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WORDS THAT MATTER: COMMUNICATION IN EU LAW

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INTRODUCTION

09.00-09.15

Jacopo Alberti - Associate professor at Department of Law, University of Ferrara, Italy and Holder of the Jean Monnet Chair *Verba volant, sed imperant?*

EU COMMUNICATION AND ITS LEGAL EFFECTS IN INSTITUTIONAL ACTION

09.15-11.00

Chaired by **Samuele Barbieri** – Assistant Professor at Department of Law, University of Ferrara, Italy

Stephania Elis Karasamani - PhD Candidate at Institute for International and Foreign Constitutional Law, University of Zurich, Switzerland

Beyond Soft Law: The Applicability of the Principle of Legitimate Expectations to Commission Communications under the European Citizens' Initiative

Marina Radovanovic - PhD Candidate at Department of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade, Serbia
The European Commission as a Normative Communicator: Concretising Article 5 of the Return Directive

Rahul Desarda - PhD Candidate at Department of Law, University of Cologne, Germany
Communicating Conditionality: EU Human Rights Discourse and Informal Regulation in External Relations

Nejat Dogan - PhD Candidate at Department of Law, Palacký University Olomouc, Czech Republic
From Strategic Communication to Legal Architecture: The EU Chips Act and Technological Sovereignty

Discussed by **Paolo Giuseppe Silvestri** - PhD Candidate at Department of Law, University of Ferrara, Italy and member of the Board of coordinators of YRP

Questions and comments from the audience

Break

EU COMMUNICATION AND ITS LEGAL EFFECTS IN THE DIGITAL SPHERE

11.15-13.00

Chaired by **Marcella Cometti** - PhD, Department of Law, University of Ferrara, Italy

Valentina Capuozzo - PhD, Department of Law, University of Naples Federico II, Italy
The Digital Dimension of Institutional Communication and Rule of Law Backsliding in the European Union: The Hungarian Case

Gabriele Rugani - Post-doctoral Researcher at Department of Law, University of Pisa, Italy
The Role of EU Institutional Communication in the Governance of Artificial Intelligence

Alessandro Tacente - PhD, Department of Law, LUMSA University of Rome, Italy
“From Speech to Governance”: EU Institutional Communication and the Exercise of Public Authority in the European Digital Public Sphere

Murtaza Mohiqi - Assistant Professor at Department of Law, University of Agder, Norway
Institutional Communication Beyond Soft Law: Artificial Intelligence and the Shaping of EU Private Law

Discussed by **Marzia Perlot** - PhD Candidate at Department of Law, University of Ferrara, Italy and member of the Board of coordinators of YRP

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