

THE ART OF LEAKING. BEHIND THE SCENES OF THE ASSANGE CASE

Université Libre de Bruxelles
Closed event

30th May 2016

PROGRAMME

1.15pm

Welcome / Coffee

2.00-3.15pm

**A tribute to Michaël RATNER – Lawyer, CCR, ECCHR
Didier Viviers – Rector ULB**

General introduction

>> Yves Buchet de Neuilly (Lille II) / Annemie Schaus (ULB)

Do law enforcement procedures towards Assange meet the requirements of the rule of law?

>> Chair : Anne Weyembergh (ULB)

- Relevant facts and procedures carried out in Sweden and England >> Christophe Marchand and Stella Morris (Lawyers of Julian Assange)

- Classification of sexual offences: gender issues and “raison d'état”

>> Panel discussion : Christoffer Wong (Lund University) / Pascale Vielle (UCL)

- Blind spots of the procedure : access to the file in the preliminary phase of the criminal proceedings – judicial review of the arrest warrant and of its execution – risks of transfer to the United States

>> Panel discussion : Christoffer Wong (Lund University) / Ralph Wilde (UCLondon) / Alex Tinsley (LEAP, Fair Trials International) / Liora Lazarus (Oxford University) / Vania Costa Ramos (Lawyer, ECBA)

3.15-4.15pm

Is Assange deprived of liberty in the Ecuadorian embassy?

>> Chair : Anne Lagerwall (ULB)

- Relevant facts and procedure >> Carey Shenkman (First Amendment NYork, Lawyer of Julian Assange)

- Confinement in the Ecuadorian embassy: detention under inhuman and degrading conditions or free will of Assange ?

>> Panel discussion : Mads Andenas (Former Chair of the UN WGAD, Oslo University) / Julien Pieret (ULB) / Liora Lazarus (Oxford University) / Christian Olsson (ULB) / Nicolas Angelet (ULB)



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4.30-6.00pm

What is at stake in the Assange case?

>> Chair : Barbara Delcourt (ULB)

- Wikileaks : a new form of political resistance?

>> Panel discussion : Sarah Harrisson (journalist, WikiLeaks section editor) / Rocco Bellanova (Peace Research Institute Oslo) / Julien Jeandesboz (ULB) / Christophe Wasinski (ULB) / Jean-Yves Pranchère (ULB) / Geoffroy de Lagasnerie (philosopher and sociologist)

- Impact of mass surveillance on citizens' freedom. Are whistleblowers a new category of vulnerable people ?

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- Address by Julian Assange and debate

Cocktail reception