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## Bingham Centre Events

### Oversight of the Rule of Law in the European Union: Opportunities and Challenges

**Mon 16 Jan 2017**  
**16:00-19:00**  
(Registration from 15.30)

Followed by a  
drinks reception

British Institute of  
International and  
Comparative Law,  
Charles Clore House,  
17 Russell Square,  
London WC1B 5JP

**2.5 CPD hours**

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This event will provide the opportunity to hear leading experts consider the challenges and opportunities for rule of law oversight in the EU and the role of various EU institutions, including an analysis of the Commission's new Rule of Law Framework and the Council's new Rule of Law Dialogue. In addition, country experts will assess the situation in selected member states, with a particular focus on developments in Hungary and Poland. Speakers will also consider what lies ahead, amid recent calls for a new binding EU mechanism to monitor the state of democracy, rule of law and fundamental rights in the member states.

The event is being held to launch a new book on the topic, '[Reinforcing Rule of Law Oversight in the European Union](#)' (Cambridge University Press, 2016) edited by Prof Carlos Closa (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC), Madrid) and Prof Dimitry Kochenov (University of Groningen, The Netherlands).

#### Speakers

- **Dr Petra Bárd** (Central European University, Budapest, Hungary)
- **Prof Ernst Hirsch Ballin** (Tilburg University; University of Amsterdam; and Former Minister of Justice and Interior Affairs, The Netherlands)
- **Prof Carlos Closa** (Institute for Public Goods and Policies (IPP) at the Spanish National Research Council, Madrid (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC))
- **Prof Dimitry Kochenov** (Chair in EU Constitutional Law, University of Groningen, The Netherlands)
- **Prof Tomasz Tadeusz Konciewicz**. (University of Gdańsk, Poland)
- **Prof Kalypso Nicolaidis** (Professor of International Relations and Director of the Centre for International Studies, University of Oxford)
- **Prof Laurent Pech** (Professor of European Law, Jean Monnet Chair of European Public Law (2014-17) and Head of the Law and Politics Department at Middlesex University London)
- **Natacha Kazatchkine** (Senior Policy Analyst, Open Society European Policy Institute)

The event is convened by **Prof Dimitry Kochenov** (University of Groningen, The Netherlands), and **Lucy Moxham** and **Justine Stefanelli** (Associate Senior Research Fellows at the Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law).

#### Pricing and Registration

Members:		Non-members:	
Individual	£40	Individuals	£70
Full-time Academic	£25	Full-time Academic	£45
Full-time Student	£15	Full-time Student	£25

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