SHARED PROJECT: Shared Responsibility at the EU’s External Borders
Final Conference

Universitat de Barcelona, Facultat de Dret
Saló de Graus, Edifici principal
Avinguda Diagonal, 684, Barcelona

28 September 2023

14.30-15.00 ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION

15.00-15.30 WELCOME BY ORGANISERS
Prof. Andreu Olesi, Dean of the Law Faculty (Barcelona)
Dra. Laura Huici, Vice-Director of IDP (Barcelona)
Prof. Violeta Moreno-Lax, SHARED Project PI (Barcelona & Queen Mary, (B)OrderS Centre)

15.30-17.00 PANEL 1: Action on the Ground: the Day-to-Day of Joint Operations
Chair and discussant: Prof. Elspeth Guild (Queen Mary)

- Ms Laura Salzano (Barcelona), ‘The Concrete Content of Fundamental Rights Obligations of Actors involved in Frontex-coordinated Joint Operations’
- Ms Sissy Katsoni (Bochum), ‘The (In)Significance of Operational Plans in the Determination and Apportionment of Shared Responsibility’
- Ms Cova Bachiller (Teesside), ‘Divided Authority, Collective Performance: A Socio-legal Analysis of Frontex Covert Interrogations – Assessing Undeclared Hierarchies (and the Role of the “Team Leader”)’
- Dr Mirentxu Jordana (Girona), ‘Inter-agency Cooperation: The Responsibility Implications of Frontex Collaboration with the EUAA and Europol during Joint Operations’

Stakeholder Comments by Mr Grigorios Tsioukas (Frontex, Fundamental Rights Office)

17.00-17.30 Break

17.30-19.00 PANEL 2: New Technologies (of Responsibility Diffusion)
Chair and discussant: Dr Laura Planas (Barcelona)

- Ms Merna Nasralla (Queen Mary), ‘Orchestrated Omissions: Drones, the EU, and Frontex Cooperation with Libya in Sea Rescue, Interceptions, and Subsequent Violations of Fundamental Rights’
- Dr Niovi Vavoula (Queen Mary) also on behalf of Dr Teresa Quintel (Maastricht), ‘Digitalisation: Databases, Information Exchanges and “Joint Controllership” Issues’
- Dr Valentina Azarova (de:border) & Ms Andreina de Leo (Maastricht): ‘Sharing Responsibility for Financialised Migration Control’
- Aleksandra Jolkina (VU Amsterdam) also on behalf of Dr Sarah Ganty (Yale, CEU & Ghent) & Prof Dimitry Kochenov (CEU): ‘Frontex’ Informalised Cooperations as an Example of EU Lawlessness Law: Delivering Rightlessness’

Stakeholder Comments by Ms Fanny Coudert (EDPS)

19.00-19.45 Keynote Address: MEP, Prof Tineke Strik (Greens)
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#### Panel 3: Remedies and Accountability Channels

**Chair and discussant:** Prof Steve Peers (Royal Holloway, University of London)

- **Ms Maria José Barajas de la Vega** (ICADE, Comillas): ‘Responsibility for Damages Committed in the Framework of Operational Collaboration between CSDP Missions and Frontex’
- **Mr Elmin Omičević & Dr Salvo Nicolosi** (Utrecht): ‘From Shared Administration to Shared Responsibility? The Potential of Domestic Judicial Mechanisms in Determining and Allocating Responsibility for Human Rights Violations at the EU’s External Borders’
- **Ms Jane Kilpatrick** (UK OPCAT): ‘Non-access to Documents as a Border Control Strategy? Foreclosing Remedies, Redress and Accountability Avenues’
- **Dr Giulia Raimondo** (Luxembourg): ‘Immunities in Frontex Status Agreements: The Case of Albania’

**Stakeholder Comments by Ms Amandine Bach** (European Parliament)

#### 10.30-11.00 Break

#### Panel 4: Conceptualising “Shared Responsibility”

**Chair and discussant:** Dr Silvia Morgades (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

- **Prof Violeta Moreno-Lax** (Queen Mary & Barcelona): ‘Joint, Several, or Integrated Responsibility? Defining “Shared responsibility” in EU (Border) Law’
- **Dr Joyce de Coninck** (Ghent & NYU): ‘The Rise of Transnational Cooperative Governance in EU Border Management: A Case for “Relational Human Rights Responsibility”?’
- **Dr Mariana Gkliati** (Tilburg): ‘Nexus Theory and the Multi-actor Reality of the EU External Borders: Testing the Efficacy of Non-judicial Accountability Mechanisms’

**Stakeholder Comments by Dr Tamas Molnar** (EU Fundamental Rights Agency)


**Moderator:** Ms Amandine Bach (European Parliament)

- Ms Valentina Brinis (Open Arms)
- Mr Grigoris Tsioukas (Frontex, Fundamental Rights Office)
- Ms Fanny Coudert (EDPS)
- Dr Tamas Molnar (EU Fundamental Rights Agency)
- Dr Madeline Garlick (UNHCR) tbc

#### 13.30-14.00 Closing Statement

**MEP, Prof Juan Fernando López Aguilar** (S&D), LIBE Committee Chair