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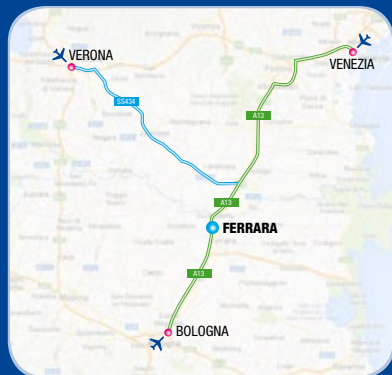
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## Consumer Sales in the Law of EU-Member States

After the Implementation of  
Directive 2011/83/EU on  
Consumer Rights and towards  
a Common European Sales Law



9-10 October 2014

University of Ferrara  
Department of Law, Aula Magna

## Objectives and issues of the conference

**2014** is a crucial year for the development of European consumer and contract law.

From 13 June 2014, at the latest, the national provisions implementing Directive 2011/83/EU on consumer rights are expected to be in force in all Member States. The directive brought about a substantial reform of the rules regarding distance and off-premises consumer contracts and introduced important provisions concerning the sale of goods. The implementation of Directive 2011/83/EU is having a significant impact on the system of most European countries and poses new challenges to national legislators. Furthermore, on 26 February 2014 the Proposal for a Regulation on an optional Common European Sales Law received strong backing from the European Parliament in a plenary vote. The most remarkable changes concern the scope of application (restricted to distance and cross-border contracts) and several rules concerning the sale of goods and contracts for the supply of digital contents.

To understand the meaning and implications of the rules introduced by Directive 2011/83/EU on consumer rights and those that are likely to be included in the Common European Sales Law, a comparative analysis of the experiences of different Member States is essential.

With this purpose, the first Ferrara Forum on European Consumer and Contract Law, which will take place in the afternoon of 9 October 2014 and morning of 10 October 2014, will bring together leading experts from several Member States. The following topics, among others, will be discussed: the positioning of the new rules in the national legal system (civil code, consumer code or dedicated and autonomous legislative act); the scope of application of the rules introduced by national laws implementing the directive in the Member States; the relationships between the new national rules and the already existing rules on consumer contracts; the relationship between the national "special" rules concerning consumer sales and the general domestic rules on sales contracts; the expected impact of the Common European Sales Law on the national regulation of consumer sales.

## Conference Programme

### Thursday 9 October

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**14:30** Opening addresses

**15:00** First session

Chair

Prof. **Vincenzo Roppo**  
*University of Genova*

Country Report - Austria  
Prof. **Christiane Wendehorst**  
*University of Vienna*

Country Report - Germany  
Prof. **Martin Schmidt-Kessel**  
*University of Bayreuth*

**16:30** Coffee Break

**16:45** Country Report - The Netherlands  
Prof. **Marco Loos**  
*University of Amsterdam*

Country Report - Poland  
Prof. **Fryderyk Zoll**  
*Jagiellonian University in Krakow*

Country Report - Portugal  
Prof. **Jorge Morais Carvalho**  
*University nova of Lisbon*

**18:15** Discussion

### Friday 10 October

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**9:00** Second session

Chair  
Prof. **Reiner Schulze**  
*University of Münster*

Country Report - France  
Prof. **Carole Aubert De Vincelles**  
*University of Cergy-Pontoise*

Country Report - United Kingdom  
Prof. **Christian Twigg-Flesner**  
*University of Hull*

**10:30** Coffee Break

**10:45** Country Report - Belgium  
Prof. **Evelyn Terryn**  
*Katholieke University of Leuven*

Country Report - Spain  
Prof. **Mauricio Troncoso**  
*University autónoma of Madrid*

Country Report - Italy  
Prof. **Giovanni De Cristofaro**  
*University of Ferrara*

**12:45** Discussion