

European Network for Life Sciences, Health and the Courts *ENLSC*

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ENSLC website

✚ ENLSC has now its own WEBSTITE at: www.unipv.it/BIOL/ENLSC.html. Please, have a look at it and do not hesitate to send us any kind of criticism and suggestion. This is still a beta version which will be better developed and improved with the co-operation of all the interested people.

The International seminar *Science before the Courts*, Pavia (I), June 2003

✚ On 3rd - 4th June, 2003, the international seminar, *Science before the Courts*, organized by ENLSC, was held in Pavia (Collegio Ghislieri). Prof. Virginio Rognogni, Vice President of the Italian *Consiglio Superiore della Magistratura* (Superior Council of Judicature, www.csm.it) opened the seminar and expressed his great appreciation for the initiative promoted by ENLSC, the University of Pavia (*Laboratorio di Biologia dello Sviluppo*, <http://www.unipv.it/BIOL/> and the Law Faculty) and Collegio Ghislieri (<http://www.ghislieri.it>). Prof. Sheila Jasanoff gave the opening lecture, that was followed by an extremely vivid discussion on the reasons of science and those of law, from both US and European perspectives (discussants: C.Redi, S.Funtowicz, M.Tallacchini and A.Santosuosso).

We are now collecting the **papers** of the Seminar. The volume (A.Santosuosso and G.Gennari eds) will be published by *Ibis*, Como-Pavia (ibisedizioni@galactica.it). If you are interested in receiving the volume or, simply, to be kept informed, please write to enlsc@unipv.it.

The ENLSC Promoting Group meeting

✚ On 3rd June, the first meeting of ENLSC Promoting Group was held in Pavia (Collegio Ghislieri). Judges and scientists were present from **Bosnia** (Marjanovi_ Damir), **France** (Christian Byk), **Germany** (Jürgen Simon and Jan Vesting), **Italy** (Carlo Alberto Redi, Mariachiara Tallacchini, Giuseppe Gennari, Gioia Jacopini), **Romania** (Angela Trif), **Serbia** (Marija Draskic), **Spain** (Javier Hernández García and Margarita Boladeras) and **Switzerland** (Victor Gillioz). Silvio Funtowicz (**EU**) and Georges Kutukdjian (**UNESCO**) were present as well. Richard Oscar Okumu Wengi (**Uganda**) participated as representative of the *African Judicial Network*.

Amos Shapira (Israel), Jean-Louis BAUDOUIIN (Canada), Stefano Rodotà (President of the Italian *Autorità Garante per la Privacy*), several members of the **European Judicial Training Network**, Marie-Charlotte Bouësseau (WHO), Geneviève Pinet (WHO) and other people regretted for being unable to participate and showed their great interest in the Network.

Franklin Zweig and Ananda Chakrabarty, on behalf of **EINSHAC** (US) and Warwick Soden (Registrar and Chief Executive, Federal Court of **Australia**), unable to participate because of overcoming duties, sent their wishes for a successful meeting.

During the Promoting Group Meeting, future initiatives and the **ENLSC Draft Program** (see website) were thoroughly discussed with the participation of Sheila Jasanoff. The members of the **Coordination Committee** were selected among the Promoting Group. They are as follows: A. Santosuosso, J. Simon, C.A. Redi, C. Byk, S. Rodotà, H.J. García and A. Belvedere.

News & views

 ***The need for scientists and judges to work together: regarding a new European network***

An article by Amedeo Santosuosso and Carlo Alberto Redi (<http://www.hqlo.com/content/1/1/22>)

 ***Our inheritance, our future - realising the potential of genetics in the NHS.***

The *Genetics White Paper* presented to UK Parliament by the Secretary of State for Health, by Command (????) of Her Majesty, June 2003 (<http://www.doh.gov.uk/genetics/whitepaper.htm>).

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