

## LAWGEM Project

**Conference Board** – PhD Candidate Ana Pavlović, Prof. Dr. Dragica Vujadinović, Prof. Dr. Ivana Krstić, Prof. Dr. Ljubinka Kovačević, Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, Prof. Dr. Marco Evola, Prof. Dr. Isabel Ribes Moreno, Prof. Dr. Susanne Strand, Dr Mareike Froehlich

## AGENDA

# GENDER (IN)EQUALITY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITY

*Bilingual conference with English/Serbian/English translation and translation into the Serbian sign language*

**Monday, September 20, 2021**

**Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade, Conference room (Combination of online session and offline work at FL UB - Please click the link below to join the webinar:**

**<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86927315848>**

**09.00-09.30** Welcome Speeches (Serbian, in person): Dean Prof. Dr. Zoran Mirković, Rector Prof. Dr. Ivanka Popović, Brankica Janković, Commissioner for Equality R of Serbia, Milana Rikanović, Head of Program Office UN Women Serbia, Prof. Dr. Dragica Vujadinović (Chair)

### **09.30-12.10 Part I - Intersectional Discrimination of Women and Girls with Disability and Means of their Empowerment**

**Chair Prof. Dr. Ivana Krstić**

**09.30-09.50** Lyazzat Kaltayeva, International Expert, chair of the Central Asian Disability Forum and chair of the Association of Women with Disabilities “Shyrak”, *Empowerment of Women and Girls with Disability* (English, online)

**09.50-10.10** Dr. Ana Pelaez Narvaez, International Expert, Executive Vice-President of the CERMI Women’s Foundation in Spain and Vice-Chair of the UN CEDAW Committee, *Empowerment of Women and Girls with Disability* (English, online)

**10.10 - 10.30** Discussion

**10.30 - 10.50** Coffee break

**10.50-11.10** Dr. Kosana Beker – International Expert, *Intersectional Discrimination of Women with Disability* (Serbian, in person)

**11.10-11.30** Dragana Ćirić Milovanović, Director of European Programs, Disability Rights

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International, *Disability Rights Advocacy and Empowerment of Women and Girls with Disabilities* (English, online)

**11.30 – 11.50** Discussion

**11.50-12.10** Filip Mirić, L.L.D. Research associate, Faculty of Law University of Niš, Adviser of President of AEPA, *Communication with People with Disabilities* (English, online)

**LUNCH and Coffee BREAK 12.15-13.40** (hotel Metropol)

## **13.45-16.15 Part II - Current Problems of Discrimination, Harassment, Violence over Persons with Disabilities and Ways Out in Legal, Social and Educational Context in Serbia**

**13.45 - 14.25** – Chair PhD Candidate Ana Pavlović, **Inclusion/Exclusion of Persons with Disability in Education - personal experiences of students of the Faculty of Law University of Belgrade** (Serbian, in person)

Participants: Maša Stojaković, *Education of Persons with Disability in Serbia - Is it the Way Towards Success?* Ljubomir Tintor, *Practical Problems of Students with Disability in regards of Equality*, Ana Pavlović, *Equitable Studying as the Precondition for a Successful Inclusion of Persons with Disability into the Community*

**14.25 - 14.40** Discussion

**14.40-15.40** – Chair Prof. Dr. Dragica Vujadinović, **Round table** – participants (in person): Brankica Janković, Commissioner for Equality of R Serbia, Natalija Ostojić, UN Women representative, Damjan Tatić, Legal Expert of the UN Committee for Persons with Disability (online only), Ivana Zelić, NGO From the Circle VOJVODINA, Prof. Dr. Ljubinka Kovačević (Serbian)

**15.40 - 16.10** Q&A session

**16.10-16.15** Prof. Dr Dragica Vujadinović, closing statement

Cocktail

**[Call for papers for the book concerned with the conference topics \(click here\)](#)**

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### **Brief CVs of the keynote speakers**

**Lyazzat Kaltayeva** of Kazakhstan is the chair of the Central Asian Disability Forum and chair of the Association of Women with Disabilities “Shyrak”. Through “Shyrak”, she has built a network of women with disabilities, entitled, “Central-Asian Network of Leaders and Organizations of Women with Disabilities.” Ms. Kaltayeva is also a member of the National Council on disability and of the National Commission for Women’s

Affairs, Family and Demographic Policy under the President of Kazakhstan, as well as advisor of the Minister of Health and Social Development of Kazakhstan. She was awarded at the Asia Pacific Award of fighters for the rights of people with disabilities.

**Ana Peláez Narváez** holds a Degree in Science of Education, a Degree in Psychology and Master's Degree in Special Needs for People with Disabilities and PhD courses in quality of life. She is currently the Executive Vice-President of the CERMI Women's Foundation in Spain and the Vice-Chair of the UN Committee of Elimination of Discrimination against Women. She was the first woman with a disability to be elected. Ana participated in the official Spanish delegation that took part in the final drafting phase of the UN Convention on the rights of Persons with Disabilities, as well as in the Signing Ceremony, and official deposit of Spain's ratification. In recognition of her contribution in this field, she was awarded the Order of Isabel the Catholic by His Majesty King Juan Carlos I of Spain.

**Dragana Ćiric Milovanović** is Director of European Programs of the Disability Rights International. She is also a founder of Mental Disability Rights Initiative in Serbia (MDRI-S), an affiliate of Disability Rights International, founded in 2008 to support national advocacy movement of persons with intellectual, cognitive and psycho-social disabilities and perform oversight of their human rights in Serbia. Her work includes monitoring of and reporting on human rights of persons with disabilities, especially those placed in segregated settings, work on public policies, national, regional and world-wide advocacy, capacity building, and raising public awareness on the rights of persons with disabilities. Dragana is an author of numerous reports and publications on disability rights in Serbia. Dragana holds MA in Psychology and a Certificate in Rational – Emotive – Behavioral Therapy (REBT) of Albert Ellis Institute.

**Kosana Beker** is Program Director of Women's Rights Organization FemPlatz. She holds PhD at the Center for Gender studies of The Association of Centers for Interdisciplinary and Multidisciplinary Studies and Research at the University of Novi Sad. Ms. Beker completed her master's degree in gender studies at UN mandated University for Peace, Costa Rica, and she got her BA degree at the Law Faculty at the University of Belgrade. Her fields of interest are human rights and antidiscrimination, and her specialties are gender equality and women's rights, especially women from multiply marginalized groups. She is author of numerous working papers, publications, research in the field of anti-discriminatory law, gender equality and human rights of marginalized groups. She is a member of ANED – the Academic Network of European Disability Experts.

**Filip Mirić** holds PhD in the field of criminal law. He published over 100 scientific articles in scientific professional journals, including articles related to protection of the rights of persons with disabilities. He is the co-author of three monographs. He advocates the persons with disabilities for the realization of the principle of independent living and decision making on all issues of importance for their life and work. He is a member of the City Association of Children with Cerebral Palsy in Niš, the Center for Independent Living of Persons with Disabilities in Niš, an advisor to the president of the Association of Lawyers "AEPA" and a lecturer in this Association. He is employed at the Faculty of Law University of Niš, works at Doctoral Studies Services, and holds the scientific title of Research Associate in legal studies.