

**1st Michele Taruffo
Girona Evidence Week**

23-27 may, 2022

PRESENTATION

Although studies on evidentiary reasoning in law have a long and fruitful tradition in Anglo-Saxon countries, it can be said that the number and the sophistication of debates has grown exponentially since the 1960s. More recently, the same phenomenon has occurred in other latitudes, as is the case of Spanish, Italian and Portuguese-speaking countries or China.

In this time, a multidisciplinary approach to evidentiary studies has also been consolidated, ranging from procedural law, constitutional law, legal epistemology or the philosophy of law, to the theory of probabilities, the philosophy of science and the very diverse scientific and technical disciplines that are increasingly called to bring expert knowledge to the case.

Many international congresses have been convened to discuss the theoretical progress that has taken place. But there is still a need for a regular event that can be a reference for the entire international legal community interested in the subject, bringing together researchers in the field of legal evidentiary reasoning and interested lawyers, judges, prosecutors, etc., and which may be a mandatory reference for those studying the matter.

For this reason, with the antecedent of the 1st World Congress on Evidentiary Reasoning, held in Girona in 2018, we intend to organize every three years, also in Girona, a new edition of that world congress, now under the name Michele Taruffo Girona Evidence Week.

The official languages of the event will be English and Spanish, with simultaneous translation between the two of them.

Why “Girona Evidence Week”?

Because, apart from being a world congress on evidentiary reasoning, we have designed an event that departs from the traditional scheme of such events, with activities of a very diverse nature, that go beyond the traditional presentations that are typical of a congress, and because it will take place for a whole week.

Therefore, the event is divided into two large parts.

1. The first part includes five plenary presentations, two plenary discussion panels on central topics of evidentiary reasoning and three simultaneous short courses on various topics.
2. The second part, on the other hand, will be characterized by a wide variety of simultaneous workshops on very different topics within our study area, which will take place the final two days of the week.

As organizers we have planned four official workshops, to which others will be added resulting from a “call for workshops”. Thus, we hope to offer a very diverse programme in topics, perspectives and languages, which allows all participants to select those that are of greatest interest to them.





Why the “Michele Taruffo” Girona Evidence Week?

Michele Taruffo’s work and character is undoubtedly one of the factors that explain the growth of interest in evidentiary reasoning in countries of Romano-Germanic tradition and, especially, in Italy and Latin America. His claim to offer a general theory of evidentiary problems, anchored in an analysis of comparative law, also allowed him to have an important presence in the Anglo-Saxon debate and more recently in China.

Taruffo was a researcher in the Chair of Legal Culture at the University of Girona until his death in December 2020. He participated in all the projects we have developed in this field since the founding of the Chair: he was, among other things, professor of the master’s degree in Evidential Legal Reasoning and a member of the advisory committee of *Quaestio facti*, *International Journal on Evidential Legal Reasoning*. Furthermore, the University of Girona has been hosting the Taruffo Fund this year, which includes more than 13 thousand volumes and a small art collection. In short, the fact that today we are able to offer a Girona Evidence Week as a global meeting point could not be explained without the capital influence of our greatly missed Maestro Taruffo. Therefore, we want to honour his memory and recognize the importance of his work by permanently linking his name to this series of congresses.

PLENARY CONFERENCES

MTGEW will have five plenary lectures on various topics related with evidential legal reasoning and evidence law. After each presentation, the debate will open with all those attending the event.



Plenary 1

Michele Taruffo and the evidence studies evolution

Luca Passanante

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Full professor of civil procedure at the University of Brescia and teaches Civil Procedure, Comparative Civil Justice and ADR. PhD at the University of Bologna, he was visiting scholar in Edinburgh, Cambridge and Oxford. He is lecturer at the Higher School of the Judiciary and has been speaker at various seminars and congresses in Italy and abroad. He's a member of the Associazione Italiana tra gli Studiosi del Processo Civile, of the International Association of Procedural Law, of the Instituto Brasileiro de Direito Processual and of the Italian British Law Association. He wrote three books and several articles on civil procedure and evidence. Among others: *Dell'assunzione dei mezzi di prova in generale*, in Taruffo (a cura di), *Istruzione probatoria*, Zanichelli, Bologna, 2014; *La prova illecita nel processo civile*, Giappichelli, Torino, 2017; *Illegally obtained evidence in civil procedure: a comparative perspective*, in *Evidence in the process*, Atelier, Salamanca, 2018; *Per la difesa dell'onere della prova*, in Saccoccio-Cacace (a cura di), *Europa e America Latina. Due continenti, un solo diritto*, Giappichelli-Editorial Tirant Lo Blanch, Torino-Valencia, 2020.



Plenary 2

Artificial Intelligence and proof. Can a Machine be a fairer judge?

Marina Gascón Abellán

Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha, Spain

Professor of Philosophy of Law at the Castilla-La Mancha University (Spain), where she directs the master's degree in Health Law and Bioethics. She has carried out study and research stays at universities in Europe and the United States, and usually teaches courses and seminars at other universities and centres connected with the judiciary. Her studies have focused on problems of political philosophy, bioethics, constitutional justice and, above all, argumentation theory, with particular attention to evidence and proof. Her publications in the analysis of evidentiary problems are numerous. *Los hechos en el Derecho. Bases argumentales de la prueba* (1999, 3ª ed. 2010); *La motivación en la prueba* (2004); *Sobre la posibilidad de formular estándares de prueba objetivos* (2005); *Freedom of Proof* (2005); *Validez y valor de las pruebas científicas: la prueba del ADN* (2007); *La oportunidad perdida. Responsabilidad, causalidad, probabilidad* (2009); *La prueba del nexo causal en la responsabilidad por daños* (2009); *Razones científico-jurídicas para valorar la prueba científica: Una argumentación multidisciplinar* (2010); *Prueba científica: mitos y paradigmas* (2011); *Prueba de la causalidad en pleitos de daños* (2011); *A Prova dos Fatos*, (2012); *Cuestiones probatorias* (2012); *Prueba científica: Un mapa de Retos* (2013); *¿Una lógica del descubrimiento para la prueba?* (2014); *Technical Support for a Judge when Assessing a priori Odds* (2015); *Conocimientos expertos y deferencia del juez* (2016); *Valoración de la Prueba y Causalidad Jurídica* (2017); *Prevención y Educación. El camino hacia una mejor Ciencia Forense en el sistema de justicia* (2020); *Además de la verdad. Defensa de los derechos cuando se buscan pruebas* (2020). *Ciencia Forense en los tribunales* (2021); *Prevention and Education: The Path for Better Forensic Science Evidence* (2021). She has translated "El derecho dúctil" by Gustavo Zagrebelsky (1995) into Spanish and co-translated "Principia Juris" by Luigi Ferrajoli (2011).



Plenaria 3

Evidence Theory or Science?: Legal Epistemology Meets its Parents and Isn't Pleased

Ronald J. Allen

Northwestern University, United States

John Henry Wigmore Professor at Northwestern University School of Law. He is president of the International Association of Evidence Science. He has been part of various research groups that formulated legal reforms on the judicial process in China and Tanzania. He has published several books and more than 100 articles in various top international journals, including "Comprehensive Criminal Procedure", "An Analytical Approach To Evidence", "Relative Plausibility and its Critics", etc.



Plenary 4

Title to be determined

Magne Strandberg

Universitetet i Bergen, Norway

Professor of law at the faculty of law, University of Bergen. His main teaching obligations are within civil procedure law and tort law, and he is also co-chair of the mandatory course in procedural law. One of Strandberg's fields of research is evidence law. He published a book on evidence and assessment of damages in 2005, and his doctoral thesis from 2010 deals with the standard of evidence in civil cases. The doctoral thesis was published as a book in 2012, and Strandberg has in the years to follow published several articles both on the law of evidence and theories of evidence. Strandberg was involved in ELI/UNIDROIT-project which in 2020 was completed by the Model European Rules of Civil Procedure where he took part in the working group on obligations of judges and parties and in a working group on appeal. He is for the time being involved in a project on digitalization of procedural law, which is one element under the project Comparative Procedural Law and Justice organized by Max-Planck-Institute Luxembourg.



Plenary 5 Title to be determined

Jennifer L. Mnookin
University of California, United States

Ralph and Shirley Shapiro Professor in the UCLA School of Law. She has been the dean of the School since 2015. She is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and served on the National Academy of Sciences' Committee on Science, Technology and Law, where she co-chaired the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (well known for its report on the use of forensic science in the American criminal courts). She is the co-author of "The New Wigmore. A Treatise on Evidence" and from "Modern Scientific Evidence: The Law and Science of Expert Testimony". She has published extensively on topics related to forensic science, including latent fingerprint identification, handwriting expertise and DNA evidence, among many others.



PANELS

MTGEW will have two plenary panels for Monday and Tuesday afternoons. Five specialists on various aspects of the same topic will participate in each of the panels as a round table, opening a discussion with all attendees at the end.

Panel 1

Factual errors in evidential legal reasoning: identification and strategies of reduction



Coordinated by

Carmen Vázquez

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Professor of philosophy of law at the University of Girona and researcher at the Chair of Legal Culture at the same university. She has conducted research stays at the Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas (UNAM), the University of Miami, Northwestern University and the University of Nottingham. She has participated in different research projects in Spain and in multiple academic events in Europe and Latin America. Her publications include “De la prueba científica a la prueba pericial” (2015), “Less probabilism and more about explanationism” (The International Journal of Evidence and Proof); “Técnica Legislativa del feminicidio y sus problemas probatorios” (DOXA, 2019); “La prueba pericial en la experiencia estadounidense. El caso Daubert” (Jueces para la democracia, 2016); “El perito de confianza de los jueces” (Analisi e Diritto, 2016); “La admisibilidad de las pruebas periciales y la racionalidad de las decisiones judiciales” (DOXA, 2015), amongst others. She has edited “Estándares de prueba y prueba científica” (2013) and co-edited “Debate con Taruffo” (2016) “Del derecho al razonamiento probatorio” (Marcial Pons, 2020) and “El razonamiento probatorio en el proceso judicial. Un encuentro entre diferentes tradiciones” (Marcial Pons, in press). She is co-translator of “Verdad, error y proceso penal” (2013) by Larry Laudan and translator of “Perspectivas pragmatistas” (2020) by Susan Haack. She is a member of the “Quaestio Facti. International Journal on Evidential Legal Reasoning” editorial team.



Daniel Epps

Washington University, United States

Professor of law at Washington University in St. Louis, where his research and teaching revolve around criminal law and procedure and constitutional law. He has written two articles about errors in criminal justice, both of which appeared in the Harvard Law Review. “The Consequences of Error in Criminal Justice” analyzes the how the criminal justice system should balance the competing goals of preventing erroneous convictions and preventing erroneous acquittals. “Harmless Errors and Substantial Rights” explores the rules governing appellate review of constitutional procedural errors at criminal trials. His other legal scholarship has appeared or will appear in the *Yale Law Journal*, the *University of Pennsylvania Law Review*, the *Michigan Law Review*, the *NYU Law Review*, and the *Vanderbilt Law Review*, and his writing for popular audiences has appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Vox*, and *The Atlantic*. A nationally recognized expert on the Supreme Court, he is regularly quoted in the media. He is a graduate of Harvard Law School and a former law clerk for Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy.



Luca Lupária Donati

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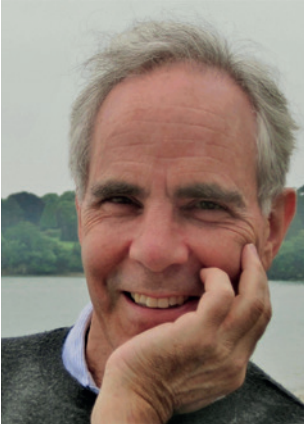
Full university Professor of Criminal Procedural Law at the Università degli Studi Roma Tre, Italy. He has a PhD from the University of Bologna. He is the author of more than one hundred and fifty scientific publications, both Italian and international, on the central issues of comparative law and criminal procedural law (including: evidentiary law; artificial intelligence, criminal liability of legal persons; victims of crimes; fundamental rights of the accused; judicial cooperation between EU Member States, etc.). He has also published monographs on the confession of the accused, the European *ne bis in idem* and the use of technology in criminal investigations. He has recently been appointed, by the Italian Minister of Justice, a member of the Commission for the Reform of the Criminal Procedure. He is the coordinator of the Italian Criminal Procedure Code, published by the Giappichelli publishing house, and of collective volumes (some of them international), recently on anti-mafia legislation, scientific evidence, the protection of victims in criminal proceedings, Cybercrime, judicial error. Professor Lupária has been the coordinator of international projects financed by the European Commission, and coordinator of national units in different international projects. He is a member of the editorial board of *Law, Probability and Risk* journal, published by Oxford University Press, and also of the editorial or executive committees of eminent Italian and international journals. He is Co-Director of the editorial series “Giustizia penale Europea”, “Scienze penalistiche e criminologia” and “Processo penale e politica criminale”; vice-director of “Sistema Penale” and of “Diritto penale contemporaneo-Rivista Trimestrale”. He has been a Visiting Professor at various universities in Europe and America, teaching in Master’s and Doctoral courses, and lecturer at international conferences (in USA, Argentina, Spain, France, Germany, Switzerland, Colombia, Chile, Peru, etc.).



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Junior Assistant Professor in Criminal Procedure, University of Bologna. She has a Ph.D. in Criminal Procedure Law from the University of Bologna, was Post-doc Researcher at the University of Luxembourg and Visiting Researcher at the University of North Carolina. She has worked in the legal department of the Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM) of the European Central Bank and at the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF). Her main research topics include: Procedural rights in criminal proceedings in Italy and in the case-law of the European Courts, the application of algorithmic and AI technologies to the criminal justice matter, new forms of digital investigations and surveillance, and banking and financial investigations. She is part of several European and international research projects (e.d. PARTFin, CROSSJUSTICE, DEVICES, EUBAR) and the author of the monograph *Banking Supervision and Criminal Investigation. Comparing the EU and US Experiences* (Springer/Giappichelli, 2019).



Samuel R. Gross

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Thomas and Mabel Long Professor of Law Emeritus at the University of Michigan in the United States. He is co-founder and Senior Editor of the National Registry of Exonerations. Professor Gross has published many works on false convictions and exonerations, eyewitness identification, capital punishment, evidence law, pre-trial settlement and the selection of cases for trial, and racial profiling. He has litigated test cases on jury selection in capital trials, racial discrimination in the use of the death penalty and the constitutionality of executing defendants in the face of a substantial known risk of innocence.



Gwladys Gilliéron

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Associate Professor (Privatdozentin) in Criminal Law and Criminology at the University of Zurich and is currently working as an Assistant Federal Prosecutor at the Office of the Attorney General of Switzerland. She is a member of the editorial board of *The Wrongful Conviction Law Review*. She received a PhD in Law from the University of Zurich and an LLM in Criminal Justice from the University of Lausanne. She was a research fellow at the University of Minnesota's Institute on Crime and Public Policy and at the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law in Freiburg. Her work has centered on wrongful convictions in several nations, the examination of prosecution services in Europe and the United States, and randomized controlled trials on new criminal sanctions.



Panel 2

Evidence at crossroads: blurring borders?



Coordinated by

Lorena Bachmaier Winter

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Full Professor at the Complutense University in Madrid, in criminal and civil procedure, and arbitration since 1996. In this capacity, she also teaches in the summer law school of Saint Louis University since 2004. She has written extensively in the area of her expertise, being the author or editor of 15 books and more than 150 scientific articles on fair trial rights, justice systems and procedure published in more than seven languages. Among the most recent ones there is the book on the European Public Prosecutor's Office (2018), or the book on "Lawyer-client confidentiality in criminal proceedings" (2020). At present she is leading, among others, the international project on Admissibility of E-evidence of the European Law Institute. She is regular speaker in international conferences. She is a member of the most relevant international academic associations, as AIDP and the IACL, and member of the editorial board of numerous law reviews. She has been visiting professor or researcher in foreign institutes and universities as, for example, the Max-Planck-Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS) or the Universities of Berkeley, Harvard and Stanford (USA). Her present research is focused on comparative criminal procedure, rule of law and judicial independence, human rights and procedure, and the EU process of legal harmonization. She also works regularly as an international legal expert for the Council of Europe and other international organizations in legal reforms in Eastern European countries and also in Central Asia and was appointed chair of the special committee on Transnational Organized Crime of the Council of Europe in 2013-2014.



Matthew Dyson

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Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law, University of Oxford, and a Tutorial Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford. He is an associate member of 6KBW College Hill, one of the leading sets of barristers chambers in criminal law in London. He has held visiting positions at the Universities of Paris - Dauphine, Cape Town, Iowa, Göttingen, Sydney, Harvard and the Max Planck Institute for International and Comparative Private Law, Hamburg. His published works focus on criminal law, tort law and the relationship between the two, particularly from a comparative legal history perspective, including the edited works *Unravelling and Tort and Crime* (CUP, 2014), *Comparing Tort and Crime* (CUP, 2015), *Fifty Years of the Law Commissions* (Hart, 2016, co-edited), *The Limits of Criminal Law* (Intersentia 2018, co-edited), *Regulating Risk through Private Law* (Intersentia 2018) and authoring *Explaining Tort and Crime* (CUP, forthcoming).



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David G. Price and Dallas P. Price Professor of Law at the School of Law of the University of California, Los Angeles, United States, where he teaches Criminal Law, Comparative Criminal Procedure and International and Transnational Criminal Law since 2003. He is also President of the American Society of Comparative Law. Besides teaching at UCLA, Professor Langer has taught at, among other institutions, the University Torcuato Di Tella School of Law in Argentina and Harvard Law School (where he was Louis D. Brandeis Visiting Professor of Law). Professor Langer is also the Director of the Transnational Program on Criminal Justice at UCLA School of Law and is a Member of the American Law Institute. He was also the Founding Faculty Director of the Criminal Justice Program at UCLA School of Law. He obtained his abogado degree at the University of Buenos Aires School of Law and his Doctor of Juridical Science degree at Harvard Law School. He has authored many publications on criminal law and criminal procedure and his work has been translated to and published in multiple languages and has received awards from several professional associations.



Geert Keil

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Professor of Philosophy at Humboldt-Universität Berlin and the president of the German Society for Analytical Philosophy (GAP). His main areas of research are the philosophy of action, epistemology, philosophy of language, metaphysics, and the philosophy of free will. His book publications include *Handeln und Verursachen* (2000), *Fifty Years of Quine's 'Two Dogmas'* (2003), *Willensfreiheit* (2007), *Quine* (2011), *Vagueness and Ontology* (2013), *Vagueness and Law* (2016), *Aristotle's Anthropology* (2019), and *Wenn ich mich nicht irre* (2019).



Ralf Poscher

Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, Germany

Managing director at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security and Law in Freiburg and honorary professor at the University of Freiburg. After being the managing director of the Centre for Security and Society at the University of Freiburg (2013-2018) Professor Poscher became dean of the University's Faculty of Law (2018) before assuming his position at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security and Law in Freiburg (2019). He has published numerous books and articles on German constitutional rights and German police law as well as legal theory and philosophy. In two of his latest articles he explores the function of the proportionality principle in fundamental rights law and the impact of AI-technologies on the understanding of the right to data protection (both available on SSRN).

SHORT COURSES

MTGEW attendees will be able to choose from four short courses on different topics, taught for 4 hours by specialists in the subject. Each course will be held simultaneously on Wednesday 25 May, in the Spanish morning. For those who register in the online mode, the recording will be offered starting at 4:00 p.m. (Spanish time) on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. It will also be possible to view them later at any time for both (face-to-face registrations and online registrations).

Course 1

The Rationalist Tradition of Evidence and Proof: key elements and challenges

The course will analyse what it means and what it implies to conceive evidence and proof in law as an area of knowledge. The distinction between minimization and distribution of the risk of error in the judicial determination of the facts and the relationship between these and other non-epistemic purposes of evidence law will be examined. It will also discuss the appropriate means to encourage the investigation of the truth in the process, especially considering the challenge of facing the cognitive biases that affect the agents involved in it.

Taught by

Daniela Acattino

Universidad Austral, Chile

Lawyer (University of Chile, 1997) and PhD in Law (University of Granada, 2006). She was a visiting researcher at the University College of London (2013). She is currently a professor of Evidence Law at the Austral University of Chile (Valdivia), where she also directs the Institute of Private Law and Law Sciences. She is part of the teaching team of the master's degree in evidential legal reasoning at the Universities of Girona and Genova and of the Editorial Committee of *Quaestio Facti*. *International Journal on Evidential Legal Reasoning*. Her main areas of research are the theory of evidence, judicial reasoning and judicial processes in transitional justice. Her recent publications include "Legal evidence theory: Are we all 'rationalists' now?" (*Revus. Journal for constitutional theory and philosophy of law*, 40, 20202) and "The Chilean crisis as a transitional justice moment" (*Legal & Social Studies*, 4, XX, 2021).



Course 2

Presumptions in the Law of Evidence

This course examines presumptions in the law of evidence from a variety of angles. The form or structure of a presumption as an evidentiary device and its function in allocating the burden of proof and regulating factual inferences will be analyzed. We will then move on to a taxonomy of presumptions and study the dichotomy between presumptions of law vs presumptions of fact, rebuttable vs irrebuttable presumptions, and, 'legal' versus 'evidential' presumptions. Attention will be paid to the presumption of innocence as a special kind of presumption. The rationales or policy underpinnings of presumptions and the extent to which it is legitimate to shift the burden of proof to the accused via a presumption will be critically evaluated.

Taught by

Ho Hock Lai

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Coomaraswamy Professor of the Law of Evidence at the National University of Singapore. His immediate prior appointment was Amaladass Professor of Criminal Justice at the same university. He obtained his first law degree from the National University of Singapore, his postgraduate degree, the BCL, from Oxford University, and his doctorate from Cambridge University. He specializes in the law of evidence. His significant publications include *A Philosophy of Evidence Law - Justice in the Search for Truth* (Oxford University Press, 2008).



Course 3

Standards of proof and due process

The course will address the role of standards of proof in evidentiary reasoning and their relationship to safeguards such as due process and duty to state reasons. The relationship of standards of proof to other rules of evidentiary decisions will also be discussed, such as the burden of proof or presumptions and, in particular, the presumption of innocence. The methodological requirements for the correct formulation of the standards of proof will be presented, as well as the eminently political character of the determination of the threshold of sufficient evidence. Finally, a series of examples will be presented to better visualize how standards of proof could be formulated.

Taught by

Jordi Ferrer Beltrán

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Professor of Legal Philosophy at the University of Girona (Spain), director of the Chair of Legal Culture and director of the Master's Degree on Evidentiary Reasoning, at the same university. He is also co-editor of *Quaestio Facti*, International Journal on Evidential Legal Reasoning. He has published "Las normas de competencia. Un aspecto de la dinámica jurídica" (2000), "Prueba y verdad en el derecho" (2002), "La valoración racional de la prueba" (2007), together with Jorge Rodríguez, "Jerarquías normativas y dinámica de los sistemas jurídicos" (2011), "Motivación y racionalidad de la prueba" (2016), "Prueba y racionalidad de las decisiones judiciales" (2018), together with Jordi Nieva and Leandro Giannini, "Contra la carga de la prueba", (2019) and "Prueba sin convicción. Estándares de prueba y debido proceso" (2021). He



co-edited the series of three volumes of "Law, Politics, and Morality: European Perspectives" (2003, 2006 y 2007), "La laicidad desde el Derecho" (2010), "The Logic of Legal Requirements: Essays on Legal Defeasibility" (2011), "El realismo jurídico genovés" (2011), "Seguridad jurídica y democracia en Iberoamérica" (2015), "Debatiendo con Taruffo" (2016), "Seguridad jurídica, pobreza y corrupción en Iberoamérica" (2018), "Del derecho al razonamiento probatorio" (2020) and "El razonamiento probatorio en el proceso judicial. Un encuentro entre diferentes tradiciones" (2021). He has also published many articles in journals such as *Rechtstheorie*, *Associations*, *Analisi e diritto*, *Ragion Pratica*, *Legal Theory*, *Law and Philosophy*, *Teoria Politica*, *Isonomía*, *Revus*, *Diritto e procedura civile* and *Cassazione penale*, among others..

Course 4

Testimony as evidence, between psychology and law

This course will discuss the extent to which the principles of orality, immediacy and contradiction are informed by the many knowledge (derived from scientific research in the fields of testimonial psychology and neuroscience) related to the thought and knowledge processes underlying a witness statement, as well as knowledge of the relationship between the practice of testimony and its validity, and of the mental processes underlying the formulation of the fact finding. These are the topics of a course that offers up-to-date knowledge and important points for reflection on the topic of the validity and assessment of the testimonial evidence.

Taught by

Giuliana Mazzoni

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PhD from the University of Padova, professor of psychology from the University of Rome, La Sapienza, and professor emeritus of neuroscience/psychology, University of Hull, UK. Was a reader at Plymouth University, part-time professor at Seton Hall University (USA) and the University of Calabria (Italy). She is an internationally recognized expert for her research on human memory and for its applications in the forensic field. Her research has been funded by various international agencies. She is the author of more than 170 articles in international journals, and of some books, also in Italian and Spanish. Her work has received widespread media attention both abroad and in Italy.



WORKSHOPS

The second part of the MTGEW will consist of a wide range of parallel workshops on various topics in the field of law and evidentiary reasoning. There are four official workshops, whose coordination has been entrusted by the organization of the congress to recognized specialists. Additionally, a call has been announced so that the congress attendees themselves can propose and self-manage the organization of additional workshops on other evidentiary topics, which will be added to the programme for all participants.

Workshops will not have a simultaneous translation service and may be carried out in any language. For this reason, the definitive programme will contain, for each case, the information of the language in which it will be taught.

Workshop 1

Evidence & the European Court of Human Rights

(language: english)



Coordinated by

Sarah Summers

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Assistant Professor of Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure and Criminology at the University of Zurich, Switzerland. She was a member of the country section Great Britain and Northern Ireland at the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law, Freiburg im Breisgau, Germany from 2003 until 2017. Publications in the field of criminal evidence and procedure include: *Fair Trials: The European Criminal Procedural Tradition and the European Court of Human Rights* (Oxford: Hart Publishing, 2007); *The Internationalisation of Criminal Evidence: Beyond the Common Law and Civil Law Traditions* (Cambridge: CUP, 2012) and *Obstacles to Fairness in Criminal Proceedings: Individual Rights and Institutional Forms* (Oxford: Hart, 2018) (both with John Jackson); and most recently *The Limits on Punishment: Human Rights and the Sentence* (forthcoming 2021). She is currently working on a monograph on Fairness as Defence Rights and on a new edition of *Human Rights in Criminal Proceedings* (both to be published by OUP).



Kelly M. Pitcher

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Assistant Professor of Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure at the Institute of Criminal Law & Criminology at Leiden University. She holds an LLB in English law from the University of Kent and an LLM in Criminal Justice & Human Rights from the University of Aberdeen. Following her studies she worked with counsel representing accused at the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, thereafter studying Dutch law at the University of Amsterdam and taking up a position as doctoral researcher and lecturer at the same university. In 2016 she defended her doctoral thesis titled 'Judicial Responses to Pre-Trial Procedural Violations in International Criminal Proceedings'. Kelly's research interests lie in the fields of criminal procedure and criminal evidence, with an emphasis on comparative, (human) rights and jurisprudential perspectives.



Federico Picinali

London School of Economics and Political Science, United Kingdom

Associate Professor in the LSE Law Department. He has an LLM from Yale Law School and a PhD from the University of Trento. He teaches and researches in criminal law and evidence law, with a particular interest in theoretical approaches to these subjects. He has written on the criminal standard of proof, on inferential reasoning in legal fact-finding, on statistical evidence, on improperly obtained evidence, and on self-defence, among other topics. He has published in several journals, including the *Modern Law Review*, *Law & Philosophy*, the *Canadian Journal of Law & Jurisprudence*, the *Journal of Applied Philosophy*, *Criminal Law & Philosophy*, the *International Journal of Evidence & Proof*, *Jurisprudence*, and *Law, Probability & Risk*. He is currently working on a book on intermediate criminal verdicts for the Oxford Monographs in Criminal Law and Justice Series (OUP). He lives in Sheffield with his wife, two daughters and dog, and is a keen rock climber.



John Jackson

University of Nottingham, United Kingdom

Professor of Comparative Criminal Law & Procedure at the University of Nottingham, a qualified barrister and a Parole Commissioner for Northern Ireland. He was previously Dean of the School of Law at University College Dublin and Professor of Public Law at Queen's University Belfast. He has written numerous books and articles in the areas of criminal procedure and evidence, including (with Sarah Summers) *The Internationalisation of Criminal Evidence* (Cambridge: CUP, 2012) and *Obstacles to Fairness in Criminal Proceedings: Individual Rights and Institutional Forms* (Oxford: Hart, 2018). His latest book is *Special Advocates in the Adversarial System* (Routledge, 2019).



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Professor of Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure at the University of Basel, Switzerland. Her research interests lie in the fields of criminal evidence and procedure and international criminal law with a focus on the interests of those affected by cross-border cooperation. More recently, she has turned her attention to the impact of digitalization on criminal justice systems and the relevance for evidence law. Sabine Gless is the principal investigator on a number of research projects, including a project on (Ro)Bots *Monitoring Humans. A Digital Shift in Law and its Narratives?* Recent publications include: 'The Handling of Digital Evidence in Germany' (together with T Wahl), in M Caianiello and A Camon, (eds), *Digital Forensic Evidence, Towards Common European Standards in Antifraud Administrative and Criminal Investigations* (Wolters Kluwer, 2021) 49-86; 'AI in the Courtroom: A Comparative Analysis of Machine Evidence in Criminal Trials' (2020) 51 *Georgetown Journal of International Law* 195-253; and 'Transnational Access to Evidence, Witnesses, and Suspects', in: DK Brown, J Iontcheva Turner and B Weisser (eds), *The Oxford Handbook of Criminal Process* (Oxford: OUP, 2019) 587-608.

Workshop 2

Proof and neuroscience

(language: spanish)



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PhD from the University of Salamanca (1997) and is Professor of Criminal Law at the University of Castilla-La Mancha (2011). He has been a Research Fellow of the Ministry of Education and Science (1994-1997), the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (2005-2006), the Max-Planck Society (2008), the Hanseatic Institute for Advanced Studies (2010) and the Salvador de Madariaga Programme of the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports (2016). He has carried out research stays in Germany, the UK and Italy. He was visiting professor at the Università degli Studi della Campania Luigi Vanvitelli (2018) and Honorary Professor at the San Martín de Porres University (2019). His lines of research revolve around the dogmatic and constitutional foundations of criminal law. Among his publications, the following monographs stand out: *Prevención general e individualización judicial de la pena* (1st ed. 1999; re-ed. 2016); *La tentativa en la autoría mediata y en la actio libera in causa* (1st ed. 2003; re-ed. 2020); *Culpabilidad y fines de la pena: con especial referencia al pensamiento de Claus Roxin* (1st ed. 2008, re-ed. 2013), *Responsabilidad penal por omisión del empresario* (1st ed. 2009, re-ed. 2017), *Fragmentos sobre Neurociencias y Derecho penal* (2017) y *El Derecho penal del Estado de Derecho entre el espíritu de nuestro tiempo y la Constitución* (2020). He has also directed or coordinated numerous collective works dedicated to the aforementioned fields of study. He currently works as lead researcher and coordinating lead researcher respectively of the projects “Derecho penal y comportamiento humano” and “Crisis del Derecho penal del Estado de Derecho”.



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Professor of Procedural Law at the Complutense University of Madrid. She has a degree and a PhD from the Complutense with an Extraordinary Award for her Degree (1998) and PhD (2002), respectively. Since the beginning of her university career, she has researched different aspects of civil and criminal proceedings, works that have been reflected in her five monographs, and in more than twenty chapters of books and scientific articles. Her work on European procedural issues stands out, such as her work on the Regulations for obtaining evidence or on the European Order for the Retention of Accounts. In order to carry out these publications, she has undertaken stays in prestigious foreign research centres such as the MPI of Freiburg and Hamburg (thanks to a DAAD scholarship), Harvard University (thanks to a scholarship from the Real Colegio Complutense), UCLA (from which she is a research fellow; stay financed by a Del Amo Grant), Oxford and Munich. She has continuously participated in more than a dozen competitive Spanish and European research projects since joining the Procedural Law Department in 1998. She has been a member of the EJTN for two years representing the Spanish Centre for Judicial Studies. Along with her research work, she carries out teaching tasks at the UCM Law School in Bachelor's and Master's degrees, having obtained very positive evaluations in recent years and a recognition of academic excellence in 2020. In the field of neuroscience, in addition to giving lectures on the subject in various forums, she published a monograph on its application to criminal proceedings (Neuroscience and the search for truth and deception in criminal proceedings) in 2014. This work will be published in Portuguese in May 2021.



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Workshop 3

Proof and probability

(language: english)



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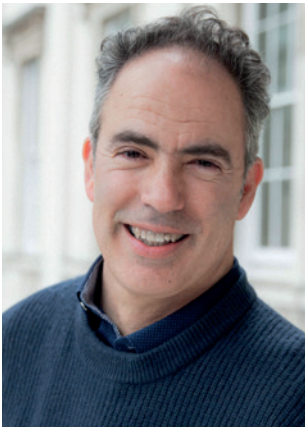
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Workshop 4

Evidential Reasoning and Cognitive Bias

(language: english)



Coordinated by
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Call for workshops

MTGEW will feature a series of half-day workshops and books presentations. We invite the submission of workshop or book presentations proposals. The aim of the workshops is to emphasize, in any language, different topics whether or not specifically covered in the main symposia. Workshops should highlight current topics related to Evidential Legal Reasoning issues. Also, as workshops will be open to attendees, the dynamic proposed (as debate of papers or panels or so) should encourage an active discussion. Besides, we encourage authors and editors of new books on Evidential Legal Reasoning matters to propose presentations and discussion sessions of their work.

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Each Workshop or Book Presentation Proposal (4 pages maximum) must include (in the follow order):

- Title
- Language
- Organizers (names, affiliation, and contact information)
- Scope and topics (max 1 page)
- Rationale (max 1 page): Why is the topic current and important?
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- Names of potential participants, such as program committee members and invited speakers (indication that speakers have accepted to participate is a plus)
- If planned, draft Call for Papers

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Proposals should be submitted as a single PDF file to gironaevidenceweek@gmail.com

Workshop Preparation and Organization

Proposal Submission Deadline: 20 October 2021

Notification of Selection: 20 November 2021

Deadline to confirm participants: 31 January

Publication of the selected Workshops and their participants on the website and openness to inscriptions: 5 February

Both inscriptions to the congress and travel expenses are in charge of every participant



Girona Conference Center

Plenary conferences, panels and short courses, which will take place between 23 and 25 May, 2022, will take place at the Girona Conference Center.



Faculty of Law of the University of Girona

Workshops, which will be held in parallel between May 26 and 27, will take place at the Faculty of Law of the University of Girona.

GIRONA

Culture and heritage

Medieval villages and old jewish quarters: The province hosts many Medieval towns: Monells, Pals or Peratallada are some examples. One of the most known, because of the spectacular bridge that leads to it, is Besalú. This medieval village still conserves a patrimonial jewish heritage of great value, with one of the most relevant Mikveh in Europe. Along with Girona and Castelló d'Empúries, it holds one of the most well preserved jewish quarters in Europe, and is part of the Spanish jewish quarter network.

In the province Girona we can find great exponents of Romanic art, such as the Sant Pere de Rodes monastery, raised at the Cap de Creus; the Ripoll monastery, whose portal is opting to be declared World Heritage Site by Unesco; or Girona's Cathedral cloister. Just next to this spot, we can admire one the most singular and special Romanic art pieces: the "Tapestry of Creation".



Nature

The city of Girona is surrounded by a privileged natural environment. It is possible to visit a multitude of landscapes of great beauty. The territory also has renowned places such as Lake Banyoles or La Fageda d'en Jordà, which have been influenced by numerous artists. The Costa Brava offers places of spectacular beauty. From great "cales" (small rocky bays along coast) and beaches, like Aiguablava (Begur) to postcard stamps like Cadaqués or Calella de Palafrugell.

Peaks around 3.000 meters and valleys like Cerdanya or Camprodon form the Girona Pyrenees, where we can find 4 ski resorts. With or without snow, you can enjoy trekking routes that reach emblematic places like the Núria Sanctuary, or for the most adventurous, the Puigmal Mount.



Gastronomy

The best restaurants and chefs: Girona has hosted some of the best restaurant in the world. At Cala Montjoi (Roses), Ferran Adrià won world fame with his restaurant 'El Bulli'. The Roca brothers took over with 'El Celler de Can Roca' (best world restaurant in 2013 and 2015). Moreover, the province has more restaurants awarded with Michelin Stars and some other ones that despite not having these kind of recognition, offer great gastronomic experiences.



Leisure

The zone receive millions of tourists every year, so it has managed to develop a vast leisure offer to satisfy any expectation. In the province of Girona there are several golf courses, four spas, a recreational-thermal center (Magma), as well as several spas and wellness centers. Along the Costa Brava there are many recreational offers to enjoy the sea and in the mountains,also, we find a wide range of activities, from skiing to horseback riding or mountain biking routes among other proposals.



Accommodation

We will soon give information about the hotels available for those attending the congress and their conditions regarding accommodation.

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The prices and conditions of registration are as follows:

- Early general registration (from 21 June to 30 November): 300 euros
- General registration (from 1 December 2021 to 8 May 2022): 350 euros
- Special registration for students and ex-students of the Máster de Razonamiento Probatorio (Master's degree in Evidential Reasoning) from the University of Girona: 250 euros
- Online registration for the 4 short courses^{*}: 100 euros
- Closing dinner at the Mas Marroc^{**} restaurant, Celler de Can Roca: € 140 per registered person and € 169,40 per non-registered companion (includes dinner and bus transportation from the centre of Girona).

All registrations to presence-based modality include lunches on every day of the congress (except Wednesday 25, as there are no sessions in the afternoon)

Pueden hacer su inscripción a través de la página web del congreso: <http://www.gironaevidenceweek.com>

^{*} The short courses have a duration of 4 hours each and will be held simultaneously on Wednesday 25 May, in the Spanish morning. For those who register in the online mode, the recording will be offered starting at 4:00 p.m. (Spanish time) on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. It will also be possible to view them later at any time for both (presence-based and online modalities).

^{**} The Mas Marroc restaurant, on the outskirts of Girona, is the area of El Celler de Can Roca for holding large events. Since 1986, El Celler de Can Roca, which was born from the illusion of the brothers Joan, Josep and Jordi Roca of becoming a haute cuisine restaurant, has received recognitions from all over the world, with three stars from the Michelin guide and considered on several occasions to be the best restaurant in the world.



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