Austrian Insurance Association (VVO) to the Network of Stakeholder Experts on the Common Frame of Reference

2:00 p.m.  Optional Insurance Law: The Consumer’s View
Peter Hinchliffe, London
Lead Ombudsman, Financial Ombudsman Service

2:30 p.m.  Coffee Break
Part III
Chairman: Prof. Herman Cousy, Leuven

3:00 p.m.  Optional Insurance Law: The Role of the Intermediary
David Harari, Paris
IFEBO S.A., Directeur Général

3:30 p.m.  Discussion

4:30 p.m.  Closing Remarks
Prof. Jürgen Basedow, Hamburg
Director, Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law
General Information

Registration

As the number of participants is limited to 120, please register for this event using the registration form enclosed as soon as possible. While registration by post is possible, returning the form by e-mail (restatement@uibk.ac.at) or fax (+43 512 507 2644) is recommended, as registration will take place according to the order of receipt.

Event location

Austrian Ministry of Justice
Palais Trautson
Museumstraße 7
1070 Vienna

Accommodation

A limited number of rooms has been reserved at a special rate for conference guests at the

K+K Hotel Maria Theresia
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Conference Materials

These will be made available by e-mail shortly before the conference.
In this volume the Project Group “Restatement of European Insurance Contract Law” presents its Principles of European Insurance Contract Law (PEICL). These principles were submitted to the European Commission as a Draft Common Frame of Reference of European Insurance Contract Law (DCFR Insurance).

The volume comprises the PEICL/DCFR Insurance as well as translations into Czech, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Slovak, Spanish and Swedish. A short introduction sets out the approach used by the Project Group, how the PEICL/DCFR Insurance relate to the overall DCFR, the participation of the Project Group in the CoPECL Network, as well as the general structure and characteristics of the PEICL/DCFR Insurance.

The Project Group has also drafted the PEICL/DCFR Insurance as a model for an Optional Instrument of European Insurance Contract Law.