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The annual Belgrade Summer School in Law & Economics is organised by the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, with support from the Serbian Law and Economics Association (SLEA).

The University of Belgrade Faculty of Law is one of the oldest law schools in the region, with more than two centuries-long traditions of excellence in legal education. Currently 8500 students are pursuing undergraduate or postgraduate studies at the Belgrade Faculty of Law.

The Faculty of Law provides a broad spectrum of high-quality law courses for students, including civil law and economics courses for LLB, LLM, and PhD students, as well as various extracurricular activities.

The Serbian Law and Economics Association (SLEA) was established in 2017. It gathers distinguished academics and practitioners involved in the economic analysis of law, aiming to promote the scientific movement of Law and Economics in Serbia. Among other activities, the SLEA regularly undertakes new initiatives in developing the field of law and economics, organises seminars, scientific conferences, and summer schools.

The annual Belgrade Summer School in Law & Economics features a fiveday lecture series delevered by renowned scholars. The school provides a seminar atmosphere with groups not larger than 30 participants.

This year, the course (eight lectures, case studies, and student discussions) will provide the law and economics perspective of the digital revolution. Participants will explore how digital technologies reshape traditional legal institutions – such as property, contracts, and liability – and how economic theories and analytical tools can be used to evaluate and improve the efficiency of legal systems. Through lectures, case studies, and discussions, students will gain both theoretical understanding and practical insight into the legal challenges of the digital economy.

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Lecturers

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Andreja Katančević is a Full Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Legal History and Roman Law. He earned his LL.B. in 2007, LL.M. in 2009, and PhD in 2013, all at the University of Belgrade. His teaching spans Roman law, history of Roman law, iura in re aliena, property in Roman law, and methods of legal-historical research. His scholarship focuses on Roman law, medieval Serbian law, mining law, criminal law history, and the reception of Roman legal principles in Europe. He has published extensively in leading regional and international venues, including works on medieval mining communities, XII Tables, and medieval legal institutions. He has completed research stays at the Max Planck Institute for European Legal History and Goethe University Frankfurt. He currently serves as Chair of the Statutory Committee of the University of Belgrade.

Dr Andrea Piletta Massaro



Andrea is currently working as Maître de Conférences (Associate Professor) at the Law Faculty of the Université Catholique de Lyon (UCLy). Previously, he covered the position of research fellow at the University of Torino's Law Department. He obtained his Ph.D cum laude from the University of Trento (Ph.D in Comparative and European Legal Studies) with a thesis titled 'Competition Law Between Old Goals and New Challenges. New Tools for a Multi-Value Approach vis-à-vis Digitalisation, Inequalities, and Climate Changes'. He received his degree in law summa cum laude, with academic distinction, from the University of Torino with a final dissertation titled 'Competition Defence, Private Enforcement Tools: Are They Effective?'. He spent his initial formation as trainee lawyer in the international law firm Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP's Milan office. He is admitted to the Italian bar. His areas of interest are the impact of digitalisation and the green transition on competition law, private enforcement of competition law, collective redress, the EU Single Market and its enlargement in the Western Balkans. He recently published a textbook in the field of Comparative Law (S. Ferreri – A. Piletta Massaro, Casi di comparazione giuridica, Giuffrè, 2024). He is Assistant Director of the Master in International Trade Law held by the University of Torino and the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organisation (ITCILO), in cooperation with Unidroit, Uncitral and Iuse (Istituto Universitario di Studi Europei). He is fellow of: The European Law Institute (ELI), Società Italiana per la Ricerca nel Diritto Comparato (SIRD), Association Henri Capitant, ASCOLA, Juris Diversitas, TOELI. He sits in the editorial board of the Journal of Law, Market & Innovation and the Revija za Evropsko pravo.

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Ivana Barać Milovanović is a Teaching Assistant at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, Department of Civil Law. She earned her LLB in 2017 and completed two Master's programs (University of Belgrade, 2019; University of Miskolc, 2024). She obtained her PhD in 2025, with a dissertation focused on the legal and ethical dimensions of surrogacy. Her research concentrates on family law, biomedical law, gender studies, and contemporary challenges in civil law. She has published extensively on surrogacy, posthumous reproduction, gender-sensitive family law, and the child's right to know its origin. Her academic development includes research stays at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law and the University of Saarland, supported by DAAD and SYLFF fellowships.

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Ksenija Džipković is a Teaching Assistant at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, where she has been engaged since 2022. She holds an LL.B. (2020) and an LLM in Civil Law (2022), specializing in property and obligations. Her academic work focuses on contract law, obligations, comparative private law, exoneration clauses, and the law of insurance. She has published in leading Serbian legal journals on topics such as invitation to treat, exoneration clauses, public promise of reward, and comparative perspectives on contractual limits. Džipković has pursued professional training at the University of Hamburg and the Europa-Institut, Saarland University. She currently teaches Contract and Tort Law.

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Dr Novak Vujičić



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Nikola Ilić is an Assistant Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Law and Economics (Economic Analysis of Law). During his academic career, Nikola has deepened his expertise in the field of law and economics, among other institutions, at the University of Chicago Sandor-Coase Institute for Law and Economics (2019) and George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School – Law and Economics Center (2022). Nikola is the Secretary of the Serbian Law and Economics Association (SLEA), a member of the American Law and Economics Association (ALEA), and Managing Editor of the Belgrade Law Review (BLR) – Annals of the Faculty of Law in Belgrade. Prior to academia, Nikola gained practical experience in an international law firm in Belgrade and passed the Bar exam.

Novak Vujičić is an Assistant Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Business Law with a focus on Intellectual Property Law. He earned his LLB in 2012, his Master's degree in 2014, and his PhD in 2023, all from the University of Belgrade. He teaches several courses in intellectual property, including copyright, patent law, trademark law, and IP and the information society. His scholarly work covers copyright exceptions for text and data mining, moral rights, trademark exhaustion, database protection, and online intermediary liability. His articles have appeared in reputable international and regional journals. Vujicić has completed research stays at the Europa-Institut (Saarland University) and participated in programs organized by WIPO and WTO.

Saša Ranđelović is a Full Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Economics and Business, specializing in public finance and fiscal policy. He teaches courses in public finance, taxation, international economics, applied macro-finance, and fiscal theory at undergraduate, master's, and PhD levels. He earned his PhD in Economics in 2012 with a dissertation on personal income tax reform. His research focuses on tax policy, fiscal consolidation, public investment, income inequality, digital taxation, and macroeconomic risks. He has published extensively in leading international journals (SSCI/WoS). Ranđelović has served as Vice-Dean for Finance and International Cooperation since 2015, and has been a fiscal policy advisor to the Serbian Ministry of Finance. He completed research fellowships at the Free University of Berlin and the London School of Economics.

Vukašin Stanojlović is a Lecturer at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Legal History and Roman Law. He completed his LLB in 2020, his Master's degree in Roman legal tradition in 2021, and obtained his PhD in 2024 with a dissertation in Roman Law. His research focuses on Roman private law, property and obligations, family law institutions, and the historical development of civil-law concepts. He has published on servitudes, deposits, maritime law, liability, and funerary obligations in leading regional journals. Stanojlović has undertaken research and training at universities in Banja Luka, Zagreb, Naples, and has participated in international Roman Law programs. He is also a member of SIHDA.

Brief Agenda

June 29th

Lecture 1

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Teaching Legal History in the Digital Era –
Between Text, Technology and
Interpretation
(Prof. Dr. Andreia Katančević / Lecturer Dr.

(Prof. Dr Andreja Katančević / Lecturer Dr Vukašin Stanojlović)

A guided tour of Belgrade 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

June 30th

Lecture 2

10:30 - 12:00 a.m.

Online Violence Against Women and Girls (Dr Ivana Barać Milovanović)

Lunch break 12:00 – 1:30 p.m

Lecture 3

1:30 – 3:00 p.m. *Inheriting Digital Assets*(Prof. Dr Miloš Vukotić)

A guided tour – visit to the Museum of Nikola Tesla 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

July 1st

Lecture 4

10:30 - 12:00 a.m.

Contract Formation and Performance in the Age of Artificial Intelligence (Ksenija Džipković, LLM)

Lunch break 12:00 – 1:30 p.m

Lecture 5

1:30 – 3:00 p.m Copyright in the Era of Artificial Intelligence (Prof. Dr Novak Vujičić)

A guided tour of Belgrade 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

July 2nd

Lecture 6

10:30 – 12:00 a.m.

Taxation of Crypto-assets: The Faraway

Goal of Tax Neutrality

(Prof. Dr Lidija Živković)

Lunch break 12:00 – 1:30 p.m

Lecture 7

1:30 – 3:00 p.m

Tax Evasion in the Digital Age:

Determinants, Stylized Facts and Policy

Options

(Prof. Dr Saša Ranđelović)

Excursion 4:00 – 6:00 p.m

July 3rd

Lecture 8

10:30 – 12:00 a.m.

Law and Economics of Digital Markets
(Prof. Dr Nikola Ilić / Prof. Dr Andrea
Piletta Massaro)

Lunch break 12:00 – 1:30 p.m

Closing ceremony

1:30 - 3:00 p.m

Detailed Agenda

June 29th

Lecture 1

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

TEACHING LEGAL HISTORY IN THE DIGITAL ERA – BETWEEN TEXT, TECHNOLOGY AND INTERPRETATION

Prof. Dr Andreja Katančević University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

Dr Vukašin Stanojlović University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

lecture examines how digital transformation reshapes both the methodology and pedagogy of legal history. While the discipline has traditionally relied on close, contextual reading of normative texts, codifications, manuscripts, and classical commentaries, contemporary research increasingly incorporates digital tools that broaden access to sources and open new analytical possibilities. Digitised archives, searchable databases, text-mining techniques, and digital palaeography allow scholars to compare large corpora, trace linguistic patterns, and reconstruct legal evolution with unprecedented precision.

Yet digitalisation also raises important methodological challenges: the risk of fragmenting historical context, the limitations of automated textual analysis, and the danger of privileging readily digitised materials over equally significant but less accessible sources. The lecture considers how legal historians can use technology while preserving interpretative sensitivity and hermeneutic rigour.

Participants will reflect on the balance between innovation and tradition, exploring how digital tools can enhance teaching and learning, deepen understanding of legal development, and expand the relevance of legal history in contemporary legal education.

A guided tour of Belgrade **4:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

Reading materials:

- i) Sitek, Bronisław. 1/2025. Roman Law and New Technologies – Timeless Principles in the Digital Era. Teka Komisji Prawniczej PAN Oddział w Lublinie XVIII: 351–360.
- ii) Cohen, Morris. 2/2007. Researching Legal History in the Digital Age. *Law Library Journal* 99: 377–394.
- iii) Huffnagle, Stephanie. 3/2013. Legal Education in the Digital Age. *Law Library Journal* 105: 379–381.

Andreja Katančević is a Full Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Legal History and Roman Law. He earned his LLB (2007), LLM (2009), and PhD (2013) at the University of Belgrade. His research focuses on Roman law, medieval Serbian law, mining law, and the reception of Roman legal principles. He has published widely on medieval legal institutions and the XII Tables. He completed research stays at the Max Planck Institute and Goethe University Frankfurt and currently serves as Chair of the Statutory Committee of the University of Belgrade.

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June 30th

Lecture 2 10:30 – 12:00 a.m.

ONLINE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

Dr Ivana Barać Milovanović, University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

This lecture examines the forms, dynamics, and legal implications of online violence against women and girls, including cyber-harassment, image-based abuse, doxxing, stalking, and gender-based hate speech. It explores how digital platforms amplify existing inequalities and new risks for women and girls. This session also considers international standards and ECtHR's developments, focusing on the need for effective legal remedies, platform responsibility, and preventive measures to ensure digital safety and gender equality.

After the lecture, participants will understand the main forms and mechanisms of online violence against women and girls and the ways in which digital platforms facilitate such abuse. They will be acquainted with the existing international standards and good practice aimed to fight online violence agains women and girls. Participants will also be able to articulate the key preventive and legal measures needed to strengthen digital safety and promote gender equality.

Lunch break
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

A guided tour – visit to the Museum of Nikola Tesla

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Reading materials:

i) United Nations. Human Rights Council. 2018. Report of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences on online violence against women and girls from a human rights perspective.

ii) UNFPA. 2021. Making all spaces safe.

Ivana Barać Milovanović is a Teaching Assistant at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law. She earned her LLB (2017), two Master's degrees (2019, 2024), and a PhD in 2025 with a dissertation on the legal and ethical dimensions of surrogacy. Her research focuses on family law, biomedical law, gender studies, and contemporary challenges. She has published on surrogacy, posthumous reproduction, and gendersensitive family law, and has completed research stays at the Max Planck Institute and the University of Saarland through DAAD and SYLFF fellowships.

June 30th

Lunch break

12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Lecture 3

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

INHERITING DIGITAL ASSETS

Prof. Dr Miloš Vukotić, University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

This lecture examines the emerging legal challenges surrounding the inheritance of digital assets, including cryptocurrencies, social-media accounts, cloud-stored data, online financial holdings, and other forms of virtual property. It explores how traditional doctrines of succession law - such as universality of succession, heirs' rights, and administration interact with estate contractual terms of digital platforms, privacy protections, and technological barriers to Special attention is given to access. comparative solutions and recent legislative trends addressing post-mortem digital rights and digital legacy management.

By the end of the lecture, participants will understand the main categories of digital assets, the legal obstacles to transferring them mortis causa, and the mechanisms available to ensure valid succession. They will be able to assess current regulatory approaches and propose effective models for integrating digital assets into contemporary inheritance law.

A guided tour – visit to the Museum of Nikola Tesla

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Reading materials:

- i) Banta Lynner, Natalie. 2017. Property Interests in Digital Assets: The Rise of Digital Feudalism. Cardozo Law Review 38: 1099–1157.
- ii) Birnhack, Michael, Tal Mors. 2022. Digital Remains: Property or Privacy? International Journal of Law & Information Technology 30: 280–301.
- iii) Horton, David. 4/2015. Contractual Indescendibility. UC Law Journal 66: 1047– 1082.

Miloš Vukotić is an Associate Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Civil Law. He earned his LLB (2014), two Master's degrees (2015, 2016), and a PhD (2020). He teaches inheritance law, obligations, notary law, European private law, consumer protection, contract and tort law. His research focuses on obligations, inheritance, contractual remedies, set-off, frustration of contracts, and the alignment of Serbian private law with EU standards. He has published widely, including the monograph Set-Off of Claims (2024), and completed research training in Saarbrücken, Salzburg, Vienna, and Heidelberg.

July 1st

10.30 - 12.00

Lecture 4

CONTRACT FORMATION AND PERFORMANCE IN THE AGE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Ksenija Džipković, LLM University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

This lecture explores how artificial intelligence reshapes the formation, interpretation, and performance of contracts. It examines Algenerated declarations of will, automated negotiations, algorithmic decision-making, and the challenges posed by smart contracts on blockchain platforms. Special emphasis is placed on issues of consent, mistake, liability, and evidentiary standards in Al-mediated transactions. alongside comparative perspectives emerging regulatory approaches.

After the lecture, participants will understand how traditional doctrines of contract law apply to AI-driven interactions, how automation affects private autonomy, and what legal tools are available to resolve disputes in AI-supported contracting. They will be able to evaluate the limits and potential of civil-law mechanisms in governing technologically assisted contractual relationships.

Lunch break 12.00 – 1:30 p.m.

A guided tour of Belgrade **4.00 – 6:00 p.m.**

Reading materials:

- i) Ebers, Martin. 2022. Artificial Intelligence, Contracting and Contract Law: An Introduction. 19–40 in Contracting and contract law in the age of artificial intelligence (eds. Martin Ebers, Cristina Poncibò, Mimi Zou). Oxford New York Dublin: Hart Publishing.
- ii) Herbosch, Maarten. 4/2023. Contracting with Artificial Intelligence: A Comparative Analysis of the Intent to Contract. The Rabel Journal of Comparative and International Private Law 87: 672–706.
- iii) Janssen, Andre. 2022. Al and Contract Performance. 59–73 in *The Cambridge* Handbook of Artificial Intelligence. Global Perspectives on Law and Ethics (eds. Larry Di Matteo, Cristina Poncibò). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Ksenija Džipković is a Teaching Assistant at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, where she has worked since 2022. She holds an LL.B. (2020) and an LL.M. in Civil Law (2022). Her research focuses on contract law, obligations, comparative private law, exoneration clauses, and insurance law. She has published on invitation to treat, exoneration clauses, and contractual limits in leading Serbian journals. She has completed professional training in Hamburg and at the Europa-Institut and currently teaches Contract and Tort Law.

July 1st

Lunch break

12:00 - 13:30

Lecture 5

13:30 - 15:00

COPYRIGHT IN THE ERA OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Prof. Dr Novak Vujičić, University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

This lecture explores how artificial intelligence challenges traditional copyright doctrine and reshapes the creation, use, and protection of creative works. It examines key issues such as authorship of Al-generated content, training datasets and text-and-data mining, infringement risks, and the status of machineproduced works in comparative copyright systems. Particular attention is given to EU developments, including the DSM Directive and the emerging regulatory framework for AI, as well as to the responsibilities of digital platforms and users.

By the end of the lecture, participants will understand how AI technologies interact with copyright rules, what legal uncertainties arise in AI-assisted or AI-generated creativity, and how courts and legislators are responding. They will be able to assess competing policy arguments and propose balanced solutions that protect innovation while safeguarding the core values of copyright law.

A guided tour of Belgrade **4.00 – 6:00 p.m.**

Reading materials:

- i) Bosher, Hayleigh. 2025. Two AI copyright cases, two very different outcomes here's why.
- ii) Editorial note. 8/2025. Al inputs, fair use and the US Copyright Office Report. Journal of Intellectual Property Law & Practice 20: 521–522.
- iii) Gaffar, Hafiz, Saleh Albarashdi. 2025. Copyright Protection for Al-Generated Works: Exploring Originality and Ownership in a Digital Landscape. Asian Journal of International Law 15: 23–46.
- iv) Quintais, Joao Pedro. 2025. Generative AI, copyright and the AI Act. Computer Law & Security Review 56: 1–17.

Novak Vujičić is an Assistant Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Intellectual Property Law. He earned his LLB (2012), Master's degree (2014), and PhD (2023). He teaches copyright, patent law, trademark law, and IP in the information society. His research focuses on text-and-data mining exceptions, moral rights, trademark exhaustion, database protection, and online intermediary liability. His work has been published in respected international and regional journals. He has completed research stays at the Europa-Institut and participated in WIPO and WTO training programs.

July 2nd

Lecture 6

10:30 - 12:00 a.m.

TAXATION OF CRYPTO-ASSETS: THE FARAWAY GOAL OF TAX NEUTRALITY

Prof. Dr Lidija Živković, University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

This lecture examines the complex and rapidly evolving world of crypto-assets from the perspective of tax law. It focuses on the tension between the tax policy-makers' atempt to ensure fairness and the prevention of tax avoidance and tax evasion in the crypto sphere, on the one hand, and the relentless development of technology underlying crypto assets escaping their efforts, on the other hand. This session will present the diverging approaches jurisdictions across the world adopted regarding the taxation of generation, acquisition, holding and disposal of crypto assets. In addition, the lecture will highlight key EU and OECD tax transparency developments, related compliance challenges, as well as risks of arbitrage and unequal tax treatment.

By the end of the lecture, participants will understand the key problems faced by national legislators trying to tax transactions and business activities in the crypto sphere. They will learn how the principle of tax neutrality can be helpful in this context and will be able to evaluate different comparative approaches with this principle in mind. The knowledge gained will enable them to propose balanced solutions that address the needs of their home jurisdictions, while promoting innovation, fairness, and legal certainty.

Lunch break
12.00 – 1:30 p.m.

Excursion
4.00 – 6:00 p.m.

Reading materials:

- i) Avi-Yonah, Reuven, Mohanad Salaimi.
 1/2023. A New Framework for Taxing Cryptocurrencies. The Tax Lawyer 77: 3–76.
- ii) Baer, Katherine, Ruud De Mooij, Shafik Hebous, Michael Keen. 2023. What's in Your Wallet? The Tax Treatment of Cryptocurrencies. CESifo Working Paper No. 10372: 1–38.
- iii) Parsons, Amanda. 2022. Cryptocurrency, Legibility, And Taxation. Duke Law Journal Online 72: 1–20.
- iv) Živković, Lidija. 2024. Tax Treatment of Crypto Assets Under Serbian Law – Status Quo and Future Challenges. Review of Central and East European Law 49: 446– 473.

Lidija Živković is an Assistant Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Public Finance and Tax Law. She holds an LLB (2013), two Master's degrees -LLM in International Tax Law from WU Vienna (2015) and a Master's in Public Finance and Tax Law from the University of Belgrade (2017) and a PhD (2023) with a dissertation on general anti-avoidance rules. She teaches tax law at all study levels and has authored numerous publications on international taxation, EU tax law, digital taxation, crypto-asset taxation, and gender-equitable taxation. Her academic work includes research stays in Heidelberg, Saarbrücken, Amsterdam, Vienna, and other institutions. She is a member of the International Fiscal Association and serves on multiple faculty committees.

July 2nd

Lunch break

12:00 - 13:30

Lecture 7

13:30 - 15:00

TAX EVASION IN THE DIGITAL AGE: DETERMINANTS, STYLIZED FACTS AND POLICY OPTIONS

Prof. Dr Saša Ranđelović, University of Belgrade Faculty of Economics and Business

Tax evasion remains one of the most persistent challenges for modern economies, shaping fiscal capacity, equity, and trust in institutions. This lecture explores the economics of tax evasion through both neoclassical frameworks – where individuals weigh costs and benefits of compliance – and behavioural approaches that emphasize tax morale, social norms, and institutional trust.

Accelerating digital transition impact many aspects of business operations, including the payments. A central focus of the lecture is on the transformative impact proliferation of digital payments on the shadow economy. By reducing cash transactions, digitalization enhances transparency, lowers opportunities for concealment, and reshapes incentives for both firms and individuals. Drawing on empirical evidence from Europe and Serbia, the lecture highlights how digital payment adoption correlates with declining informal activity and improved tax compliance, while also noting heterogeneity across countries depending on institutional quality enforcement capacity.

A guided tour of Belgrade **4.00 – 6:00**

Reading materials:

- i) Khlif, Hichem, Imen Achek. 5/2015. The Determinants of Tax Evasion: A Literature Review. *International Journal of Law and Management* 57: 486–497.
- ii) Randelović, Saša, Milojko Arsić, Svetozar Tanasković. 2022. The impact of an increase in cashless payments on the shadow economy and public finance in Serbia. Foundation for the Advancement of Economics. Belgrade.
- iii) Ranđelović, Saša, Milojko Arsić, Svetozar Tanasković. 2024. Estimation of the size and dynamics of the shadow economy in Serbia. Foundation for the Advancement of Economics. Belgrade.

Saša Ranđelović is a Full Professor at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Economics and Business, specializing in public finance and fiscal policy. He earned his PhD in Economics in 2012 and teaches public finance, taxation, international economics, and fiscal theory across all study levels. His research focuses on tax policy, fiscal consolidation, income inequality, digital taxation, macroeconomic risks, with publications in leading international journals. He has served as Vice-Dean for Finance and International Cooperation since 2015 and has advised the Serbian Ministry of Finance. He completed research fellowships at the Free University of Berlin and the London School of Economics.

July 3rd

Lecture 8

10:30 - 12:00 p.m.

LAW AND ECONOMICS OF DIGITAL MARKETS

Prof. Dr Nikola Ilić, University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

Prof. Dr Andrea Piletta Massaro Université Catholique de Lyon Faculty of Law

This lecture analyzes the structure, behaviour, and regulation of digital markets through the lens of law and economics. It explores the key features of digital markets and platform-based competition — network effects, data-driven market power, zero-price services, algorithmic ranking, and self-preferencing — and examines how these characteristics challenge traditional legal concepts used in competition law. Special emphasis is placed on recent EU initiatives, including the Digital Markets Act and Digital Services Act, and on the role of economic tools in evaluating dominance, barriers to entry, and consumer welfare in the digital environment.

After the lecture, participants will understand some of the main features of contemporary digital markets, how digital platforms operate, and how regulators may respond to emerging competitive risks. They will be able to evaluate different regulatory models and articulate the key challenges of ensuring fair, innovative, and consumer-friendly digital markets.

Lunch break 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Closing ceremony 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Reading materials:

- i) Manganelli Antonio, Antonio Nicita. 2022. Regulating Digital Markets: The European Approach. Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan.
- ii) Bergemann Dirk, Alessandro Bonatti. 8/2024. Data, Competition, and Digital Platforms. American Economic Review 114: 2553–2595.
- iii) De Ridder, Maarten. 1/2024. Market Power and Innovation in the Intangible Economy. American Economic Review 114: 199–251.

Nikola Ilić is an Assistant Professor at the Belgrade Faculty of Law, specializing in Law and Economics. During his academic career, Nikola has deepened his expertise in the field, among other institutions, at the University of Chicago Sandor-Coase Institute for Law and Economics (2019) and George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School – Law and Economics Center (2022). Nikola is the Secretary of the Serbian Law and Economics Association, a member of the American Law and Economics Association, and Managing Editor of the Belgrade Law Review (BLR) – Annals of the Faculty of Law in Belgrade. Prior to academia, Nikola gained practical experience in an international law firm in Belgrade and passed the Bar exam.

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Application Info

Applications

The Belgrade Summer School in Law & Economics will take place from 29th June to 3rd July 2026 in a seminar-style format, with groups of no more than 30 participants. The program is open to LLB and LLM students in law or economics. To apply, please send a one-page CV to *bss@ius.bg.ac.rs* by May 1st (early-bird deadline) or May 25th (regular deadline). All applicants will be informed of the final status of their application before June 1st.

Atendance Fee

The attendance fee for the Belgrade Summer School is 300 EUR (early-bird) or 350 EUR (regular). The fee covers all lectures, reading materials, refreshments, and one meal per program day, as well as a certificate of successful attendance confirming that the participant has earned 3.0 ECTS.

Materials and Housing

Reading materials will be available online or in hard copy at least 20 days before the start of the course. The University of Belgrade can offer accommodation in a nearby student dormitory at affordable rates; however, the number of available places cannot be determined in advance. More detailed information regarding dormitory availability will be provided upon request.

Scholarship

Two best-ranked candidates – one LLB and one LLM student – will be awarded a scholarship that allows them to attend the Belgrade Summer School in Law and Economics free of charge. Please note that **special application and payment conditions apply to students from Serbia**; detailed information will be provided upon request or during the application process.



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