

## 2026 EIPIN Conference

# “IP in Times of Crisis and Geopolitical Tensions”

Hosted by ILEO, Luiss Department of Business and Economics Law  
& Luiss School of Law (Master on Competition and innovation Law)

**17 April 2026 – Luiss University, Via Parenzo 11 – Aula Nocco**

	13.30 - 13.45	<i>Welcome and Introduction</i>	<p><b>Prof. Antonio Punzi</b>, Director of the Research Center Law and Investment on Future and Earth, Luiss University, Italy</p> <p><b>Prof. Christophe Geiger</b>, Director of the Innovation Law and Ethics Observatory, Luiss University, Italy</p>
		<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
		<i>PANEL 1 – Patents and Trade secrets in times of crisis</i>	<i>Chair: Prof. Anselm Kamperman Sanders, Maastricht University, The Netherlands</i>
1.	13.45 - 14.05	Inventorship Under a New Light in a Time of Geopolitical Tensions: When Innovation Meets National Security	<b>Prof. Frantzeska Papadopoulou Skarp</b> , Stockholm University, Sweden
2.	14.05 - 14.25	Addressing the health crisis and critical medicines production and supply through patent law in times of geopolitical tensions	<b>Prof. Justyna Ożegalska-Trybalska</b> , Jagiellonian University, Poland
3.	14.25 - 14.45	Politicisation of trade secret protection in times of crisis/geopolitical tensions	<b>Prof. Nari Lee</b> , Hanken School of Economics, Finland
	14.45 - 15.00	<i>Discussion</i>	
	15.00 - 15.15	<i>Coffee Break</i>	

		<i>PANEL 2 – Sustainability and IP in times of crisis</i>	<i>Chair: Prof. Josef Drexl, Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition, Germany</i>
4.	15.15 - 15.35	The sustainability crisis in IP	<b>Prof. Péter Mezei</b> , Szeged Law School, Hungary
5.	15.35 - 15.55	Geographical indications as a tool to address the consumerism and overproduction crisis: the sustainability imperative	<b>Prof. Anke Moerland</b> , Maastricht University, The Netherlands
	15.55 - 16.10	<i>Discussion</i>	
	16.10 - 16.30	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
		<i>PANEL 3 – Disruptive technology and IP in times of crisis</i>	<i>Chair: Prof. Aurelio Lopez-Tarruella Martinez, University of Alicante, Spain</i>
6.	16.30 - 16.50	Platforms and AI Regulation as a Vehicle of Geopolitical Tensions: What Model for an Ethical Copyright Liability framework for the EU?	<b>Prof. Christophe Geiger &amp; Dr. Francesca Di Lazzaro</b> , ILEO, Luiss University, Italy
7.	16.50 - 17.10	Developing Counter Rights - Synthesising Property and Personality Interests in AI Innovation and Beyond	<b>Prof. Guido Westkamp</b> , Queen Mary University, London, UK
	17.10 - 17.25	<i>Discussion</i>	
	17.25 - 17.35	<i>Concluding remarks</i>	<b>Prof. Gustavo Ghidini</b> , Luiss University, Italy
	17.35 - 17.40	<i>Closing of the of the conference</i>	<b>Prof. Christophe Geiger</b> , Luiss University, Italy