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## International CMR Colloquium 2026 Celebrating 70 Years of CMR: Challenges and Innovations

### Provisional Program

	<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2026</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	University of Bucharest, bulevardul mihail kogalniceanu 36 - 46, sector 5, 050107, Bucharest, Romania
<b>Registration</b>	(09:30-10.45)
<b>Opening</b> (10.45-11.00)	<i>Opening of the Colloquium and welcome address</i> Prof. Răzvan Dincă, Dean of Faculty of Law, University of Bucharest Prof. Frank Smeele, Chair of the CMR AC Mr Radu Dinescu, President of the International Road Transport Union (IRU)
<b>First session</b> (11.00-12.30)	Chair: Prof. Cecile Legros, Vice-chair of the CMR-AC
11:00-11.20	Dr. Olaf Hartenstein, <i>The relation between CMR and the Brussels Ibis Regulation</i>
11.20-11.40	Prof. Dr. Beate Czerwenka, <i>The NCD Convention and the CMR</i>
11.40-12.00	Mrs. Ulla Fabricius, <i>Liability of CMR-carrier for loss/damage outside CMR's scope of application</i>
12.00-12.30	Questions from and discussion with the audience
<b>Lunch break</b> 12.30-13.30	
<b>Second session</b> (13.30-15.00)	Chair: Prof. Nikoleta Radionov Karlović



- 13.30-13.50 Prof. Daniel Dąbrowski, *Are excise duties recoverable under Article 23 (4) CMR?*
- 13.50-14.10 Otmar Tuma, *Fake carriers*, part I
- 14.10-14.30 Dr. Papis Seck, *Fake carriers*, part II
- 14.30-15.00 Questions from and discussion with the audience

**Tea break**

15.00-15.30

**Third session**

(15.30-17.20)

Chair: Prof. Tobias Eckardt

- 15.30-15.50 Prof. Krzysztof Wesolowski, *Review of recent CMR-related case law in Poland*
- 15.50-16.10 Dr. Alice Kubová Bártková, *Review of recent CMR-related case law in the Czech Republic*
- 16.10-16.30 Dr. Diana Marinova, *Liability for non-performance under the CMR. Problems and challenges to application of the Convention in the Republic of Bulgaria*
- 16.30-16.50 Dr. Andreea-Teodora Stănescu, *Overview of CMR-related case law in Romania, Part II*  
Dr. Șerban-Alexandru Stănescu, *Overview of CMR-related case law in Romania, Part II*
- 16.50-17.20 *Overview of CMR-related case law in Moldavia (speaker to be confirmed)*
- 17.20-17.50 Questions from and discussion with the audience

**Closing Drinks and Refreshments**

(17.50-19.00)



## Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2026

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### Fourth session

(09.00-10.30)

Chair: Prof. Johan Schelin

09.00-09.20

Prof. Frank Smeele, *Introducing the CMR AC's Opinion 1 on art. 2 (1) CMR*

09.20-09.40

Prof. Federico Franchina, *Trends in breaking the CMR limits in CMR Contracting states*

09.40-10.00

Prof. Achim Puetz, *Forum Shopping under the CMR*

10.00-10.30

Questions from and discussion with the audience

### Coffee break

10.30-11.00

### Fifth session

(11.00-12.30)

Chair: Prof. Achim Puetz

11.00-11.20

Prof. Johan Schelin, *Time bar issues under the CMR*

11.20-11.40

Prof. Gheorghe Piperea, *EU regulations in the area of road transport*

11.40-12.00

Dr. Marta Kolacz, *The role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in CMR adjudication*

12.00-12.30

Questions from and discussion with the audience

### Lunch break

12.30-13.30

### Sixth session

(13.30-15.30)

Chair: Prof. Daniel Dąbrowski

13.30-13.50

Prof. Nikoleta Radionov Karlović, *New Montenegrin legal framework on the contract of carriage of goods by road in the digitalized context*

13.50-14.10

Dr. Guido Belger, *The eCMR and related aspects*

14.10-14.30

Dr. David Saive, *The eFTI and related aspects*

14.30-14.50

Dr. Iolande Viricel, *Automated Road Freight Transport and the CMR Convention: Cross-Border Circulation and the Reconfiguration of Liability*

14:50-15:20

Questions from and discussion with the audience

### Closure

15.20-15:30

Prof. Frank Smeele, *Concluding remarks and closure of the Colloquium*

