Irish Centre for European Law

Programme
Human Rights in Practice
The Role of Human Rights on the 20th Anniversary of the ECHR Act 2003

Friday 1 December 2023
Venue: Royal Irish Academy, 19 Dawson Street, Dublin 2.

9:30 - 10:00	**Registration and Coffee**
10:00 to 10:30	**Welcome and Introduction**
10:00 to 10:10	**Opening Remarks – Advocate General Anthony M. Collins** Court of Justice of the European Union and President of ICEL
10:10 to 10:30	**Attorney General Rossa Fanning SC**
10:30 to 12:00	**Panel I – Access to Justice on the 20th Anniversary of the ECHR Act 2003** **Chair: Dr Patricia Brazil SC, Law Library and Trinity College Dublin**
10:30 to 10:45	The Incorporation of the Convention into the law of Ireland **Professor Maria Cahill**, University College Cork
10:45 to 11:00	The ECHR and Constitutional Rights post the ECHR Act **The Hon Mr Justice Gerard Hogan**, Supreme Court of Ireland
11:00 to 11:15	The Good Friday Agreement at 25 Years – The NI Human Rights Commission **The Rt Hon Lord Justice Sir Bernard McCloskey**
11:15 to 12:00	**Panel discussion and questions**
12:00 to 13:00	**Lunch**

13:00 to 14:00	**Panel II – Access to Justice and the European Convention on Human Rights**

13:00 to 13:30   The application of the ECHR in the context of commercial and regulatory law

Dr Catherine Donnelly SC, Law Library and Trinity College Dublin

13:30 to 14:00   Access to Justice in Asylum, Protection and Immigration Cases

Professor Cathryn Costello, University College Dublin

Questions and discussion

14:00 to 14:30	**Afternoon coffee**

14:30 to 15:30	**Panel III – Access to Justice and the European Convention on Human Rights**
	Chair: Professor Tobias Lock, Maynooth University and ICEL

14:30 to 15:00   Article 14 ECHR – Right to Non-Discrimination

Dr David Fennelly BL, Law Library and Trinity College Dublin

15:00 to 15:30   Environmental Protection and the European Convention on Human Rights

Professor Áine Ryall, University College Cork

Questions and discussion

15:30 to 16:30	**Keynote**
	Chair: The Hon John Hedigan
	The Hon Ms Justice Síofra O'Leary, President of the ECtHR
	Questions and discussion
	Conclusion