

“Foreigner Before the Court”
Polish–German Legal Forum
and
International
Scientific Conference

PROGRAMME

(12–14 May 2026, Zielona Góra)

The Rector’s Office
of the University of Zielona Góra,
Licealna Street 9

PROGRAMME

12 May 2026 (Tuesday)

11:00–12:00 | REGISTRATION

12:00–12:15 | Opening of the Conference

12:15–16:00 | Keynote Addresses

(Polish and German)

Moderator:

Dr hab. Martyna Łaszewska-Hellrigel, prof. UZ

12:15–13:45

Prof. dr hab. Karol Weitz, SSN

(University of Warsaw)

Prof. dr h.c. multi Burkhardt Hess

(University of Vienna)

*Judicial and Procedural Capacity
of Foreigners in Poland and Germany*

13:45–14:30 | Lunch

14:30–16:00

Dr hab. Tadeusz Zembrzuski, prof. UW

(University of Warsaw)

Prof. dr Wolfgang Hau

(LMU Munich)

*Legal representation of foreign
and foreign-based parties in Polish
and German civil procedure*

13 May 2026 (Wednesday)

Panel I

(Polish and German)

Moderator:

Prof. dr hab. Karol Weitz, SSN

09:00–09:40

Dr Marcin Białecki

(Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw)

Attorney-at-law Susanne Koehler

Legal Representation in Proceedings for the Return of a Child under the 1980 Hague Convention

09:40–10:00

Dr Kerstin Niethammer – Jürgens

The Significance of Hearing Children Following the Entry into Force of the Brussels IIb Regulation

10:00–10:20

Dr Katarzyna Strąk

(Institute of Law Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences)

Legal remedies available to individuals under the Dublin procedure. Recent case-law of the Court of Justice of the European Union

10:20–10:40

Attorney-at-law Filip Rakoczy

Dublin Procedures from Germany to Poland after the Suspension of the Right to Asylum: Systemic Deficiencies and Risks

10:40–11:00 | Discussion

11:00–11:20 | Coffee Break

Panel II

(Polish and German)

Moderator:

Dr hab. Christoph Mecke, prof. UZ

11:20–12:00

Dr Kajetan Górný

(University of Zielona Góra)

Judge Filip Lewandowski

(Local Administrative Court in Frankfurt Oder)

Access of Legal Representatives to Case Files in Proceedings Involving Foreigners in Poland and Germany

12:00–12:40

Mgr Liliana Sadowska

Mgr Iana Berger

(TEPIS)

Cooperation between Legal Counsel and Interpreters

12:40-13:00 Discussion

13:00–13:45 Lunch

Panel III

(English)

Moderator:

Dr Magdalena Skibińska

13:45–15:45

Panel Discussion:

Participation of Foreigners in Civil Proceedings – Practical Experiences from Selected Legal Systems

United States of America – **Dr Magdalena Tulibacka**

(Emory Law School)

South Africa – **Prof. Theo Broodryk**

(University of Stellenbosch)

Lithuania – **Dr Jurgis Bertkus** (Vilnius University)

Croatia – **Prof. Zvonimir Jelinić**

(Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek)

North Macedonia – **Dr Milica Shutova**

(Goce Delčev University, Štip)

14 May 2026 (Thursday)

Panel IV

(English)

Moderator:

Dr Joanna Markiewicz-Stanny

09:00–09:20

Attorney-at-law Evans Ogada

(Kenyatta University)

*Strangers at the Bar? The Legal Standing of Foreigners
in Kenya's Constitutional and Human Rights
Division of the High Court*

09:20–09:40

Prof. Tomasz Milej

(University of Namibia)

*The Status of a Foreigner in the Case Law
of Courts in Anglophone Sub-Saharan Africa –
Recent Developments*

09:40–10:00

Dr hab Marcin Górski, prof. UŁ

(University of Łódź)

Dr Marcin Princ

(Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań)

*Jurisprudence and Judicial Resilience
Regarding Immigration Issues*

10:00–10:20

Dr Maja Łysienia

(University of Lausanne, HES-SO Valais-Wallis)

*Asylum Seekers and the European Court of Human
Rights: Seeking Interim Protection during the Crisis at
the Polish–Belarusian Border*

10:20–10:40 | Discussion

10:40–11:00 | Coffee Break

Panel V

(English)

Moderator:

Dr Michał Zieliński

11:00–11:20

Dr David Kryska

(Charles University in Prague)

*The Right to an Effective Remedy in Migration Law in
Czech Administrative Judiciary*

11:20–11:40

Dr hab. Witold Klaus, prof. INP PAN

(Institute of Law Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences)

Dr Monika Szulecka

(Institute of Law Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences)

*Detainee-to-be before the Court:
How Courts Approach the Protection
of Migrants' Rights*

11:40–12:00

Dr Izabela Florczak

(University of Łódź)

*Cross-Border Recruitment and Judicial
Protection: Challenges Migrant Workers Face
When Seeking Justice*

12:00–12:20

Prof. Amina Maneggia

(University of Perugia)

*Artificial Intelligence in Asylum Proceedings
and the Role of Judiciary*

12:40–13:00 | Discussion

13:00 | Closing of the Conference

13:15 | Lunch



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