

The Academic Forum of the New University: Revitalization of EU Constitutionalism

Dear Colleagues and Friends of the New University,

**Monday, 14 December 2020,
From 16:00 to 17:00 (CET)**

Zoom application.....



you are cordially invited to the Academic Forum of the New University dedicated to the **Revitalization of EU Constitutionalism**. The Forum will be organized within the framework of a research project on "The integral theory on the future of the European Union", which has been supported by the Slovenian Research Agency.

Today EU constitutionalism, at best, functions as tacit constitutionalism. It is conducted in silence, this time around perhaps even without invoking the small 'c'. Why is this so? Why are the explicit constitutional questions of the European Union, even in the moments of the deepest crises, not addressed in a constitutional way? Why are these questions not approached as constitutional questions situated in a constitutional register? How can we explain the curious absence of constitutional language not just from the preparatory works for the Conference on the Future of Europe, but from the wider public discourse with relation to the European Union over the last decade, as the crises have challenged its very constitutional foundations? Could or even should this be changed and EU constitutionalism revitalized?

The Rector of the New University invites you on December 14, 2020 to an Academic Forum, in which these and other questions will be debated and the consequences for the future of the European Union will be reflected upon.

The Forum, hosted by **Matej Avbelj**, will feature a panel of distinguished professors:

- **Gráinne de Búrca**, *New York University*,
- **Neil Walker**, *Edinburgh University*,
- **Jan Komárek**, *Copenhagen University*.

The event will be held in English and will take place on Monday, 14 December 2020, from 16:00 to 17:00 (CET) via Zoom application.

We kindly ask you to confirm your attendance no later than Sunday, **13 December 2020** at e-mail address: pr@nova-uni.si.

On the day of the event you will receive a link to a Zoom meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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