

# THE ROLE OF PUBLIC INTEREST LAW IN DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES

ON-LINE CONFERENCE – via ZOOM

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DECEMBER 8, 2020 (CET)

## **13:00 INTRODUCTION: OPENING REMARKS**

- Delaine Swenson, Project Director
- Andrzej Herbet, Dean of Faculty of Law, Canon Law and Administration, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin
- Volodymyr Turchynovskyy, Dean of Faculty of Social Science, Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv
- Tomasz Sieniow, President of the Rule of Law Institute, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin

## **13:30-15:00 PANEL 1: The Role of Experiential Education in promoting public interest law**

- Filip Czernicki, President of the Polish Legal Clinics Foundation, Warsaw
- Maria Tsypiashchuk, Board Member of the Ukrainian Legal Clinics Association, The National University of Ostroh Academy
- Aneta Bialy, Director, Catholic University of Lublin Legal Clinic
- Khrystyna Kovtsun, Director, Ukrainian Catholic University Legal Clinic

## **15:30-17:00 PANEL 2: Role of Law Faculties in preparing law students to work in public interest law**

- Delaine Swenson, Rule of Law Institute, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin
- Alan B Morrison, Dean for Public Interest and Public Service Law, National Law Center, The George Washington University, Washington D.C.
- Svitlana Khyliuk, Associate Professor, Head of Theory of Law and Human Rights Department, Ukrainian Catholic University
- Filip Wejman, Co-Founder and Board Member, Institute for Law and Society (INPRIS)

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**Project Title:** Increasing law student opportunities for a career in Public Interest Law and enhancing the capacity of Universities, NGO's and legal professionals in the Lublin/Lviv region in the area of public interest law.

**Project Lead Partner:** **The Rule of Law Institute Foundation**

**Project implementing Partners:**

John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin  
Ukrainian Catholic University

**Planned Project Events:**

- Opening International Conference: The Importance of Public Interest Law in Democratic Societies.
- Training for law students on Public Interest Law and legal skills (Lublin and Lviv).
- Public Interest Law Fellowships for Polish and Ukrainian Law Students.
- Small Grant Program for law fellows to design and implement their own small public interest projects in Lublin and Lviv.
- Public Interest Law Career Fair for Law Students in Lublin and Lviv.
- Concluding International Conference: How Universities, NGO's, legal practitioners and business can encourage and nurture public interest law in the Lublin/Lviv Region.

**Project Director:** Professor Delaine R. Swenson, Faculty of Law, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Director of the Center for Advancing Legal Skills; Chair of the Council of Founders of the Rule of Law Institute.

**Period of performance:** 1 September 2020 – 31 December 2021

**Project cooperating partners:**



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