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THE EPPO AND EU LAW: A STEP FORWARD IN INTEGRATION

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Topic 1 - THE ROAD TO EPPO

23 February 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-28

OPENING CONFERENCE

THE EPPO AS A STEP FORWARD IN INTEGRATION

Launch of the activities of the 2025 STEPPO Module, with the contribution of the Italian Financial Police (Guardia di Finanza)

Saluti istituzionali: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Paolo Brambilla

Introduction to the EPPO

Andrea Venegoni (online); Lorenzo Salazar; Ten. Col. Pasquale Danese; Fabrizio Capecelatro.

VR Steppo Serious Game to simulate financial investigation

Participants: Fabrizia Bemer; Veronica Carbone; Luca Pieri (tbc); Iman Khodri; Marta Ramat.

24 February 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-26

The protection of the financial interests of the EU: From the Greek Maize ruling to the EPPO

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Marta Ramat.

25 February 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-42

Why we did (do) need an EU prosecutor

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Claudio Palazzoni.

Topic 2 - THE EPPO

02 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-01c

EPPO: structure and in-depth analysis of the problems related to applicable law

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Alejandro Hernandez-Lopez; Ilaria Sticchi (online).

03 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-26

How enhanced cooperation on the EPPO began, and paid off.

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Serena Cacciatore (online); Ludovica Tavassi.

04 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | online

The EPPO functioning: a practical overview of judicial cooperation and of the role of the European Prosecutor.

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Oliviero Mazza (online).

Topic 3 - THE EPPO AND NATIONAL AUTHORITIES: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

09 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-01c

Analysis of EPPO regulation: rules on applicable law, on judicial remedies and on conflict of jurisdiction between EPPO and Member States' public prosecutors - Case-law of the EU Court of Justice

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Francesco Testa; Enrico Traversa.

10 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-26

EPPO and the EU's internal and external security

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Antonio Tanca

11 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-42

The EPPO and the authorities of non-participating Member States and third states

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Stefano Castellani; Florin Razvan Radu (online).

Topic 4 - THE EPPO PROGRAMMING 2021–24: HIGHLIGHTS

16 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | online only

The infiltration of organised crime into the legal economy and the law enforcement role of the European Public Prosecutor's Office

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Ignacio De Lucas Martin; Fabrizio Capecelatro.

17 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-26

The EPPO and the Digitalization of criminal justice

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Elena Tieghi; Federico Mamoli.

18 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-42

EPPO-OLAF relations and interactions

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi, Petr Klement (online) *tbc*.

Topic 5 - THE EPPO, JUDICIAL COOPERATION, AND INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL SECURITY

23 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-01c

The EPPO and Eurojust; the EPPO and the European Commission's Anti-Fraud Strategy

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Pietro Suchan; Fabrizia Bemer.

24 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-26

The fight against VAT & customs fraud: National tax administration actions and EU strategy

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi, Gabriele Liberatore.

25 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: “Court” room

EPPO ROLE PLAY

Participants: Giordana Ambrosino; Fabrizia Bemer; Francesca Fragassi; Alessandro Fumagalli; Daniele Luison; Michele Monopoli.

Topic 6 - THE EPPO AND OTHER BODIES JOINING FORCES

30 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-01c

The EPPO Working Agreement with the European Commission

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Emmanuel Farhat (online); Federica Iorio.

31 March 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-26

EPPO, financial institutions and supervisory authorities

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Graziano Grasso; Daniele Luison.

1 April 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-42

The EPPO working arrangements with the European Court of Auditors (ECA) and the Italian General Prosecutor’s Office of the Court of Auditors (“Procura Generale presso la Corte dei conti”)

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Arturo Iadecola.

Topic 7 - THE EPPO PROTECTING EUROPEAN TAXPAYERS’ MONEY FROM CRIMINALS

13 April 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-01c

The possible role of real estate agents in EPPO investigations: shared fight against money laundering

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Marina Palmulli.

14 April 2026 | 16:30-18:30 | Law school building: Room U6-26

Main EPPO cases

Participants: Benedetta Ubertazzi; Cap. Luca Micheli.

15 April 2026
CLOSING CONFERENCE

University of Milan-Bicocca, Law Department - Aula U6-04 “Martini”.
Streaming at <https://www.steppe-eulaw.com/>

|9:00 am-11:30 am| **building U6 – Aula U6-04 “Martini”**

Institutional greetings

Benedetta Ubertazzi; Natascia Marchei; Paolo Brambilla

EPPO: current developments

Participants: Serena Crespi; Petr Klement (online); Pietro Suchan; Andrzej Jakubowski; Lorenzo Salazar; Benedetta Ubertazzi; Sofia Mazza; Michele Vitiello.

STEPPO VR – 11:00-11:40

Participants: Fabrizia Bemer; Veronica Carbone; Iman Khodri; Luca Pieri; Marta Ramat.

|11:40-12:00| coffee break

EXPANSION OF EPPO’S COMPETENCIES

Tax and VAT

Participants: Arturo Iadecola (tbc); Gabriele Liberatore; Benedetta Minucci; Mattia Rossi

Environment

Participants: Carlo Ruga Riva; Samuel Bolis; Esther Muniz Espada (online) (tbc); Juan Manuel Lopez

Circumvention of EU Sanctions

Participants: Lorenzo Salazar; Till Gut (online)

|13:30-14:30| lunch break

Anti-money laundering and EPPO

Participants: Cesare Montagna; Giuseppe Mancini; Daniele Luison; Matteo Ianni

CyberIntelligence, EPPO and Data Protection

Participants: Giordana Ambrosino; Marco Bacini; Alessio Vergnano; Corrado Giustozzi; Col. Marco Menegazzo; Andrea Rossetti (tbc); Guido Scorza

|15:30-16:00| Coffee break

Education as an approach in preventing future criminal activity

Participants: Delfina Boni; Veronica Carbone; Francesca Fragassi; Alessandro Fumagalli; Antonella Iannascoli; Michele Monopoli; Giulia Pagani; Beatrice Pellegrino; Wisal Tayebi

Il ruolo della Procura Europea nella protezione del Fondo Sociale Europeo

Participants: Grazia Ofelia Cesaro; Giulia Varisco

EPPO Role Play to simulate financial investigations

Participants: Giordana Ambrosino; Fabrizia Bemer, Francesca Fragassi; Alessandro Fumagalli; Andrea Guarnaschelli; Daniele Luison; Michele Monopoli; Claudio Palazzoni.

Speakers

1. **Ambrosino Giordana** Law student at the University of Milano-Bicocca
2. **Bacini Marco** Professor of Omnichannel Marketing at LUM (Libera Università Mediterranea), Coordinator of the Technical Scientific Committee for the Digital Transformation of the Lombardy Region; Chair of the Cybersecurity Strategic Committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
3. **Bemer Fabrizia** Senior Manager of the Office of International Judicial Cooperation and Senior Expert trainer in EIO trainings for projects co-financed by the European Commission; Chair of the Serious Game committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
4. **Bolis Samuel** Ph.D. in European Criminal Law, Avvocato e former Lieutenant Colonel in Guardia di Finanza
5. **Boni Delfina** Head of Corporate Partnership Development and Sustainability Projects – Foundation Francesca Rava
6. **Brambilla Paolo**, direttore de La Mia Finanza e Consigliere dell'Ordine dei Giornalisti
7. **Cacciatore Serena** Postdoctoral Researcher in criminal procedural law, University of Palermo; Chair of the Interviews and Media Committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
8. **Capecelatro Fabrizio** Caporedattore centrale di Fanpage
9. **Carbone Veronica** Law graduate at the University of Milano-Bicocca
10. **Castellani Stefano** European Delegated Prosecutor in Torino, nominated to substitute the European Prosecutor
11. **Cesaro Grazia Ofelia** Avvocata specializzata in diritto di famiglia e minorile, già Presidente UNCM, vicepresidente ICALI, docente a contratto Unimib
12. **Crespi Serena** Associate Professor of EU Law, Milano – Bicocca School of Law
13. **Danese Pasquale** Lieutenant Colonel, Italian Financial Police
14. **De Lucas Martin Ignacio** EPPO – Spanish European Prosecutor
15. **De Sanna Fabrizio** Criminal Lawyer, Milan; Chair of the Criminal Lawyers committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
16. **Farhat Emmanuel** EPPO – Principal Legal Officer
17. **Fragassi Francesca** Law student at the University of Milano-Bicocca
18. **Fumagalli Alessandro** Lawyer – Chair of the High School Committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
19. **Gallace Alberto** Associate Professor of Psychobiology — University of Milano-Bicocca; Director of the Metaverse Laboratory
20. **Giustozzi Corrado** Former Member of the Advisory Group at the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity ENISA (2010-20), Member of the Board at Clusit (2015-24), Founding Partner and Chief Strategist at Rexilience, Journalist and divulgator
21. **Grasso Graziano** Director, Head of External Relations Support Division, Banking and Financial Supervision Department, Bank of Italy
22. **Gut Till** Senior Legal Officer, European Public Prosecutor's Office
23. **Hernandez Lopez Alejandro** Associate Professor of Procedural Law University of Valladolid – Postdoctoral Researcher “Margarita Salas”; Co-Chair of the Academic committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
24. **Honorati Costanza** Full Tenured Professor of EU Law, Milano-Bicocca School of Law
25. **Iadecola Arturo** Italian General Vice-Prosecutor of the Court of Auditors; Chair of the Judicial Bodies committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
26. **Iannascoli Antonella** Former Vice Dean of Beccaria High School Milan; Co-Chair of the

HighSchool committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence

27. **Ianni Matteo** Legal and Policy Officer at the DG Taxation and Customs Union (TAXUD), European Commission
28. **Iorio Federica** Contracted professor of an introductory course on Competition Law and State Aid – Collège d'Europe
29. **Jakubowski Andrzej** Rapporteur of the International Law Association's Committee on the Protection of Cultural Heritage and Armed Conflicts; Professor employed at the Institute of Legal Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw and Cp-chair of the Cultural Heritage committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
30. **Klement Petr** OLAF Director General; Former Deputy European Chief Prosecutor; Chair of EU Institutions committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
31. **Khodri Iman** Law graduate at the University of Milano-Bicocca; trainee lawyer
32. **Liberatore Gabriele** PhD candidate in private autonomy, enterprise, labour and protection of rights in the European and international perspective
33. **Lopez Juan Manuel** PhD student, University of Valladolid
34. **Luison Daniele** Chair of the Banking insurance and financial authorities committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
35. **Mamoli Federico** Civil Lawyer, Milan; Chair of the Criminal Lawyers committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
36. **Mancini Giuseppe** President of the anti-laundering Commission of the Milan Chartered Accountants Bar, member of the anti-laundering Commission of the National Council of the Chartered Accountants and statutory auditor, Partner of the OBM & Associati firm
37. **Marchei Natascia** Director of the Milano-Bicocca School of Law, and Full Tenured professor of Ecclesiastical and Canon Law
38. **Mazza Sofia** Law graduate at the University of Milano-Bicocca
39. **Mazza Oliviero** Full tenured Professor of Criminal Procedure, Milano-Bicocca School of Law
40. **Menegazzo Marco** Colonel of the Guardia di Finanza Subject Matter Expert in European Union Law.
41. **Micheli Luca** Captain of the Italian financial police
42. **Minucci Benedetta** Postdoctoral researcher, University of Napoli Parthenope
43. **Monopoli Michele** Former Dean of Beccaria High School Milan; Chair of the High School committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
44. **Montagna Cesare** Member of the anti-money laundering commission of the Milan Bar of Chartered accountants and Co-Chair of the Chartered Accountants committee and of the Editorial committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
45. **Muniz Espada Esther** Full Professor of civil law University of Valladolid, Spain and chair of the Committee European Council of Rural Law (consultative body for EU and FAO) and Chair of the Committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
46. **Palazzoni Claudio** Lawyer, Bar of Lucca
47. **Palmulli Marina** Real Estate Agent of Milan, Chair of the Real Estate Agents committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
48. **Pellegrino Beatrice** Law student at the University of Milano-Bicocca
49. **Pieri Luca** PhD - XR Specialist & Project Manager at the Metaverse Laboratory Mibtec
50. **Radu Florin Razvan** Principal Legal Officer, EPPO Legal Service; Chair of EU Institutions committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
51. **Ramat Marta** PhD student, University of Milano-Bicocca

52. **Rossetti Andrea** Associate Professor of philosophy of law at the University of Milano-Bicocca
53. **Rossi Mattia** Law graduate, University of Milano-Bicocca
54. **Ruga Riva Carlo** Full Professor of Criminal Law, Milano-Bicocca School of Law
55. **Salazar Lorenzo** Deputy Prosecutor General to the Court of Appeal of Naples
56. **Salimbeni Angelo** Law student at the University of Milano-Bicocca
57. **Scorza Guido** Member of the Italian Data Protection Authority, Lawyer Cassationist, Professor specializing in new technology law, privacy and intellectual property. Journalist and divulgator and founding partner of E-lex Law
58. **Sticchi Ilaria** Policy Officer at the EPPO, member of the IPNS (Initial Processing and National Stakeholders) unit and responsible for Italy for the registration of cases, assistance to NEDPA and EDPs, induction trainings for NEDPA and EDPs; Chair of the Academic committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
59. **Suchan Pietro** Professor of “Legislation for the protection of the economy and security”, Academy of the Guardia di Finanza; former magistrate-assistant in the Italian representative – Eurojust; Chair of the Prosecutors committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
60. **Tanca Antonio** Professor of European Union Common Security and Defence Policy – University of Milano-Bicocca
61. **Tavassi Ludovica** Associate Professor in Procedural Criminal Law – University of Milano-Bicocca
62. **Tayebi Wisal** Law student at the University of Milano-Bicocca
63. **Tieghi Elena** Lawyer, Bar of Milan
64. **Traversa Enrico** Former Director of the “Justice” Team of European Commission Legal Service; Adjunct Professor of European Law - University of Bologna; Chair of the Academic committee of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
65. **Ubertazzi Benedetta** Associate Professor of EU Law, Milano-Bicocca School of Law; Director of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence and Chair of the Steering committee of the Centre of Excellence
66. **Varisco Giulia** PhD student, University of Milano-Bicocca
67. **Venegoni Andrea** European Prosecutor
68. **Vergnano Alessio** Law student at the University of Milano-Bicocca
69. **Vitiello Michele** Forensic computer engineer, Lecturer at the “Scuola Superiore della Magistratura”

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¹ The SCHOOL-WORK TRAINING project (formerly PCTO, commonly known as school-work alternation) is an educational programme designed to allow high school students to combine their mainly theoretical school education with practical work experience in a private or public organisation in order to consolidate their knowledge, develop transferable skills and guide high school students towards their future educational or professional path. The School-Work Training programme (formerly PCTO) involves periods of professional training in companies or other activities that can strengthen students' integration into the labour market (e.g. orientation days, meetings with companies and professionals, internships, research, project work, etc.). Work experience, now known as School-Work Training, has been compulsory since 2015.