#### MEET THE PROFESSORS

# Professor dr. Radu RIZOIU



**Radu** is professor of Civil Law, teaching Legal Entities, General Contract Law, and Secured Transactions classes. He holds a PhD in Secured Transactions from the University of Bucharest. He also teaches Business Law with the National Institute of Magistracy. In his spare time, he is a practicing business lawyer.



## Professor dr. Gheorghe PIPEREA

Gheorghe holds a PhD from the University of Paris I "Panthéon-Sorbonne" since 2005, whilst teaching Commercial Law, Consumer Protection (Bachelor's degree), Insolvency Proceedings (Master's degree) as a professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest, holder of the subjects). In terms of academic activities, he also coordinates doctoral thesis in above-mentioned fields.

Gheorghe Piperea is a business law and insolvency proceedings specialised lawyer, coordinating partner of the "Piperea and Associates" Law Firm and judicial representative and coordinating partner of the Professional Society of Judicial Representatives "Rominsolv". Moreover, he has participated in the

drafting process of different normative acts, among which the Romanian Law on business difficulties, the Emergency Ordinance on the profession of judicial representative, the Law on preventive composition, the Statute of the legal profession, the Law on *datio in solutum*, etc. Finally, Gheorghe Piperea has received the "I.L. Georgescu" prize, awarded by the Union of Romanian Jurists in 2018 and the "Traian Ionașcu" prize awarded by the Romanian Journal of Private Law for the best monography of 2019 on private law topics, the commentary of the Civil Procedure Code.

### Associate professor dr. Elena LAZAR

Elena is an associate -professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest. She holds a bachelor-in-law diploma of both the University of Bucharest Faculty of Law and Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne University, a (master I) diploma of the Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne University and a PhD diploma of the University of Bucharest, in Human Rights Law. Elena is specialized in International Law, Human Rights Law and Internet Law. She is the Deputy Director of the Center for studies in International Law and transnational Law within the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest. Elena is also a lawyer specialized in Data Protection Law and Human rights Law



# Lecturer dr. Daniela DETESEANU



Daniela is lecturer at the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest and Vice-Dean in charge with International Relations. She holds a bachelor-in-law diploma of both the University of Bucharest Faculty of Law and Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne University, a master (master I) diploma of the Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne University and a PhD diploma of the University of Bucharest, in International Criminal Law. Daniela is specialized in International Law, Human Rights Law, International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law. She is the Director of the Center for Human Rights within the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest.

# Lecturer dr. Dragos COSTESCU



**Dragoş** is a lecturer at the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest and Vice-Dean in charge of long learning distance program and IT activity of the Faculty. He holds a bachelor-in-law diploma of the University of Bucharest, Faculty of Law and a PhD diploma on human rights of the same University. He is specialized in tech law, teaching the Law of New Technologies and Juridical Informatics for over 15 years now, with extended expertise in the field of tech law.

# Lecturer dr. Teodora-Maria BANTAŞ-VĂDUVA



**Teodora** is a Lecturer at the Faculty of Law, University of Bucharest, where, since 2008, she teaches Private International Law, International Commercial Law and International Commercial Contracts. She received her PhD in Private International Law from the University of Bucharest, in 2012 and is currently the deputy director of the Center for Private International Law and International Environmental Law of the same institution.

Dr. Bantaş-Văduva is a lawyer with the Bucharest Bar Association since 2009 and specializes in commercial law, private international law and alternative dispute resolution. She authored books and articles on private international law and international commercial law and is the national rapporteur for Romania on private international law for the International Academy of Comparative Law and the International Encyclopedia of Laws.

### Lecturer dr. Cristian PAZIUC



**Cristian** is a lecturer in Civil Law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest and a qualified attorney. He holds LLM degrees from the University of Bucharest (Private Law) and University College London (Law and Economics) and a PhD from the University of Bucharest, with a thesis focusing on contractual liability.

Lecturer dr. Dragos PÂRGAR



**Dragos**, obtained his PhD degree in 2018 from the University of Bucharest. He also holds a LLM degree from the same university and is currently enrolled in a postdoctoral research program. Dragos Pargaru teaches Criminal Law and Criminology at the bachelor degree level and courses on Cybercrimes and Economic Crime at the master degree level, both within the University of Bucharest, where he is a tenured lecturer. He authored books on economic crimes and criminology and multiple articles on different areas of criminal law. He is also an attorney at law within the Bucharest Bar Association, specializing in white-collar crime cases.

### Lecturer dr. Vladimir DIACONIȚĂ



Vladimir is a lecturer with the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest, and his activity focuses on Intellectual Property, Contract Law and Inheritance Law. He graduated Law School in 2010 and he has obtained an LL.M. degree, with summa cum laude, in Fribourg, Switzerland, and a Ph.D. degree, with summa cum laude, in Bucharest. Vladimir is also a practicing lawyer in Romania, with experience in dispute resolution, contracts and copyright.

### Assistant Professor dr. Victor STOICA

**Victor** is a tenured Assistant Professor of Public International Law and of International Organizations and International Relations at the University of Bucharest. He is also an Affiliated Lecturer at the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (SNSPA).



He holds an LL.M. in International Dispute Settlement from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies and the University of Geneva and a Ph.D. (summa cu laude) in public international law from the University of Geneva, Switzerland.

He holds certificates in cybersecurity and in cybersecurity and international law from Harvard and from the European Security and Defense College of the European Union, respectively.

A member of the Bucharest Bar since 2009, Victor is currently working as an Advisor in the Office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania. Formerly, he worked

in litigation and international arbitration, advising state and non-state actors on issues related to investment law, commercial law, construction and infrastructure law.

#### AN INTEGRATED APPROACH

Rapidly evolving technologies, regulatory debate, scientific research, and forms of artistic production create new legal challenges. You will be asked to question how the law can foster an environment in which law and technology flourish together. To perform this task, you will connect with, legal scholars and practitioners to examine both laws that encourage innovation and those that incentivize it by protecting advances in the field of tech law. The program has been designed for students who need to understand the policy context, security requirements, compliance issues and the overall legal environment associated with scientific and technological innovations. Students join us from all around the world bringing their invaluable perspectives to the program, not least their professional experience, and knowledge of technologies and business methods.

It is therefore particularly relevant if you come from a government or NGO environment, if you have a background in IT or science, or, of course, if you are a lawyer specializing in technology law.

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

### General theory of contracts-Smart contracts in the light of civil law

The course is designed to provide candidates with an in-depth understanding of the operation of contract law rules in the digital age. Building on the premise that contracts are the backbone of e-commerce, the course explores both the application of classic rules of contract law to contemporary electronic contracts, on such matters as the formation of the agreement by offer and acceptance, the protection of consent or payment of obligations, and the emerging law tailored for electronic contracts, such as special rules of evidence, limitations of the binding force of agreements (e.g. through special rights of withdrawal from the agreement), rules of contractual liability in e-commerce and specific rules concerning the enforcement of such agreements

#### Media Law

The course aims to address an emerging topic that is becoming more and more present in everyone's work and life: the legal relationships that arise in relation to media sources. From classics such as the transition from traditional media sources to the internet to the challenges of rule-making in the digital age, the course will analyze the conduct, rights and obligations of all participants in such legal relationships, whether they are individuals or owners of online platforms, media outlets, etc.

Obviously, there will be no shortage of sensitive issues, such as the impact of fake news, censorship, the defense mechanism against them and legal liability concerning the topics. It is becoming more and more obvious that activities on digital platforms are extremely lucrative, so we will also address issues related to specific contracts and commercial advertising in its broadest sense.

### Data protection and information privacy in digital era

This course will examine the EU data protection regime as set out in the General Data Protection Regulation ((EU) 2016/679) on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and the free movement of such data (GDPR). It will provide you with an overview of the terminology and underlying principles of data protection and address specific areas and requirements for data controllers and processors that are subject to both EU and international data privacy and data protection laws.

### Artificial intelligence law

The course introduces students to the legal and wider regulatory issues raised by the increasing use of automated and autonomous devices in all fields of life. As we increasingly allow machines to make decisions for us, this raises significant problems for our legal concepts of liability, responsibility and legal personhood. Since AI systems rely on sensors to perform their tasks, they also raise issues of data protection and privacy. The course covers both embodied artificial intelligent systems ("robots") and non-embodied devices ("autonomous agents"). Legal ramifications of these technologies will be studied also with a view on their political, economic and ethical implications

### Human Rights in Digital era

Human rights have gone through an extensive digitisation process. The context of the COVID - 19 pandemic has also helped to illustrate the importance of the cyber environment for this field. The focus on human rights in the digital age is a key element for a comprehensive analysis of them. The internet and social media have given individuals the opportunity to freely express their views and opinions. At the same time, this freedom has also led to numerous violations of other rights such as the right to privacy, the right to image or the right to intellectual property. The analysis of human rights in relation to technological developments is increasingly necessary for all legal specialists.

### Online jurisdiction in civil and commercial matters

With the continuous evolution of technology, we bear witness to the digitalization of our everyday lives. Traditional private law relations are rapidly moving onto the international stage, through cross border e-commerce, social media, digital broadcasting, online press and so on. This raises various questions of private international law, which will be addressed in this course. International jurisdiction in cyberspace cases, both in terms of the courts having jurisdiction, as well as the law applicable in such litigations, is the core topic of the course. By way of a theoretical and practical approach to the curriculum, students will be able to correctly determine jurisdiction for contractual obligations, torts, consumer disputes, intellectual property infringements, infringements of personality rights, all arising in cyberspace. The goal of this course is to offer students the legal tools to effortlessly navigate the intricate nature of the borderless digital world.

### Intellectual Property Law in the digital era

Technological and cultural innovation is of growing importance to economic prosperity. For this reason, the protection offered by the law to innovators is all the more important. This course provides an introduction to IP protection of technology through copyright and patent. The role of copyright has over the years steadily grown, not just for cultural innovation, but also for technical innovation. Copyright is of relevance to technology in several ways like for example the fact that copyright protects 'technology', such as software, databases and architecture and technical innovation (such as the rise of peer to peer-networks) affects copyright protection of traditional works, such as music and movies.

### Cybercrimes - International and European frameworks on substantive and procedural matters

This course focuses on the substantive and procedural aspects of cyber-criminality in the context of international and European legal frameworks. Different topics will be discussed pivoting between a technical analysis of the applicable offences and rules to be taken into consideration in investigative procedures and international co-operation matters.

# Cyberoperations and international law

The exploitation of certain regulatory misconceptions generated by the exponential growth of cyber operations and the implication of various actors performing in cyberspace - be it states, individuals, international organizations or corporations - is gradually affecting international peace and security. Several international organizations, heads of state, private entities or nongovernmental organizations, confirm that we face a contemporary proliferation of illegal acts performed in cyberspace. What is clear, today, is that international law applies in cyberspace. However, applying international law to certain cyber activities is not simple.

This course will provide in-depth theoretical and practical insights regarding classic but evolving topics of international law, such as manifestations of sovereignty in cyberspace, and more progressive ones such as cyberattacks, cyber-force, active/passive cyber defense or cyber espionage.

Students will be able to understand the essential legal frameworks that policy makers use for addressing cyber-operations through multilateral, bilateral or unilateral instruments.

#### CAREER PROSPECT

Graduates of our online program progress to a range of careers in law and related fields, including work in:

- Local and international law firms specialized in tech law
- International Gouvernemental Organisations
- Government/other public institutions (eg. Ministry of Digitalization)
- Transnational Corporations
- Academia

### APLICATION AND ADMISSION

# The admission will consist in a file application assessment / evaluation

#### The file will contain

Eliminatory content of the file (admitted/not admitted) - proof of knowledge of English - by means of English language certificates/attestations/proof of English language studies. In the absence of these documents, proof may also be provided by the video-cv in English.

- a) 50% x graduation average (average of years of study-GPA and of the bachelor's exam) in the case of foreign students who have not taken the bachelor's exam, instead of this grade, the average of the last year of graduation from a law school will be taken into account, equivalent in the Romanian grading system from 1 to 10.
- b) 50% x the mark obtained after the evaluation of a video-CV of maximum 5 minutes, which will address the following topics: i. the option for this master program (if the possibility of multiple options for enrolment in our master programs is maintained); ii. Practice in the field (professional or student at least one internship) and any other experience relevant to the field of the Master; iii. Interest in the field of study of the Master in relation to the desired or current career (attending IT courses or technical faculties prior to this Master, holding any diplomas/certificates in the field, etc.; iv. knowledge of English

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