



The Upcoming Celebrations of the 100th Anniversary of the Faculty of Law of Comenius University Bratislava¹

In 2021, the Faculty of Law of Comenius University celebrated its 100th anniversary. It was October 24, 1921, when the historically first semester opened in the building of the Faculty of Law, then located on Kapitulská Street. The celebrations of the 100th anniversary should take place a year ago, but measures in connection with Covid-19 made it impossible for us. However, it is never too late to celebrate such a beautiful anniversary of the Faculty of Law. Therefore the coming September 2022 will be a month full of celebrations, which will be outlined in the following lines.

We will celebrate with everyone - with the academy, students, families, and friends. During the month, everyone will find an opportunity to celebrate.

We will start formally with an opening ceremony in the form of a formal meeting of the Scientific Council. Immediately after the meeting, there will be a ceremonial opening of the permanent exhibition "100 Years of the Faculty", which will introduce the visitor to the history of the Faculty of Law of Comenius University and individual departments and institutes, together with their members. The first week will end with a gala evening with a rich program, which will be attended by, among others, our talented students with a dance performance.

The second week of the celebrations will be opened by the world-famous international scientific conference Bratislava Legal Forum, which will take place from 12-13 September 2022, with the main theme "Rule of Law and Academia in the Turbulences of 100 years". After the presentations, colleagues will meet with their families in the middle of the second week of the celebrations at the "Legal Family Day" event, which will be full of action programs from tourism to Devín to barbecue and boating activities in the shipyard.

The third week of the celebrations is linked to the beautiful moment of the opening of the 101st winter semester at the Faculty of Law. The start of the new semester will create an opportunity for students to join the celebrations of the 100th anniversary of the faculty. Furthermore, bachelor's and master's degree students can participate in the so-called Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program. CSR will include various activities of our students towards the public, such as student legal counselling for single parents or a legal clinic for communities, where selected secondary schools will be invited to a tour of the faculty with a final lecture on an interesting law topic. During the week, we will also try other volunteer activities such as a blood donation event, in which we aim to collect at least 100 litres of blood or a collection of clothes for various cooperating organizations.

In addition, the Faculty of Law will celebrate with its partners, who will offer our students a program in the form of discussions, workshops, and various internship offers. Students will thus have the opportunity to establish contact with faculty partners such as the Public Procurement Office, the Antimonopoly Office, the Supreme Court of the Slovak

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Republic, the Slovak Bar Association, the Nuclear Regulatory Authority, the National Safety Authority or the Representation of the European Commission.

We will celebrate the end of the third week of the celebrations with the Law Olympiad, where students will be able to compete not only against each other but also against their teachers in activities of various kinds - chess, film, sports.

Against the background of the third week of celebrations, the Diplomatic Academy will also be celebrating its 30th birthday with a symposium to which several important diplomatic names will be invited and announced to the public in the near future.

The celebrations will come to an end in the fourth week, and this week will be devoted to various discussions and lectures. Guests from different fields of activity will be invited, and this week will aim to open various interesting topics, introduce (not only to students) the functioning of various institutions, or present current issues from the world of law.

The celebrations will culminate in a joint concert by Cigánski diabli and Martina Šindlerová at the Refinery Gallery, dedicated mainly to our students, who will be able to have fun with good music and dance after two years.