International Conference

Structuring Judicial Discretion at Sentencing: Current Perspectives and Future Directions

13-14 October 2017

Organised By:
University of Cyprus Law Department, Supreme Court of Cyprus, and the Centre for Criminology, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford

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Day 1 Friday October 13 Amphitheatre B108, Leventis Building, University of Cyprus

16.30-17.00 Registration

17.00-17.15: Opening of conference: Welcome and Introduction to Conference

Assoc. Prof. Aristotelis Constantinides, Chair, Law Department, University of Cyprus

Costas Clerides, Attorney General, Republic of Cyprus

Chief Justice Myronas Nicolatos, Cyprus Supreme Court President

Award to Georghios M. Pikis, Ex-Cyprus Supreme Court President & Ex-Judge of the International Criminal Court, Appeals Division, in appreciation of his life-long contribution to sentencing in Cyprus.

17.15-19.30 Keynote Addresses (Chair: Chief Justice Myronas Nicolatos)

17.15-18.00: Keynote Address - A

Julian ROBERTS, Professor, Centre for Criminology, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford,'Guidelines for Courts at Sentencing: A Review of International Developments'.

18.00-18.30 Questions from Audience and Panel

(one judge, one academic) Responses

18.30-19.10 Keynote Address - B

Andreas KAPARDIS, Professor, Law Department, University of Cyprus, “Sentencing in Cyprus: Issues and Concerns”.

19.10-19.30 Questions from Audience and Panel Responses

19.30-20.30 Reception (B108 Foyer)
Day 2: Saturday October 14: Hall 010, Social Activities Centre, Building KWD 07, University of Cyprus

09.00-09.30 Registration

09.30-11.30: Panel I: Individualization vs Structure (Chair: Julian Roberts).

09.30-10.10 Keynote Address-C

Professor Nicola PADFIELD, Faculty of Law, Cambridge University, Master of Fitzwilliam College, "Conceptualizing sentencing as a process: issues and concerns".

10.15-11.30 Presentations

10.10-10.35 Elias STEFANOU, Advocate, 'Fair labelling: Sentencing theory and practice in Cyprus'.

10.35-11.00 Assoc. Prof. Charalambos PAPACHARALAMBOUS, Law Department, University of Cyprus. 'Comparing and contrasting sentencing in Cyprus and Greece'.

11.00-11.30 Questions from the Audience and Panel Responses.

11.30-12.00 Coffee Break

12.00-13.30: Panel II: Are definitive guidelines the way to structure judicial discretion? (Chair: Andreas Kapardis)

12.00-12.40 Keynote Address-C

Sir Anthony BOTTOMS, Wolfson Professor Emeritus of Criminology, Co-Director of the Centre for Penal Theory and Penal Ethics in the Institute of Criminology, University of Cambridge. 'The Sentencing Council of England and Wales'.

12.40-13.15 Presentations

12.40-13.05 Dr. Nicholas SANTIS, President District Court, 'Mercy in sentencing in Cyprus'.

13.05-13.30 Nestor COURAKIS, Professor Emeritus, Law School, University of Athens, 'Constraints on deciding sentence severity by judges in Greece'.

13.30-14.00 Questions from Audience and Panel Responses
14.00-14.30 Lunch Break

14.30-17.00 Panel III: 'Achieving a given penal aim with a particular sentence'? (Chair: Professor Nicola Padfield)

Presentations

14.30-14.55 Professor Cyrus TATA, Centre for Law, Crime & Justice (Director) The Law School, Strathclyde University, Glasgow, Scotland. 'Smarter Justice: Four Sustainable ways of Reducing the Use of Imprisonment in Sentencing and Penal Decision-Making.'

14.55-15.20 Dr. Marijke MALSch, Senior Researcher, Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement, Honorary Judge, 'A Dutch Honorary Judge's Reflections on Sentencing'.

15.20-15.45 Petros STAVROU, Advocate, 'Encroaching on the court’s sentence: the Cyprus Parole Board under the microscope'.

15.45-16.10 Demetra Fr. SORVATZIOTI, Assistant Professor, Head of Law Department, School of Law, University of Nicosia, Cyprus. 'Sentencing drug addiction: A drug treatment court model for Cyprus'.

16.10-16.35 Stavros DEMETRIOU, Doctoral student, Law School, Sussex University, 'A critique of the use of Protection Orders in England and Wales and their relevance to the Courts in Cyprus'. Short response by Rory KELLY, DPhil Candidate, Worcester College, Oxford University.

16.35-17.00 Questions from Audience and Panel Responses

17.00 Summing up and closing of conference

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