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Freedom of Association in Private Transnational Law: How Enforceable are the Commitments of European Companies in North America?

28 and 29 October 2011

PROGRAM

- Friday, 28 October -

WELCOME TO WORKSHOP

8:45- 9:15 COFFEE

9:15-9.30 a.m.

Kevin Banks, Queen's University Faculty of Law
Lance Compa, Cornell University

SESSION I. ENFORCING EUROPEAN CORPORATE COMMITMENTS TO FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION BY LEGAL AND INDUSTRIAL ACTION IN CANADA

9:30-10:45 a.m.

Presenting:

Legal Enforceability of Corporate Codes and International Framework Agreements
Kevin Banks, Queen's University
Elizabeth Shilton, University of Toronto

Enforcement by Industrial Action
John D.R. Craig, Heenan Blaikie

Chair: Bernie Adell

Coffee break 10:45 a.m.11:15 a.m.

SESSION II. ENFORCING EUROPEAN CORPORATE COMMITMENTS TO FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION BY LEGAL AND INDUSTRIAL ACTION IN THE UNITED STATES

11:15 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Presenting:

Legal Enforceability of Corporate Codes
James J. Brudney, Fordham University Law School

Legal Enforcement of Framework Agreements
Alvin Goldman, University of Kentucky Law School

Enforcement by Industrial Action
Lance Compa, Cornell University
Fred Feinstein, University of Maryland

Chair: Matt Finkin

Break for Lunch 1:00–2:30 p.m.

SESSION III. EUROPEAN COMPANIES IN NORTH AMERICA: PERSPECTIVES FROM THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

2:30–3:40 p.m.

Presenting:

Globalizing or Escaping European Social Dialogue? International Framework Agreements in the USA
Dimitris Stevis, Colorado State University

The Mobilization of International Instruments for the Regulation of Work and Employment: A Source of Power for Social Actors?
Marc-Antonin Hennebert, HEC Montreal
Peter Fairbrother, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
Christian Levesque, HEC Montreal

4:00 – 5:10

U.S. Unions and Transnational Organizing Campaigns: Where Do We Go From Here?
John Logan, San Francisco State University

Can Multiple Weak Ties Reverse the Social Regulation Deficit? Transnational Labor Capabilities and Multinational Firms
Gregor Murray, University of Montreal

Chair: Sanford Jacoby

- Saturday, 29 October -

SESSION IV. ENFORCING EUROPEAN CORPORATE COMMITMENTS TO FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION BY LEGAL AND INDUSTRIAL ACTION: THE EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE

8:00 - 8:30

8:30 – 10:15 a.m.

Presenting:

Legal Enforceability of Corporate Codes and Framework Agreements in France
Isabelle Daugareilh, University of Bordeaux

Legal Enforcement of Corporate Codes and Framework Agreements in Germany
Rüdiger Krause, University of Göttingen

Enforcement by Industrial Action in Europe
Kerstin Ahlberg, Stockholm University

Chair: John Logan

Coffee break 10:15–10:30 a.m.

SESSION V. PRACTITIONER ROUNDTABLE

10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

Chris Pigott, lawyer, Heenan Blaikie

Claude Rioux, former coordinator Pulp and Paper Workers Federation, CSN and CRIMT
Research Associate

Mark Rowlinson, United Steelworkers Canadian Office

Fred Feinstein, former NLRB General Council and School of Public Policy, University of
Maryland (to be confirmed)

Alan Tate, Campaigns Director, UNI Global Union, Switzerland

Chair: Gregor Murray, School of Industrial Relations & CRIMT, Université de Montréal

SESSION VII. FINAL THOUGHTS

12:15– 1:15 p.m.

Presenting:

Kevin Banks, Queen's University

Matthew Finkin, University of Illinois College of Law

Sanford Jacoby, UCLA