

*FACULTY OF LAW*

*STRATEGIC SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH  
PROGRAMME FOR THE PERIOD 2021–2025*

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## 1. Introduction

The Strategic Scientific Research Programme is a document created to further the Faculty's mission and vision by setting scientific goals conditioned by selecting priority scientific areas and topics, indicating guidelines for their achievement, and stating their scientific and social relevance. The document refers to the next five-year period, from 2021 to 2025, and aims to further elevate the scientific research, teaching, and professional profile that the Faculty has been building within the university community and the broader context since it was founded.

The faculty was founded in 1776. Since its beginnings, the Faculty has been set up to support the **educational, scientific-research, and international dimensions**. This was evident from the outset, as the Faculty stressed the importance of international scientific cooperation and professional activities by ensuring its lecturers and students acquire education or additional training on various grounds at recognised faculties abroad. International cooperation solidified after the Republic of Croatia was established, when lecturers became increasingly involved in the work of foreign scientific institutions and began fostering cooperation with scientists in other countries, Faculty students started increasingly participating in regular exchange programs at foreign faculties, and the numbers of visiting international students visiting the Faculty started showing tendencies of rapid growth. The Faculty has been accumulating know-how and experience during its prolonged existence and, as the country's oldest and largest law faculty, it has asserted itself as **a leader in improving legal education and practice in Croatia** and as a guardian and promoter of Croatian legal culture as part of the Central European legal tradition. The commitment to researching different aspects of law and other law-related disciplines is mainly reflected in the Faculty's numerous scientific projects and a noticeable number of scientific papers published that its scientists and associates have published. The Faculty's institutional significance is also evident in its substantial publishing activities, which include several scientific journals.

The Faculty has had an essential role in developing legal education in a broader European context from the very beginning. It has established itself as a centre of excellence with a distinctive identity and well-established international cooperation. Aware of the Faculty's former role and its position in modern-day society, lecturers nourish its rich tradition while further contributing to creating the Croatian legal system, establishing the rule of law, and forming new generations of lawyers

according to the best European legal traditions. Performing educational and scientific research activities in the field of law, social work, and public administration, the Faculty has remained permanently committed to the **implementation of activities to improve and perfect teaching, scientific research and professional activities and contribute to the development of society following high-quality standards.**

The Strategic Scientific Research Programme is a document containing an analysis of the Faculty's scientific and research potential, compliance with selected EU and national strategic documents, a list of research topics and areas that form the backbone of the strategic programme, and goals and measures or performance indicators for their implementation. Goals and measures are based, *inter alia*, on a performed SWOT analysis: analysis of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats. As a scientific and educational institution, the University of Zagreb Faculty of Law has prepared this document to improve its scientific and research activities in an appropriate and timely manner, but also to enhance its social role and continue contributing to finding solutions to the challenges of the rule of law, developing the judiciary, legal culture, social activities, the economy and all social activities for the benefit of all Croatian citizens.

## 2. Mission and Vision

### 2.1 Mission

The mission of the University of Zagreb Faculty of Law is to educate competent experts in the field of law, social work, social policy, and public administration, who will use their knowledge and skills to improve the practice, education, and scientific research in these fields. For many years, the Faculty has had the opportunity to enrol the best students from all over Croatia, which encourages the continuous development of study programmes based on the latest scientific and research results, the highest professional standards, and ethical principles. In this sense, the Faculty of Law also creates a stimulating intellectual environment. Within the framework of teaching and scientific activities and professional work in the scientific field covered by the study programmes, the Faculty of Law carries out several (international) scientific and expert projects and feasibility

studies, organises national and international scientific and professional meetings and conferences, and offers professional lifelong learning and training programmes for the interested internal and external stakeholders. The Faculty also carries out additional activities that support the above primary activities, which are carried out on a smaller scale and ensure the higher education system's integrity and required standard and the highest level of organisation and public accountability.

## 2.2. Vision

The vision of the University of Zagreb Faculty of Law is to continue, in accordance with the principles of excellence, to be the leading regional higher education and scientific institution in its field. Furthermore, the vision of the Faculty of Law is based on:

- **further strengthening cooperation with the institutions of the European Research Area and the European Higher Education Area**
- **continuously improving the teaching process based on new scientific knowledge,**
- **developing structured and more systematic cooperation with the local community, the economy, state judicial, legislative, and executive authorities, civil society institutions, and**
- **discovering and pursuing common interests in exploiting and transferring the positive effects of developing and improving the valuable and practically applicable knowledge and skills at the Faculty.**

It is possible for the Faculty to realise its vision at the institutional level only if it acts as a dynamic, critical, and engaged higher education institution, open to social, scientific, and educational changes, but also an academically autonomous and ideologically independent scientific and educational organisation. In doing so, the valorisation of the existing and future human capital is the fundamental value and the guarantor of success in achieving the Faculty's assumed mission and accepted vision. Based on the above, it is necessary to continue to encourage mobility and institutional support in the development of lifelong research careers of scientists and lecturers, responsibly apply the acts on quality assurance as a form of support and encouragement to all activities of the Faculty that we believe lead to the acquisition of valuable talents, skills, and

knowledge while witnessing the efforts of all stakeholders who make up the human capital of the Faculty. The following values of the Faculty of Law contribute to achieving the mission and vision more effectively:

- commitment to the highest scientific research standards in the field of social sciences
- inclusion in the Central European circle of higher education institutions
- development of the highest research and ethical principles
- competent lecturers who are leaders in their scientific and professional areas in the Republic of Croatia and beyond and who enjoy a national, regional, and international reputation
- competent lecturers who perform the highest state duties in the Republic of Croatia and are very highly positioned within reputable international bodies
- the tradition and reputation of the Faculty of Law that guarantee an elevated level of quality in teaching, science, research, and practice
- teaching and research activity that prepares students and doctoral students to meet the challenges of the labour market and its changing environment.

### **3. SWOT analysis**

The SWOT analysis is the basis for determining strategic goals and activities by analysing the strengths and weaknesses of the Faculty of Law and opportunities and threats from the environment.

#### **STRENGTHS:**

- the most respected higher education institution in the field of law in the Republic of Croatia and the region
- the most numerous, highest-quality, and most scientifically productive teaching capacity in the Republic of Croatia

- a large number of published scientific and professional papers, participation in national and international scientific conferences, and application of research results in practice
- partnership with a large number of foreign and Croatian universities
- partner relationship with public and private institutions, state bodies and companies and companies in public and private sectors
- existing activities in international scientific projects and research networks
- quality working conditions and professional development opportunities
- quality access to scientific literature and databases
- sound state of computer equipment and computer programs
- excellent availability of literature for research
- established quality publishing support
- higher education institution with the longest tradition of education in the field of social work in the Republic of Croatia
- institution offering vertical mobility and interdisciplinary professional education in the area of public administration
- constant interest in studies at the Faculty of Law
- distinguished role of the Faculty of Law and its employees in society
- advanced faculty infrastructure: library, halls, IT equipment.

## **WEAKNESSES:**

- incomplete system of obtaining feedback from the labour market on the quality and needs of modification and adaptation of learning outcomes of study programmes
- generationally insufficiently harmonised structure of lecturers and associates
- insufficiently developed system and culture of participation in European and other international projects and publishing results in prestigious global publications
- insufficient use of modern, specific knowledge, skills, and methods of scientific research, as well as teaching technologies and methods
- an incomplete system of professional administrative support for the application, monitoring, and reporting of scientific research projects, including those at the European level.

## **OPPORTUNITIES:**

- increasing the mobility of students, doctoral students, and employees
- increased participation in projects financed by the European Union
- encouraging the publication of quality papers and scientific papers in journals with a high impact factor
- increasing international and regional recognition through quality university programmes, postgraduate joint studies, courses, and study programmes in English
- (re)defining learning outcomes, competencies, and qualifications at the level of study programmes and courses
- long-standing cooperation with external stakeholders and employers
- increased cooperation with prominent European universities through international projects
- strengthening ties with the Faculty alumni
- implementing and encouraging the utilisation of new lifelong learning programmes
- better integration of different scientific fields and launching interdisciplinary projects with other universities and scientific institutions
- launching a new doctoral study programme in legal sciences.

## **THREATS:**

- insufficient funding from the state budget
- increased administrative requirements by various institutions in the field of science and higher education
- uncertainty of institutional changes in the environment
- an institutional framework that imposes unnecessarily long and complex bureaucratic procedures
- low interest of the economy in research projects
- the dominance of regional development criteria over research excellence criteria in the allocation of funds from the state budget
- underdeveloped awareness of the position and role of legal disciplines

- inconsistency of the science system with the need for developing a knowledge-based society.

#### 4. Compliance with EU and national strategy documents

The Strategic Scientific Research Programme is in line with the European and national strategic documents, namely Europe 2020 – A Strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, the Education, the Strategy for Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Croatia, the Croatian Research and Innovation Infrastructures Roadmap, the Strategy for innovation encouragement of Croatia 2014–2020 and the Research, Technology Transfer and Innovation Strategy of the University of Zagreb.

- *The EU Strategic Agenda 2019–2024* (protecting citizens and freedoms, developing a strong and dynamic economic base, building a climate-neutral, green, fair, and social Europe, promoting European interests and values in the world) and *the European Commission's priorities*
- *The National Development Strategy 2030 of the Republic of Croatia*
- *The Croatian Research and Innovation Infrastructures Roadmap*. In line with the Research and Innovation Infrastructures Roadmap, new knowledge and innovation can only be developed in an environment with adequate research infrastructure. Furthermore, the Roadmap emphasises that the concept of infrastructure also includes knowledge centres providing services to the broader research community based on a set of specific knowledge, techniques, and skills. Therefore, the Faculty's Strategic Scientific Research Programme's primary goal is to improve scientific infrastructure.
- *Strategy for Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Croatia*. The Strategy for Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Croatia highlights education and science as development priorities that bring long-term social stability, economic progress, and cultural identity assurance. Learning through research provided by universities is a crucial facet in implementing measures to achieve the goals of the Strategy. The Faculty's Strategic Programme takes on an active role in transferring innovation from science to the economy. It plays an integral part in the education system

by creating competitive predisposition and raising the quality of knowledge, skills, and competencies for further interaction at social and economic levels.

- *The Strategy for innovation encouragement of Croatia 2014–2020*. The Strategic Scientific Research Programme is in line with the objectives and thematic pillars of the Strategy for innovation encouragement. These documents coincide in developing the innovation system of the Republic of Croatia, strengthening the innovation potential of the economy (particularly in the protection of intellectual property and technology transfer), reinforcing cooperation and knowledge flow between the business, public and scientific research sectors, enhancing human capacities for research, technological development, and innovation, and creating a stimulating environment for internationally competitive researchers.
- *Research, Technology Transfer, and Innovation Strategy of the University of Zagreb*. The goals of the Strategic Scientific Research Programme are in line with the principal and immediate objectives of the Strategy, which includes encouraging academic excellence, creating a stimulating research environment, developing international cooperation and networking, fostering the application and management of international projects, encouraging more extensive and ambitious research projects, systematically conducting international evaluation, ranking, and benchmarking of the University, establishing a system for introducing young researchers into the work of the University, and developing and strengthening the innovation role of the University.

## 5. Scientific research potential of the Faculty

### 1. *Strong human research capital*

The Faculty employs 164 professionals with research and teaching titles who enable doctoral students to achieve scientific research excellence with their scientific productivity, networking, and recognisable expert and general professional engagement in many essential areas of social

activities in Croatia, the European Union and worldwide. In particular, this is a consequence of the Faculty's extensive recent participation in research projects in the field of legal sciences and our lecturers' appointments in the international research space, in various bodies of commercial entities and public administration, in expert groups for drafting laws and regulations, and at the European Court of Human Rights, the courts of the European Union, the United Nations, etc.

The Strategic Scientific Research Programme for the period 2015–2019 (source: *Self-analysis of the University of Zagreb Faculty of Law*) envisaged, *inter alia*, that research would result in:

- at least 423 scientific articles published in national and international publications
- at least 327 appearances at scientific conferences at home and abroad with the aim of presenting research results
- at least 9 conferences organised to present research results
- at least 21 books (textbooks, monographs, collection of papers)
- at least 15 studies, proposals of measures, and other strategic documents
- at least 10 proposals to change the existing legal regime
- at least 5 doctoral dissertations.

However, the indicative data collected in the last five years show significantly higher achievements of the Faculty:

**1024** papers of **the highest category** were published in accordance with the Regulations on the Conditions for Election to Scientific Titles, of which **90** were in cooperation with other higher education institutions and scientific organisations.

**414** papers were published as part of the "other papers" category, in accordance with the Regulations on the Conditions for Election to Scientific Titles, of which **26** in cooperation with other higher education institutions and scientific organisations.

**15** books penned by a foreign author, **35** books penned by a Croatian author, **9** of which in cooperation with other higher education institutions and scientific organisations, **455** chapters in books, **23** of which are the result of inter-institutional cooperation, **38** book editorials, **5** of which in cooperation with other higher education institutions and scientific organisations.

In total, **106** professional papers were published, **8** of which in cooperation with other higher education institutions and scientific organisations, and about **235** peer-reviewed papers from scientific conferences, **31** of which in inter-institutional cooperation.

Out of the total number of published papers, **194** were published in journals of the Faculty (Collected papers of the Faculty of Law – 79, Zagreb Law Review – 17, Croatian Yearbook of European Law and Policy – 9, Croatian Journal of Social Policy – 26, Annual of Social Work – 29, Croatian and Comparative Public Administration – 34).

The Faculty employees are leaders or members of about **250** scientific projects.

The Faculty hosted or co-hosted more than **60** international and regional conferences with other national and international entities.

More than **60** doctoral dissertations were defended.

## *2. A large number of international cooperation agreements at the European, regional, and global level*

The Faculty's most developed segment of international cooperation is its international cooperation within Europe and especially in the European Union. This is primarily the result of the cooperation with partners from the European Union and the countries of the European Research Area taking place within the Erasmus+ programme, which provides the external (extracurricular) funding for this cooperation. Of the 123 Erasmus+ bilateral agreements, as many as 119 refer to partners from European Union countries and European Research Area member states. Despite a large number of existing active cooperation agreements, the Faculty seeks to expand its cooperation with partners from those countries where the degree of said cooperation has not reached the desired level. In this regard, intensive negotiations are underway to expand cooperation with the Swiss institutions and the institutions of the United Kingdom and Ireland. The Faculty has recently signed a cooperation agreement with the Europa Institut of the University of Zurich, thus marking the first step in the institutionalisation of cooperation between the Faculty and the University of Zurich, which should be followed by the conclusion of an Erasmus+ agreement. The Faculty is also negotiating an Erasmus+ agreement with the Faculty of Law of the University of Hull, UK, among several other universities in the United Kingdom and Ireland. With the successful completion of negotiations on

Erasmus+ cooperation agreements with institutions from these countries, the Faculty would essentially complete its international cooperation network in Europe.

The Faculty participates in the Jean Monnet Programme, an integral part of the Erasmus+ programme. The Jean Monnet programme recognises research and teaching excellence and enables networking with other stakeholders in Europe and the world. The Faculty currently hosts the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence *EU Global Leadership in the Rule of Law*, which, in addition to researching the concept of the rule of law, conducts several teaching activities, organises international conferences, as well as a series of guest lectures titled the *Jean Monnet Lecture Series* that count on the participation of distinguished professors from European and global higher education institutions and judges of the Court of Justice of the European Union.

Due to the recognised quality of teaching and scientific work at the Faculty, in 2015 the Faculty was invited to join the CIEL network (Certificate in Comparative, International and European Law) that counts the University of Antwerp, University College Dublin, Maastricht University, Universität Mannheim, Universitat Pompeu Fabra Barcelona, Université de Toulouse 1 Capitole among its members, and which aims to cooperate in the field of comparative, international and European law.

There are also two UNESCO Chairs at the Faculty. Since its founding in 2014, the UNESCO Chair on Free Movement of People, Migration and Inter-Cultural Dialogue has been conducting a series of internationally recognised research, teaching and international cooperation activities in areas related to the freedom of movement of EU citizens, migration and asylum.

The UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights was founded in 2010. Ever since World Bioethics Day started being internationally celebrated, the Faculty of Law in Zagreb has been actively engaged in creating thematic celebrations. We wish to emphasise that the Croatian form of celebrating this day is accepted worldwide as a model that includes interdisciplinarity and active student roles. The UNESCO Chair also fosters the study of medical law, i.e., bioethics and human rights, supports research and organises conferences on important topics that prepare students for their work in the digital age, in a time when artificial intelligence plays an increasing role.

Apart from long-term multilateral/bilateral cooperation agreements, the Faculty develops cooperation in the implementation of specific programmes such as:

- postgraduate courses at the Inter University Centre Dubrovnik, which our Faculty's lecturers have been conducting or participating in for many years
- collaboration between the Faculty and the University of Oxford in the implementation of the *Freedom of Expression Law Clinic*
- cooperation between the Faculty and the Faculté de Droit & IPAG, Université de Valenciennes, France, organised by the Cogito Hubert Curien project *Good Local Governance - local public services in France and Croatia in the context of the European subsidiarity principle*
- cooperation between the Faculty's Study Centre for Public Administration and Public Finance and the French Lille 2 University in the implementation of two projects - the *Observatory of Local Autonomy* and *Establishing an Operational Typology of Local Governmental Systems in Europe*.

In its Central European environment, the Faculty is particularly successful in cooperating with the faculties of law from Maribor and Graz within the postgraduate study organised by the so-called Joint Seminar – Legal Harmonisation with the EU Law: The Case of Croatia, Slovenia, and Austria – Selected Topics. As of lately, the scientific-teaching collaboration has been particularly intensive with the University of Vienna Faculty of Law of the Faculty of Law of the Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest, especially in the field of legal history. The Faculty also conducts a joint doctoral study with the University of Padua.

In addition to cooperating with partner institutions from the European Union, the Faculty has developed cooperation with institutions from other European countries that do not belong to the European Union, such as the Lomonosov Moscow State University, the most influential university in Russia. Furthermore, since 2013, the Faculty has intensified its cooperation with the Faculty of Law of the University of Istanbul, the largest and most influential law faculty in Turkey.

In terms of cooperation with partner institutions from other continents, we wish to highlight the ongoing cooperation with universities from the United States (DePaul, Penn) and universities from China (Hong Kong, Bishkek). The Faculty had successfully collaborated with the Indiana University School of Law on the Law Summer Programme for a number of years. Still, this collaboration came to an end in 2009 due to the lack of financing. Since 2010, the Faculty has intensely collaborated with the University of Pittsburgh School of Law and the Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center in organising the *Institute of International Commercial Law and*

*Dispute Resolution*, a programme accredited by the American Bar Association. The cooperation with the University of Pittsburgh School of Law entails organising American professors' guest lectures at the Faculty and vice versa. Despite the lack of a formal cooperation agreement, we have enjoyed a successful collaboration in lecturer exchange with Fordham University, the University of Michigan Law School, and Yale University, where a number of doctoral students have been educated. In 2013, the Faculty signed a cooperation agreement with the East China University of Political Science and Law in Shanghai. This was the Faculty's first cooperation agreement with a Chinese university, but it was followed shortly by one with the China University of Political Science and Law in Beijing.

### *3. Faculty's involvement in international scientific and professional organisations*

The Faculty strives to build its international recognition by joining various professional associations. In addition to being a member of the Rotterdam Law Network, the European Law Faculties Association and the South East European Law Schools Network, in 2014 the Faculty became a member of the European Law Institute, an association studying European law, which, apart from individual members, offers membership to various institutions dealing with the law. The faculty is also a member of the International Academy of Comparative Law, the world's most influential association for comparative law, the International Political Science Association (IPSA), the European Group of Public Administration (EGPA) and the Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe (NISPACEe).

The Faculty has entered into several multilateral and bilateral cooperation projects to achieve its regional goals in recent years. Since 2011, the Faculty has thus been participating in the so-called SEELS (South Eastern European Law Schools) network, which includes 13 law faculties from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Croatia, Macedonia, and Serbia. The SEELS Network is focused on cooperation in the field of scientific research and the development of joint teaching content.

*South-Eastern European Studies*, the interdisciplinary joint postgraduate programme carried out by the Faculty in cooperation with its partners, the University of Belgrade Faculty of Political Science, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, University of Ljubljana, University of

Novi Sad, University of Poitiers, University of Sarajevo, South East European University in Tetovo, University of Graz and the University of Bologna, certainly represents a link between the various macro-regions to which Croatia belongs.

Similarly, the *Balkan Criminology*, a network built on the Max-Planck Partner Group platform, co-founded in 2013 by the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law in Freiburg and the Faculty, is the only network of its kind established by the Max Planck Institute in Freiburg outside Western Europe. The *Balkan Criminology* network, located at the Faculty, brings together partners from Slovenia, Hungary, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Romania, Serbia, Kosovo, Montenegro, Macedonia, Greece, Albania, and Turkey and represents a central place for comparative criminological research in this region.

The University of Zagreb Faculty of Law has been a full member of the *Children's Rights European Academic Network* - CREAN since 2012. The network was founded in 2003 with the aim of encouraging academic activities in the interdisciplinary field of children's rights. Today, CREAN connects more than thirty European higher education and science institutions that cooperate in developing education and research on children's rights. The Network's Coordination Office is located in the Centre for Children's Rights Studies at the University of Geneva.

The Faculty of Law in Zagreb has a leading role in representing the University of Zagreb in the project of shaping the European University of Post-Industrial Cities (UNIC, <https://www.unic.eu/>), approved by the European Commission under the Erasmus+ programme. UNIC is an alliance between the universities of Deusto in Bilbao, Spain; Ruhr in Bochum, Germany; Koç in Istanbul, Turkey; Erasmus University in Rotterdam (alliance coordinator), the Netherlands; and the universities of Cork, Ireland; Liège, Belgium; Oulu, Finland; and Zagreb, Croatia. The duration of the project, which began on October 1, 2020, is envisaged to be three years, with the possibility of adding three years. The project is expected to ensure the mobility (*physical*, virtual or blended) of 50% of all students and 25% of lecturers and other staff from the University of Zagreb, modernise teaching through the application of practical learning (CityLabs), ensure the inclusion of students from vulnerable and marginalised social groups, create internationally integrated study programmes, bring about a stable and broad framework of international cooperation and significantly increase the social impact of studies. In addition to the original project, the month of November 2020 brought about an additional proposal to improve the scientific-research

cooperation of the same eight universities within the H2020 programme specifically designed to serve the alliances that are building European universities to ensure a stable institutional framework for cooperation between scientists and researchers from the eight universities involved.

#### *4. Participation in international research projects and international conferences*

In the last ten years, lecturers and associates of the Faculty have participated in more than two thousand international scientific conferences and more than a hundred international scientific projects. In addition, the Faculty hosted or co-hosted more than sixty international and regional conferences with other national and international entities in the same period. For example, in cooperation with the Croatian Copyright Society and the State Intellectual Property Office, the Faculty organised the ALAI (Association Littéraire et Artistique Internationale) World Congress; it organised the 18th World Congress of Medical Law in cooperation with the World Association for Medical Law; the international scientific conference *European Civil Procedure Law* in partnership with Deutsche Stiftung für internationale rechtliche Zusammenarbeit, the Judicial Academy of the Republic of Croatia and the Lawyers' Academy of the Croatian Bar Association; a project conference and an annual assembly in cooperation with the European Law Institute; a regional conference on human rights under the European Convention on Human Rights in cooperation with the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights; a regional conference dedicated to the Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) in cooperation with UNCITRAL; and an annual conference in cooperation with the Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe. The Chair Social Policy is currently implementing the “RE-DWELL – Delivering affordable and sustainable housing in Europe” project, Horizon 2020 – MSCA – ITN – 2020 (Marie Skłodowska Innovative Training Networks) 2021–2024.

## *5. Experience in conducting doctoral studies*

The Faculty is the oldest Croatian higher education institution in the field of legal sciences with the longest tradition of offering a doctoral degree in this part of Europe. Until 1948, students would complete their law studies at the Faculty by taking the so-called strict examinations or “rigorozas” based on which they would acquire the title of Doctor of Law and authorisation to perform professional work in the judiciary. Since then, the scientific degree of Doctor of Science has been acquired by defending a doctoral dissertation. Postgraduate (master’s) studies were introduced at the Faculty in 1958 with the establishment of the first postgraduate scientific study programme (Criminal Law). Other study programmes were introduced in 1961 (Commercial Law; Administrative-Political Studies), 1962 (Public International Law, Private International Law and International Relations), 1963 (State-Political Studies), 1989 (Civil Law, Fiscal Law, and Fiscal Policy) and 2000 (European Law). Since then, the system of postgraduate studies at the Faculty has developed and branched into several scientific and specialist programmes aimed at achieving scientific and research learning outcomes and acquiring appropriate skills, methodological and theoretical knowledge, with the aim of reaching international and European quality standards. Lecturers of the study programme provider participate in postgraduate programs of other constituent units of the University of Zagreb, other universities in Croatia and abroad. A long tradition in postgraduate education is closely connected with the rich scientific research activity of the provider of the study programme, especially with the Faculty’s active participation in a number of competitive projects and research.

Apart from the fact that doctoral education represented the starting point for their further academic and scientific careers at this and other law faculties in the Republic of Croatia, many doctoral students have enjoyed successful careers in the public and private sector after acquiring a doctoral degree in legal sciences.

## *6. A new doctoral study programme in legal sciences*

The purpose of the postgraduate doctoral study in legal sciences initiated by the Faculty in February 2021 is to deepen and expand existing knowledge and train doctoral students for independent research in the field of legal sciences or to help shape future researchers capable of conducting high-level research in accordance with international standards. Independent scientific

research, instruction, conferences, doctoral exams, collaborating with a mentor (also in their capacity as a study advisor), the director of studies, lecturers and external stakeholders will help students gain new scientific knowledge in selected areas and present this knowledge in their doctoral dissertation.

Additionally, regarding the usefulness of the new doctoral study programme concerning the needs of research activities in the public and private sector and possibilities of employment upon completion of the study program, it is important to stress that the doctoral learning outcomes are both formally and substantively in line with the level 8.2 of the CROQF. The outcomes of the emphasised research part of the study will be achieved through independent research and interdisciplinary work of doctoral students to meet the criteria of scientific excellence and encourage social and economic development. The possibility of meeting the needs of the public and private sector from the perspective of law and the indicated learning outcomes of the corresponding level of doctoral education is ensured by the possibility of choosing a research topic in all parts of public and private law, which means that the outcomes of selected doctoral research can meet the normative needs in both highlighted areas. Since this is a generally accepted systematisation of legal science, the chosen research topic in either public or private law is relevant in both the national and international context.

### *7. Doctoral study programme in social work and social policy*

The **Postgraduate Doctoral University Study Programme in Social Work and Social Policy** has been organised and conducted at the Social Work Study Centre. The doctoral study programme is particularly important for the development of capacities for modern research in the field of social work and social policy related to seeking answers to the issues of unemployment, pension insurance reform, combating poverty and social exclusion, involving citizens and civil society organisations in social programmes, housing policy development, privatisation of social services and the impact of the globalisation process on the development of social states, the availability of social services, the recognition and strengthening of social innovation, the effects of exposure to various forms of discrimination and violence in social relations, ensuring human rights, etc. The doctoral study programme develops theoretical, methodological, and empirical assumptions of

scientific engagement in the field of social work and social policy. Thus, this study programme equips future students to systematise, analyse and improve knowledge relating to a wide range of topics as part of the development and organisation of the Croatian social system. Bearing in mind that social policy and social work are scientific disciplines and applied practices, theoretical and empirical knowledge acquired through the doctoral study programme are a prerequisite for finding practical solutions to numerous social problems.

## 8. *Publishing activities*

The Faculty has an established publishing activity that includes, independently or in cooperation, publishing textbooks, manuals, monographs, comments on current legislation, testimonials, etc. The success of scientific research activities is also evident in journals of the Faculty of Law, most of which are referenced in relevant databases. The Faculty regularly publishes various journals, the oldest of which, *Collected papers of the University of Zagreb Faculty of Law*, a scientific-theoretical journal for legal and social sciences, was founded in 1948. Six issues are published annually. In addition, the Faculty has been publishing the *Zagreb Law Review* as an electronic journal of postgraduate studies at the Faculty of Law since 2011. Since 1994, the Faculty has also been publishing specialised journals related to certain legal areas, namely the *Croatian Annual of Criminal Law and Practice* (titled “*Croatian Annual of Criminal Sciences and Practice*” since 2016), the *Croatian Public Administration* journal since 1999 (titled “*Croatian and Comparative Public Administration*” since 2011), and the *Croatian Yearbook of European Law & Policy* since 2005. The Faculty also publishes the *Croatian Journal of Social Policy* and the *Annual of Social Work*. These journals are referenced in a number of international databases.

The table shows a list of all journals of the Faculty of Law with a list of relevant databases in which most are referenced:

- 1) The Faculty is the publisher or co-publisher of the following scientific journals:

Title		Category according to the Regulation 2017	Databases in which journals are referenced
<b>Croatian Yearbook of European Law &amp; Policy</b>	<a href="https://www.cyelp.com/index.php/cyelp/about">https://www.cyelp.com/index.php/cyelp/about</a>	A1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-SCOPUS</li> <li>-Web of Science Core Collection: Emerging Sources Citation Index</li> <li>- HeinOnline – Foreign &amp; International Law Resources Database</li> <li>- Academic Search Complete Publications - EBSCO</li> <li>- PAIS International</li> <li>- International Bibliography of the Social Sciences (IBSS)</li> <li>- GESIS SocioGuide</li> <li>-DOAJ</li> <li>- European Sources Online (ESO)</li> </ul>
<b>Croatian and Comparative Public Administration</b>	<a href="https://ccpa-journal.eu/index.php/ccpa/other">https://ccpa-journal.eu/index.php/ccpa/other</a>  (co-publisher)	A1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-SCOPUS</li> <li>-Web of Science Core Collection (WoSCC)</li> <li>- Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI)</li> <li>-HeinOnline</li> <li>-Worldwide Political Science Abstracts</li> <li>-Social Services Abstracts</li> <li>-Sociological Abstracts</li> <li>-Public Affairs Information Service – PAIS International (ProQuest),</li> <li>- Political Science Complete,</li> <li>-Public Administration Abstracts</li> <li>-Public Administration Database for Accessing Publications in European Languages – PA@BABEL</li> <li>-International Political Science Abstracts</li> </ul>
<b>Annual of Social Work</b>	<a href="https://hrcak.srce.hr/ljetopis">https://hrcak.srce.hr/ljetopis</a>	A1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Web of Science Core Collection (WoSCC): Social Sciences Citation Index</li> <li>-SCOPUS</li> <li>-Social Services Abstract Database</li> <li>-Sociological Abstract</li> <li>-Studies on Women and Gender Abstracts</li> <li>-DOAJ</li> <li>-ERIH plus</li> </ul>

<b>Croatian Journal of Social Policy</b>	<a href="http://www.rsp.hr/ojs2/index.php/rs/p/about/journalSponsorship">http://www.rsp.hr/ojs2/index.php/rs/p/about/journalSponsorship</a>	A1	<b>-Web of Science Core Collection (WoSCC): Social Sciences Citation Index</b> <b>-SCOPUS</b> -Sociological Abstracts -Social Services Abstracts -Worldwide Political Science Abstracts -Caredata Abstracts -Social Work Abstracts and Social Work Abstracts Plus, -International Bibliography of the Social Sciences - IBSS, -GEOBASE, -DOAJ -SocIndex – EBSCO
<b>Zagreb Law Review</b>	<a href="http://revija.pravo.unizg.hr/index.php/zpr">http://revija.pravo.unizg.hr/index.php/zpr</a>	A1	<b>-HeinOnline</b>
<b>Collected papers of the Faculty of Law</b>	<a href="https://hrcak.srce.hr/zbornik-pfz">https://hrcak.srce.hr/zbornik-pfz</a>	A1	<b>-HeinOnline</b> <b>-SCOPUS</b> -Political Science Complete - EBSCO -ProQuest Social Science Premium Collection -Worldwide Political Science Abstracts -DRANT – Droits Antiques -DOAJ -ERIH plus

2) Professional and professional-scientific journals:

<b>Yearbook: Colloquia of Zagreb Faculty of Law and Zagreb Lawyers Club</b>	<a href="https://www.pravo.unizg.hr/tribina/popis_tribina_od_1993._do_danas">https://www.pravo.unizg.hr/tribina/popis_tribina_od_1993._do_danas</a>		
<b>Lawyer</b>	<a href="https://hrcak.srce.hr/pravnik">https://hrcak.srce.hr/pravnik</a>	A2	Academic Search Complete Publications - EBSCO

## 9. Library

Given the library fund's tradition, scope, and value, the Faculty Library guarantees scientific excellence for the Faculty staff and all students, regardless of the level of study, guest researchers, etc. The book fund is organised in 26 expert groups. It went from consisting of 4,500 volumes of books in 1925 to 172,000 volumes of books and 39,000 volumes of magazines in 2002. The material has been procured through purchases, gifts (lecturers, other jurists, national and international organisations, including the United Nations) and exchange (an exchange for the Faculty journal *Collected Papers of the Faculty of Law in Zagreb* has been ongoing since 1954), where the share of individual procurement methods depended on specific circumstances. Part of the books was also acquired when integrating the Faculty with other institutions (College of Administration in 1968, Higher School of Administration in 1983, and Inter-faculty Study for Social Workers in 1984). Today, the Library has separate alphabetical and professional catalogues for books published before 1944 and after 1944. The library has been cataloguing books according to the ISBN standard since 1984. Book cataloguing has been computerised since 1990, and the digitalisation of the entire older fund is currently underway. The cataloguing of articles began in 1952, and today there are separate catalogues for articles published in 1952–1971 and those published after 1971. Since 1993, this process has been digitalised. In addition to conventional library material (books and magazines), the library recently started acquiring unconventional materials (CD-ROM and databases). The Faculty offers researchers and students access to all major databases necessary for research in the fields of legal, social, economic, and other social sciences (see <https://www.pravo.unizg.hr/knjiznica/history>).

## 6. Priority areas and topics of research in the period 2021–2025

This section lists research topics that shall serve as a guide in developing research in the period 2021–2025. Their priority is conditioned by new scientific knowledge and challenges in the field of legal sciences, projects carried out at the Faculty (whether scientific projects and/or expert projects with other higher education institutions and business entities), analyses of the listed strategic documents or their sections, and the needs of society and the labour market.

Based on the above, the Faculty's scientific research activities will focus on development in the following research areas and topics grouped by the activities of the Faculty's chairs:

Chair	Chair of General Theory of Law and State
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Judicial activism</li> <li>2. Good legislation</li> <li>3. Establishment of the legal order of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>4. Functions of law</li> <li>5. Positive legal regulation of interpretation and argumentation in the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>6. Theory of individual and collective rights</li> <li>7. Artefact theory of law</li> <li>8. Methodology of legal science</li> <li>9. Nature of international law</li> <li>10. Applicability of legal norms</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	Assoc. Prof. Luka Burazin, PhD Assoc. Prof. Vanja-Ivan Savić, PhD Asst. Prof. Mario Krešić, PhD Asst. Prof. Barbara Preložnjak, PhD
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- ordinary courts</li> <li>- Croatian Parliament</li> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration</li> <li>- law firms</li> </ul>
Chair	Chair of Roman Law
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Roman legal tradition and comparative legal systems – selected topics</li> <li>2. Roman and comparative proprietary law – selected topics</li> <li>3. Roman and comparative obligation law – selected topics</li> <li>4. Roman public law – selected topics</li> <li>5. Roman civil procedural law and comparative procedural law systems – selected topics</li> <li>6. <i>Regulae iuris</i> and modern legal systems</li> <li>7. Canon law and modern legal systems – selected topics</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. <i>Ius commune</i> and contemporary comparative private law – selected topics</li> <li>9. Byzantine legal tradition in the Mediterranean context – selected topics</li> <li>10. Ancient philosophical and rhetorical tradition in the legal context – selected topics</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	<p>Full professor Marko Petrak, PhD  Full professor Ivana Jaramaz Reskušić, PhD  Assoc. prof. Tomislav Karlović, PhD  Assoc. prof. Ivan Milotić, PhD  Asst. Prof. Henrik-Riko Held, PhD</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts</li> <li>- Miroslav Krleža Institute of Lexicography</li> <li>- Archaeological Museum</li> <li>- Ministry of Culture</li> <li>- National and University Library</li> <li>- Croatian State Archives</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of General History of Law and State</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The diversity of the development of legal systems as a determinant of the different status of women in the European Union and its role in the (lack of) harmonisation of European law - the issue of the glass ceiling, different wages and pensions, and the reconciliation of private and public life</li> <li>2. The legal legacy of the countries with a former socialist legal order, its importance for selected current issues (position of a woman, domestic violence, abortion, etc.) and comparison with other EU states</li> <li>3. Impact of infectious diseases on the state and the law – legal regulation and restrictions of constitutional rights – legal historical aspects</li> <li>4. The process of approximation of common law and European continental law – appreciation of various legal historical factors</li> <li>5. “<i>Vae victis!</i>”– the impact of the principles of justice and humanity on the inception and development of the international legal regime of occupation during and after the end of hostilities</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Responsibility of states for violations of international legal norms as a reflection of the legal-historical development of international law from the XVI century</li> <li>7. Development of European integration and institutions</li> <li>8. Legal and historical determinants of the emergence and development of corruption</li> <li>9. Integration of the South-Eastern and Eastern European countries</li> <li>10. Development of criminal procedure with an emphasis on the rights of defence – the history of the right to remain silent</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	<p>Full professor Zrinka Erent-Sunko, PhD  Miran Marelja, PhD  Ivan Obadić, PhD  Danijel Javorić Barić</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ombudsperson for Gender Equality</li> <li>- committees of the Parliament of the Republic of Croatia that focus on the issue of women's position, legislation offices of the Parliament and the Government of the Republic of Croatia,</li> <li>- Constitutional Court</li> <li>- ministries</li> <li>- Croatian Red Cross</li> <li>- Croatian Bar Association</li> <li>- State Attorney's Office</li> <li>- Commission for the Resolution of Conflict of Interest</li> <li>- institutions of the European Union</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Croatian History of Law and State</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Croatian legal impacts in Europe: echoes of the Croatian-Hungarian Settlement in the United Kingdom</li> <li>2. Croatian autonomy and institutional conditions of statehood 1868–1918</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Citizens' rights on Croatian territories and in the European context 1848–1918</li> <li>4. Criminal procedure and jury trials on the Dalmatian territory 1848–1929</li> <li>5. Public law in the Croatian-Slavonian legal field and interwar Yugoslavia</li> <li>6. Private law in the Croatian-Slavonian legal field and interwar Yugoslavia</li> <li>7. The legal position of women in the Croatian-Slavonian legal field and social changes in interwar Yugoslavia</li> <li>8. Relationship between “people’s” and state law and the judiciary in the Croatian-Slavonian legal field and interwar Yugoslavia</li> <li>9. Development of nationality in Croatia 1945–1991</li> <li>10. The disintegration of Yugoslavia and the creation of the Republic of Croatia – legal aspects</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	Full professor Dalibor Čepulo, PhD Assoc. Prof. Ivan Kosnica, PhD Assoc. Prof. Mirela Krešić, PhD Asst. Prof. Dunja Milotić, PhD
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration</li> <li>- Ministry of the Interior</li> <li>- Croatian Bar Association</li> <li>- State Attorney’s Office of Croatia</li> <li>- Institute of Public Administration</li> <li>- Miroslav Krleža Institute of Lexicography</li> <li>- Matrix Croatica</li> <li>- Croatian Women’s Network</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Sociology</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. University law and the law of scientific organisations</li> <li>2. Legal culture</li> <li>3. Values, Europeanisation, and the legal system</li> <li>4. Religious rights and ecclesiastical-state relations</li> <li>5. Rights of national minorities</li> </ol>

	6. Women's social position
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	Full professor Siniša Zrinščak, PhD Assoc. Prof. Ksenija Grubišić, PhD Asst. Prof. Dario Čepo, PhD Asst. Prof. Antonija Petričušić, PhD Asst. Prof. Stjepka Popović, PhD Mateja Čehulić
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Science and Education</li> <li>- Agency for Science and Higher Education</li> <li>- scientific organisations</li> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration</li> <li>- judicial bodies</li> <li>- Office for Human Rights and Rights of National Minorities</li> <li>- Gender Equality Office</li> <li>- Ombudsperson</li> <li>- Ombudsperson for Gender Equality</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Economic Science</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Significance and role of regulatory agencies in the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>2. European financial regulatory agencies – legislation, practice, and impact in Croatia</li> <li>3. Monetary and Banking Union – new regulation in the process of Croatia's accession</li> <li>4. Capital market regulation</li> <li>5. Economic analysis of judicial efficiency</li> <li>6. Impact of informal institutions on economic development</li> <li>7. Effects of development finance institutions' actions in transition countries</li> <li>8. Croatian crony capitalism – a formalised institutional paradigm</li> <li>9. The other side of transition in Croatia</li> <li>10. Institutional obstacles to strengthening Sino-European relations</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	Assoc. Prof. Nenad Rančić, PhD Assoc. Prof. Ivana Bajakić, PhD Assoc. Prof. Ozren Pilipović, PhD Assoc. Prof. Ružica Šimić Banović, PhD

<p>External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration</li> <li>- European Central Bank</li> <li>- Government of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- Croatian National Bank</li> <li>- Croatian Financial Services Supervisory Agency</li> <li>- Ministry of Finance</li> <li>- Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development</li> <li>- Croatian Bank for Reconstruction and Development</li> <li>- European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy</li> <li>- European Economic Association</li> <li>- Ministry of Foreign Affairs</li> </ul>
<p><b>Chair</b></p>	<p><b>Chair of Constitutional Law</b></p>
<p>Research Areas and Topics</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. European constitutional law</li> <li>2. The intersection of European Union law and national constitutional guarantees of fundamental human rights and freedoms in the light of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU</li> <li>3. Rule of law – the cornerstone of the European Union</li> <li>4. The role and importance of constitutional administration of justice in comparative constitutional law</li> <li>5. Constitutional interpretation methods in modern comparative constitutional law</li> <li>6. Major natural disasters (pandemics, epidemics) and modern approaches to “emergency situations” in comparative constitutional law</li> <li>7. Constitutional regulation of the election of MPs in the Croatian Parliament: basic constitutional principles of elections, organisation of constituencies, the introduction of postal and electronic voting and strengthening the influence of voters on the election of members</li> <li>8. Croatian citizens’ direct decision-making at the state and local level: constitutional and</li> </ol>

	<p>legislative regulation of popular initiatives, constitutional and legal boundaries and constitutional judicial supervision of referendums and popular initiatives</p> <p>9. Reform of the constitutional regulation of the parliamentary system and the system of ‘checks and balances’ in the Republic of Croatia: redefining the process of forming a government, introducing an institute of constructive mistrust, incorporating the constitutional veto of the President of the Republic</p> <p>10. Development of reproductive rights in the light of the constitutional guarantee of dignity, freedom, and privacy</p>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	<p>Full professor Biljana Kostadinov, PhD</p> <p>Full professor Robert Podolnjak, PhD</p> <p>Assoc. Prof. Đorđe Gardašević, PhD</p> <p>Asst. Prof. Ana Horvat Vuković, PhD</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Croatian Association for Constitutional Law</li> <li>- Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- Croatian Parliament</li> <li>- Government of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- state administration bodies and legal persons with public authority in the fields of research in the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- associations dealing with the issue of elections</li> <li>- Croatian Parliament</li> <li>- State Electoral Commission</li> <li>- High Administrative Court</li> <li>- entities operating within the Croatian parliamentary system</li> <li>- Ombudsperson for Gender Equality</li> <li>- Croatian Medical Chamber</li> <li>- Ombudsperson</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Criminal Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. DNA analysis and criminal justice</li> <li>2. The impact of EU law, the European Convention on Human Rights, and the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human</li> </ol>

	<p>Rights on the development of substantive criminal law</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Juvenile delinquency, children, and criminal law in general</li> <li>4. Intersection of criminal law and freedom of expression (hate speech, media freedom, and criminal protection of honour and reputation, fake news, criminal law in dealing with dissenting voices)</li> <li>5. International crimes and transitional justice</li> <li>6. Artificial intelligence and (criminal) legal framework</li> <li>7. Purpose and empirical aspects of punishment (analysis of criminal sanctions, the prison system and population, recidivism)</li> <li>8. Criminal law in emergency situations (with an emphasis on the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic)</li> <li>9. Violent crimes and the role of criminal law in protecting particularly vulnerable victims</li> <li>10. Current socially widespread forms of crime and criminal justice responses to them (human trafficking, gender-based violence against women and domestic violence, medical and economic criminal law, cybercrime)</li> </ol>
<p>Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators</p>	<p>Full professor Davor Derenčinović, PhD  Full professor Leo Cvitanović, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Marta Dragičević Prtenjača, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Anna-Maria Getoš Kalac, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Maja Munivrana Vajda, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Sunčana Roksandić, PhD  Asst. Prof. Aleksandar Maršavelski, PhD  Reana Bezić, PhD</p>
<p>External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration</li> <li>- Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- State Attorney's Office</li> <li>- International Criminal Court</li> <li>- European Court of Human Rights</li> <li>- Supreme Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Health</li> <li>- Croatian Institute of Public Health</li> <li>- Civil Protection Headquarters of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- European Judicial Network</li> <li>- Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe</li> <li>- Croatian Law Centre</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Criminal Procedural Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Integration of the European Public Prosecutor in the Croatian criminal procedure</li> <li>2. Criminal procedural rights in judicial cooperation in the European Union</li> <li>3. Consensual procedures in the Croatian criminal procedural law</li> <li>4. Strengthening the efficiency of the Croatian criminal procedure through reform of legal remedies</li> <li>5. Unification of jurisprudence in criminal justice</li> <li>6. Procedural rights of the defence in misdemeanour procedures</li> <li>7. Use of new technologies in criminal justice and criminal procedure</li> <li>8. Effectiveness of criminal procedures and states' cooperation with the International Criminal Court</li> <li>9. Effective prosecution of political and economic crime</li> <li>10. Criminal procedural law and regional, global, and national security challenges.</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	<p>Full professor Zlata Đurđević, PhD  Full professor Elizabeta Ivičević Karas, PhD  Asst. Prof. Marin Bonačić, PhD  Asst. Prof. Zoran Burić, PhD  Darija Željko</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Supreme Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- High Misdemeanor Court</li> <li>- State Attorney's Office</li> <li>- Croatian Bar Association</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Justice</li> <li>- Ministry of the Interior</li> <li>- Croatian Law Centre</li> <li>- Centre for Law and Democracy</li>   <li>- Croatian Chamber of Commerce</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Family Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Impact of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights on family law institutes</li> <li>2. Impact of the CJEU case-law on national family law systems</li> <li>3. Contemporary family law regulation of marriage and other forms of family life</li> <li>4. Parental care in national and comparative legislation</li> <li>5. Modern challenges in the protection of children's rights</li> <li>6. Family law protection of unaccompanied children</li> <li>7. Family law aspects of international child abduction</li> <li>8. The legal status of adults in need of family law protection</li> <li>9. Alternative resolution of family law conflicts of interest</li> <li>10. Maintenance and property relations in family law</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	<p>Full professor Dubravka Hrabar, PhD  Full professor Aleksandra Korać Graovac, PhD  Full professor Irena Majstorović, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Anica Čulo Margaletić, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Ivan Šimović, PhD</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- judicial bodies</li> <li>- Croatian Bar Association</li> <li>- Croatian Notaries Chamber</li> <li>- Judicial Academy</li> <li>- Lawyers' Academy</li> <li>- Office of the Ombudsperson for Children</li> <li>- Office of the Agent of the Republic of Croatia before the European Court of Human Rights</li> </ul>

	- Croatian Law Centre
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Legal Informatics</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Right to protection of personal data</li> <li>2. Privacy in electronic communications</li> <li>3. Cybercrime</li> <li>4. High technologies and intellectual property</li> <li>5. Electronic commerce</li> <li>6. Electronic media</li> <li>7. Information Security</li> <li>8. Information warfare</li> <li>9. Information society</li> <li>10. Information technologies in public administration</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	<p>Full professor Dražen Dragičević, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Nina Gumzej, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Tihomir Katulić, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Hrvoje Lisičar, PhD  Asst. Prof. Marko Jurić, PhD</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Personal Data Protection Agency</li> <li>- Agency for Electronic Media</li> <li>- Information Systems Security Bureau</li> <li>- State Intellectual Property Office</li> <li>- Croatian National CERT (CERT.hr)</li> <li>- Croatian Regulatory Authority for Network Industries</li> <li>- Croatian Bar Association</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Civil Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Digital transformation of the legal property transfers</li> <li>2. Consumer protection in the digital market</li> <li>3. Protection of fundamental rights in private law</li> <li>4. Artificial intelligence and private law</li> <li>5. Medical indemnity law</li> <li>6. Contracting and liability for damage in the light of information technology</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Civil law and information technology</li> <li>8. Civil law aspects of cryptocurrency regulation</li> <li>9. Private law regulation of legal relations on digital platforms</li> <li>10. Protection of users of digital platforms and the private regulation of digital services</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	<p>Full professor Tatjana Josipović, PhD  Full professor Igor Gliha, PhD  Full professor Marko Baretić, PhD  Full professor Saša Nikšić, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Hano Ernst, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Romana Matanovac Vučković, PhD  Asst. Prof. Ivana Kanceljak, PhD  Marko Stilinović</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Justice</li> <li>- Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development</li> <li>- Financial Agency</li> <li>- Croatian National Bank</li> <li>- Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law in Hamburg</li> <li>- University of Graz Faculty of Law</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Civil Procedural Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Digitalisation of litigation: concept, method of implementation, comparative role models and impact assessment in practice</li> <li>2. Empirical analysis of the functioning of the litigation based on quantitative indicators: methodology, analysis of the availability of relevant data and comparative results with particular reference to problems caused by the COVID crisis</li> <li>3. Reform of the legal remedies system in Croatian civil law: appeal, review by permission and trial procedure</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Alternative dispute resolution and collective redress: development of procedural mechanisms in the light of European trends</li> <li>5. European civil procedures – comparative development and Croatian reception</li> <li>6. Implementation and practical application of the rules of the Directive on restructuring and insolvency</li> <li>7. Enforcement legislation: causes of unintended amendments and a reconceptualisation of future interventions</li> <li>8. Procedure for deprivation of legal capacity, the exercise of parental care and personal relations with the child in the light of international standards and new and planned family legislation</li> <li>9. Development of a sustainable concept of clinical legal education</li> <li>10. The impact of the practice of European courts (European Court of Human Rights and the Court of Justice) on the development of the law and case law of Croatian courts</li> </ol>
<p>Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators</p>	<p>Full professor Alan Uzelac, PhD  Full professor Jasnica Garašić, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Slađana Aras Kramar, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Aleksandra Maganić, PhD  Asst. Prof. Marko Bratković, PhD  Juraj Brozović</p>
<p>External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Justice (in particular: Judicial Academy)</li> <li>- Supreme Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- Croatian Bar Association</li> <li>- Croatian Notaries Chamber</li> <li>- municipal and commercial courts (especially Zagreb's as the largest and closest)</li> <li>- social welfare centres (for family topics)</li> <li>- Croatian Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>- civil society associations (for issues of enforcement law and collective legal protection), e.g., Franak and Blokirani</li> </ul>

Chair	Chair of Administrative Science
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prospects for the development of public administration by 2030: adaptive and crisis-resistant digital age administration</li> <li>2. Organisational, functional and governance development of the state administration of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>3. Croatian local and regional self-government in the modern European multilevel environment: the impact of COVID-19 and the absorption of EU ESI funds</li> <li>4. Citizens and public governance: citizen participation and access to quality public services in the context of the common European Union policies</li> <li>5. Application of modern public management methods and standards in Croatian public administration</li> <li>6. Value transformation of the Croatian public administration: responsibility, professionalisation, integrity</li> <li>7. Management of migration and diversity in the Croatian public administration</li> <li>8. Development of a public administration toolbox for responding to natural, health, environmental, social, and other crises</li> <li>9. Gap analysis and shaping the system of civil service legislation for the 21st-century public administration</li> <li>10. The rule of law and Croatian public administration: drafting proposals to upgrade the legal framework of the Croatian public administration</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	<p>Full professor Ivan Koprić, PhD  Full professor Gordana Marčetić, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Vedran Đulabić, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Anamarija Musa, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Jasmina Džinić, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Goranka Lalić Novak, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Romea Manojlović Toman, PhD</p>

	<p>Asst. Prof. Teo Giljević, PhD  Asst. Prof. Mihovil Škarica, PhD  Asst. Prof. Tijana Vukojičić Tomić, PhD  Petra Đurman, PhD  Iva Lopižić, PhD</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Institute of Public Administration</li> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration</li> <li>- Association of Cities</li> <li>- Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts</li> <li>- National School for Public Administration</li> <li>- Trade Union of State and Local Government Employees</li> <li>- Open Government Partnership of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- UNHCR</li> <li>- Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds</li> <li>- Zagreb holding</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of International Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. United Nations and the fight against terrorism</li> <li>2. Delimitation of marine areas under national jurisdiction – tendencies in recent judicial and arbitral practices</li> <li>3. Forced migration in the context of climate change (with particular emphasis on rising sea levels)</li> <li>4. Non-state actors and international law</li> <li>5. Integrated coastal management at the international and regional level</li> <li>6. International legal protection of human rights in the light of climate change</li> <li>7. Interregional organisations in international law</li> <li>8. Development of international legal rules on the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in marine areas beyond national jurisdiction</li> <li>9. International legal aspects of cultural heritage protection</li> <li>10. The impact of anthropogenic climate change on the legal status of island (archipelagic) states – the problem of the so-called disappearing states.</li> </ol>

Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	Full professor Maja Seršić, PhD Full professor Davorin Lapaš, PhD Asst. Prof. Mihael Trpimir Šošić, PhD Rutvica Rusan Novokmet, PhD Leon Žganec-Brajša
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- International Law Association (ILA)</li> <li>- Association Internationale du Droit de la Mer</li> <li>- Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs</li> <li>- Ministry of Culture and Media</li> <li>- State Institute for Nature Protection</li> <li>- Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Financial Law and Financial Science</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fiscal system and fiscal policy – legal analysis</li> <li>2. The Croatian fiscal system in the context of EU law and the international tax law context</li> <li>3. Tax initiatives under the auspices of the EU (digital tax, financial transaction tax)</li> <li>4. Development directions of the general sales tax (value-added tax, special sales taxes)</li> <li>5. Education in the field of taxation</li> <li>6. Digitalisation of business and fair taxation</li> <li>7. International initiatives to prevent tax evasion and evading tax liabilities</li> <li>8. Administrative cooperation in the field of taxation</li> <li>9. Croatian and comparative tax law</li> <li>10. Fiscal federalism</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	Full professor Hrvoje Arbutina, PhD Full professor Nikola Mijatović, PhD Assoc. Prof. Sonja Cindori, PhD Assoc. Prof. Tereza Rogić Lugarić, PhD Asst. Prof. Jasna Bogovac, PhD Irena Klemenčić, PhD
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Finance</li> <li>- Ministry of Finance – Tax Administration</li> <li>- Institute of Public Finance in Zagreb</li> <li>- Institute of Economics in Zagreb</li> <li>- Croatian Chamber of Tax Advisers</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Croatian Employers' Association</li> <li>- Croatian Chamber of Commerce</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Labour and Social Security Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The impact of working through digital platforms and other forms of digitalisation on the legal regulation of work</li> <li>2. The impact of the COVID-19 crisis on labour relations</li> <li>3. The importance of the <i>acquis communautaire</i> for the development of labour and social security law</li> <li>4. Gender equality in times of crisis</li> <li>5. Family pension – a legal arrangement in the context of changing family and employment relationships</li> <li>6. Digitalisation and discrimination in employment</li> <li>7. Workplace privacy</li> <li>8. Health systems crisis</li> <li>9. Social security in terms of demographic and economic change</li> <li>10. Labour and social security rights as human (fundamental) rights</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	<p>Full professor Željko Potočnjak, PhD  Full professor Ivana Grgurev, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Viktor Gotovac, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Ivana Vukorepa, PhD  Iva Bjelinski Radić</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Labour and Pension System, Family and Social Policy</li> <li>- Croatian Employers' Association</li> <li>- Croatian Pension Insurance Institute</li> <li>- Ombudsperson for Gender Equality</li> <li>- Ombudsperson</li> <li>- Ombudsperson for Persons with Disabilities</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Administrative Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Commentary on the General Administrative Procedure Act</li> <li>2. Towards the tenth anniversary of the application of the Act on Administrative Disputes –</li> </ol>

	<p>administrative courts as guarantors of the protection of citizen's rights and the legality of the Croatian state and public administration's work</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Analysis of the ten-year application of the General Administrative Procedure Act – has the reform succeeded, or are significant changes needed?</li> <li>4. Consolidation of state-church relations in light of their development – do we need a new law on the legal status of religious communities?</li> <li>5. Analysis of the need to amend the Public Procurement Act</li> <li>6. Analysis of the need to adopt a separate law on agencies</li> <li>7. Referendum as a form of direct democracy – administrative and legal aspects: 1) proposals to align Croatian legislation with European standards; 2) analysis of the (upcoming) adoption process and the content of the proposal for a new Law on Referendum; 3) commentary on the future Law on Referendum</li> <li>8. Harmonisation of Croatian legislation with EU legislation in the field of environmental protection (Croatian environmental law in the light of EU law)</li> <li>9. Analysis of the new Law on the State Administration System</li> <li>10. The role of citizens and administrative courts in spatial planning procedures</li> </ol>
<p>Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers</p>	<p>Full professor Marko Šikić, PhD  Full professor Jasna Omejec, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Frane Staničić, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Lana Ofak, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Marko Turudić, PhD  Asst. Prof. Mateja Held, PhD</p>
<p>External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- chambers: Croatian Chamber of Economy, Croatian Chamber of Social Workers, Croatian Bar Association, Croatian Chamber of Chartered Geodetic Engineers, Croatian Chamber of Architects, Croatian Chamber of Civil Engineers, Croatian Chamber of Forestry and Wood Processing Engineers</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- agencies: Croatian Regulatory Authority for Network Industries (HAKOM), Croatian Energy Regulatory Agency (HERA), Croatian Competition Agency (AZTN)</li> <li>- state bodies (Croatian Parliament, Government of the Republic of Croatia, state administration bodies)</li> <li>- The State Commission for Supervision of Public Procurement</li> <li>- bodies of local and regional self-government units and their associations: the Croatian County Association and the Croatian Association of Municipalities</li> <li>- professional associations: Association of Croatian Judges, Croatian Employers' Association, Zagreb Architects Society</li> <li>- Croatian Episcopal Conference</li> <li>- trade unions</li> <li>- civil sector, Council for Civil Society Development</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Commercial Law and Company Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Protecting Croatian strategic industries from hostile foreign takeovers and establishing a Croatian <i>de lege ferenda</i> framework for examining foreign direct investment in the national economy</li> <li>2. Modernisation of Croatian law on the takeover of joint-stock companies with particular regard to the rules on the neutral position of the management and supervisory board of the target company in the takeover process, an analysis of the existing control threshold and sanctions for non-disclosure of mandatory takeover bids</li> <li>3. Analysis of the current legal framework governing the rules on misuse of privileged information and preparation of concrete <i>de lege lata</i> and <i>de lege ferenda</i> proposals</li> <li>4. Legal regulation of affiliated companies</li> <li>5. The role of electronic means of communication and technology in corporate governance</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. The impact of COVID-19 on private law</li> <li>7. Formal and substantive conditions for the transfer of business shares in a limited liability company</li> <li>8. Analysis of existing legal models of organised claims markets with the aim of drafting a sustainable proposal establishing a national organised claims market</li> <li>9. Comparative legal analysis of the temporary administrator's institute in a limited liability company with the aim of clarifying the role, rights, and obligations of the temporary administrator in Croatian company law</li> <li>10. Analysis of the existing liability rules for the infringement of certain industrial property rights to provide concrete <i>de lege lata</i> and <i>de lege ferenda</i> proposals for national legislators aimed at improving the current liability regime</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	<p>Full professor Petar Miladin, PhD  Full professor Siniša Petrović, PhD  Full professor Hrvoje Markovinović, PhD  Full professor Nina Tepeš, PhD  Asst. Prof. Antun Bilić, PhD  Asst. Prof. Tomislav Jakšić, PhD</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts</li> <li>- Croatian Financial Services Supervisory Agency</li> <li>- High Commercial Court</li> <li>- Commercial Court in Zagreb</li> <li>- Zagreb Stock Exchange, Inc.</li> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- State Intellectual Property Office</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Maritime and General Transport Law</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sustainable and green transport in the EU in the 21st century and the position of the Croatian transport industry</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. European transport law and harmonisation of transport law: division of legislative competence in the EU and development of national transport law</li> <li>3. Autonomous vehicles: legal issues and insurance issues</li> <li>4. Revision of the Croatian legal regulation of insurance contracts</li> <li>5. Energy law of the Republic of Croatia: private law aspects</li> <li>6. Labour and social issues and aspects of air transport in the EU</li> <li>7. Interpretation and application of motor liability insurance regulations in judicial and insurance practice</li> <li>8. Passenger rights from transport contracts, package agreements and related travel agreements</li> <li>9. Ethical issues of data collection in security operations with a focus on private actors</li> <li>10. Cybercrime in the transportation industry and insurance issues</li> </ol>
<p>Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers</p>	<p>Full professor Jasenko Marin, PhD Full professor Nikoleta Radionov, PhD Assoc. Prof. Mišo Mudrić, PhD Asst. Prof. Iva Savić, PhD</p>
<p>External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- European Environment Agency</li> <li>- Croatian Employers' Association</li> <li>- Rimac Automobili</li> <li>- Croatian Maritime Law Association</li> <li>- Croatian Transport Law Association</li> <li>- Coastal Liner Services Agency</li> <li>- Croatian Civil Aviation Agency</li> <li>- Croatian Unmanned Systems Association</li> <li>- Croatia osiguranje d.d.</li> <li>- Croatian Energy Regulatory Agency</li> <li>- HEP, CROPEX, INA, JANAF, Plinacro</li> <li>- Croatian Energy Association</li> <li>- Croatian Financial Services Supervisory Agency</li> <li>- Croatian Association of Insurance Law</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Supreme Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- Croatian Transport Law Association</li> <li>- Croatian Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>- ministries</li> <li>- Coastal Liner Services Agency</li> <li>- Croatian Regulatory Authority for Network Industries</li> <li>- Institute for Security Policies</li> <li>- Croatian Association of Security Managers</li> <li>- ANO d.o.o.</li> <li>- Croatian Insurance Bureau</li> </ul>
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<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Private International Law</b>
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Research Areas and Topics	<p><i>Cross-border litigation in Central Europe – EU Private international before national courts (CEPIL).</i> The project is comprehensive and explores the following topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. whether the “Europe of Law and Justice” is optimised in the EU Member States from Central and Eastern Europe through the application of the European private international law</li> <li>2. whether the European private international law instruments are applied correctly and uniformly in the EU Member States</li> <li>3. whether the courts of the Member States settle cross-border disputes appropriately</li> <li>4. whether the current legal and institutional architecture ensures adequate legal certainty and an effective remedy for parties in cross-border dispute settlement procedures</li> <li>5. the availability of complete legal information on the European dimension of private international law</li> <li>6. whether the courts have overcome national constraints that prevent the development of uniform practice in the European private international legal instruments and the development of European legal standards, and whether the European private international legal</li> </ol>
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	<p>regulations and jurisprudence before national courts are uniformly applied</p> <p>Additional topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Human rights and European private international laws</li> <li>8. Family law aspects of cross-border relations – jurisdiction, applicable law, recognition and enforcement of court decisions</li> <li>9. International Commercial Arbitration – (i) practice of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at the Croatian Chamber of Commerce, (ii) application of the Arbitration Act before the courts of the Republic of Croatia; (iii) recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral decisions in the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>10. Reform of the investor-state dispute settlement system</li> </ol>
<p>Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers</p>	<p>Full professor Hrvoje Sikirić, PhD  Full professor Vilim Bouček, PhD  Full professor Davor Adrian Babić, PhD  Asst. Prof. Tena Hoško, PhD  Asst. Prof. Dora Zgrabljic Rotar, PhD</p>
<p>External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Supreme Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- High Commercial Court of the Republic of Croatia and Commercial Court in Zagreb</li> <li>- county and municipal courts</li> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- Croatian Bar Association</li> <li>- Judicial Academy</li> <li>- Permanent Court of Arbitration at the Croatian Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>- Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs</li> <li>- Ministry of Physical Planning, Construction and State Assets</li> <li>- State Attorney’s Office of Croatia</li> </ul>
<p><b>Chair</b></p>	<p><b>Chair of European Public Law</b></p>

<p>Research Areas and Topics</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Methodology of EU law and argumentation of the CJEU</li> <li>2. The role of national courts in the EU legal order</li> <li>3. The importance of the rule of law and the protection of fundamental rights in the EU legal order</li> <li>4. Impacts of COVID-19 on EU policies and law</li> <li>5. Developments in European migration and asylum law</li> <li>6. Developments in EU internal market law</li> <li>7. Implementation of the European Green Deal</li> <li>8. EU Constitutional Law</li> <li>9. Legal aspects of European economic and monetary integration and Croatia's accession to the euro</li> <li>10. Ethical concerns and developments in EU law (especially in areas such as EU health law or the regulation of AI)</li> </ol>
<p>Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators</p>	<p>Full professor Tamara Čapeta, PhD  Full professor Iris Goldner Lang, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Snježana Vasiljević, PhD  Asst. Prof. Melita Carević, PhD  Nika Bačić Selanec, PhD  Antonija Ivančan  Davor Petrić  Luka Petrović</p>
<p>External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- Supreme Court of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- courts</li> <li>- Croatian National Bank</li> <li>- Parliament of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- State Attorney's Office</li> <li>- ministries</li> <li>- UNHCR Croatia</li> <li>- Croatian Bar Association</li> <li>- Judicial Academy</li> <li>- NGOs – GONG, CPS, Human Rights House Zagreb</li> </ul>
<p><b>Chair</b></p>	<p><b>Chair of Psychology</b></p>

Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Evaluation strategies for family support programmes: a multidisciplinary perspective</li> <li>2. Characteristics of the family support programme in the European context</li> <li>3. Evaluation of the effectiveness of parenting support programmes – a comparative view</li> <li>4. Online parenting support programs</li> <li>5. Determinants of overprotective parenting in a sociocultural context</li> <li>6. Opportunities for service learning in higher education</li> <li>7. Expert assessments of parental alienation procedures in the context of a high-conflict divorce: the moderating role of parental cooperation and the severity of the child’s psychological problems</li> <li>8. Effectiveness of a new family centres service aimed at parents at psychosocial risk and their preschool children</li> <li>9. Evaluation of fathers’ parenting support programs</li> <li>10. Professional support for adoptive families</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	<p>Full professor Ninoslava Pećnik, PhD  Asst. Prof. Koraljka Modić Stanke, PhD  Asst. Prof. Ana Tokić Milaković, PhD</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ombudsperson for Children</li> <li>- UNICEF</li> <li>- ministry responsible for family-related issues</li> <li>- Croatian Psychological Association</li> <li>- Croatian Association of Social Workers</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Research Methodology in Social Work and Social Policy</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Empirical research on the inconsistency of case-law</li> <li>2. Implementation of measures to protect children from domestic violence in the social welfare system and the justice system</li> <li>3. GDPR and the right of access to the information within the scope of work of state and public services</li> </ol>

	4. Competence, financial capacity, and efficiency of local self-government units
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	Full professor Ivan Rimac, PhD Asst. Prof. Jelena Ogresta, PhD Lea Skokandić, PhD
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Justice and Administration</li> <li>- Ministry of Labour, Pension System, Family and Social Policy</li> <li>- Chamber of Social Workers</li> <li>- UNICEF</li> <li>- civil society organisations (e.g., GONG)</li> <li>- Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Theory and Methods of Social Work</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on vulnerable categories of users, support professions and processes in different systems: impact on mental health and human rights; professional support (supervision) for social welfare workers; innovation of social services; social work in health care</li> <li>2. Integration of social services and new organisation of social services in the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>3. A new perspective for homelessness (national survey on various aspects of homelessness)</li> <li>4. Parenting and intergenerational trauma transmission</li> <li>5. Family mediation in divorce and child disputes</li> <li>6. Psychosocial functioning and subjective well-being of children and youth (in times of crisis)</li> <li>7. Modern processes of assessment, decision-making and application of child protection measures in family law</li> <li>8. Development of deprived communities</li> <li>9. Significance of the digital environment (digital competencies and digital tools, child welfare in the digital domain)</li> </ol>

	10. The person-centred approach in the context of user rights advocacy
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	<p>Assoc. Prof. Olja Družić Ljubotina, PhD  Full professor Marina Ajduković, PhD  Full professor Branka Sladović-Franz, PhD  Full professor Kristina Urbanc, PhD  Full professor Nino Žganec, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Vanja Branica, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Marijana Kletečki Radović, PhD  Assoc. Prof. Marijana Majdak, PhD  Asst. Prof. Ana Opačić, PhD  Asst. Prof. Linda Rajhvajn Bulat, PhD  Asst. Prof. Lucija Vejmelka, PhD  Ines Rezo, PhD  Nika Sušac, PhD</p>
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- professional chambers (Croatian Chamber of Social Workers and Croatian Chamber of Psychology)</li> <li>- civil society organisations and humanitarian organisations (Croatian Association of Social Workers, Society for Psychological Assistance, Croatian Homeless Network, Institute for Labour Market Development, national associations of persons with disabilities, MoSt Association, Croatian Mediation Association, Croatian Association for Family Mediation, Croatian Association for Supervision and Organizational Development, Association for Self Advocacy, Zamisli Association, POKAZ Association, Leader Network Croatia, Red Cross Zagreb, Croatian Red Cross)</li> <li>- different bodies of the Ombudsperson (Office of the Ombudsperson for Children, Office of the Ombudsperson, Office of the Ombudsperson for Persons with Disabilities, Office of the Ombudsperson for Gender Equality)</li> <li>- Ministry of Labour and Pension System, Family and Social Policy</li> <li>- Ministry of Science and Education</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- social welfare institutions (social work centres, senior citizen residences)</li> <li>- Child Protection Centre of Zagreb</li> <li>- Zagreb City Office for Health</li> <li>- Sestre milosrdnice University Hospital Centre, other general hospitals, and University Hospital Centre</li> <li>- UNICEF</li> <li>- Croatian Employment Service</li> <li>- municipal courts</li> <li>- Education and Teacher Training Agency</li> <li>- rehabilitation centres</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Social Work Sphere</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. People with disabilities in society</li> <li>2. Social work for the benefit of families of persons with disabilities</li> <li>3. Formal support system for persons with disabilities</li> <li>4. Children with developmental disabilities, early intervention, and parenting – perspectives and support</li> <li>5. The role of student counselling centres and the formal support system in higher education – stakeholder perspectives</li> <li>6. Human rights and social work (sub-theme: green social work and environmental awareness; COVID-19 pandemic)</li> <li>7. Analysis of the current situation and improvement of services for adoptive and foster families</li> <li>8. Analysis of different challenges/problems in partner and family relations, opportunities for improvement and effects of support and assistance methods (counselling, support groups) (subtopic: impact of new ICT technologies on family life)</li> <li>9. Children growing up in specific family circumstances and the role of parents (divorce, wealth culture)</li> <li>10. Professional challenges and ethical dilemmas in dealing with families facing multiple risks</li> <li>11. Social and educational risks in primary and secondary school pupils</li> </ol>

Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	Assoc. Prof. Gordana Berc, PhD Full professor Zdravka Leutar, PhD Full professor Slavica Blažeka Kokorić, PhD Assoc. Prof. Maja Laklija, PhD Assoc. Prof. Marina Milić Babić, PhD Asst. Prof. Marko Buljevac, PhD
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- organisations of persons with disabilities</li> <li>- centres for education and rehabilitation</li> <li>- social welfare institutions intended for people with disabilities</li> <li>- Croatian Chamber of Social Workers</li> <li>- Croatian Association of Social Workers</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Social Policy</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Potentials of social entrepreneurship and social economy in social policy</li> <li>2. Current trends in civil society development and combined social policy</li> <li>3. Combined social policy and the role of employers in social protection</li> <li>4. Social innovation and development of non-institutional social services</li> <li>5. Care deficit for children and elderly people, changes in welfare regimes and their effects</li> <li>6. Socioeconomic and socio-demographic change, crises and transformations of the welfare state and effects on gender and social inequalities</li> <li>7. Challenges and perspectives of housing policy in Croatia</li> <li>8. The perspective of social investment and social innovation in the context of the new challenges of the welfare state in Croatia</li> <li>9. Intergenerational transmission of poverty in the Republic of Croatia: how to break the vicious cycle of poverty</li> <li>10. Causes and extent of non-use of the right to social welfare benefits</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers/collaborators	Full professor Zdenko Babić, PhD Full professor Gojko Bežovan, PhD Full professor Zoran Šučur, PhD Assoc. Prof. Ivana Dobrotić, PhD Asst. Prof. Danijel Baturina, PhD

	Asst. Prof. Jelena Matančević, PhD Josip Pandžić, PhD
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Labour and Pension System, Family and Social Policy</li> <li>- Croatian Employment Service</li> <li>- Office for Cooperation with NGOs – Government of the Republic of Croatia</li> <li>- National Foundation for Civil Society Development</li> <li>- Croatian Employers’ Association</li> <li>- UNICEF</li> <li>- Central State Office for Demography and Youth</li> <li>- Agency for Transactions and Mediation in Immovable Properties</li> <li>- Zagreb Architects Society</li> </ul>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Chair of Gerontology</b>
Research Areas and Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The position of the elderly and the quality of care in senior citizen residences</li> <li>2. Needs of professionals in dealing with the elderly in crises</li> <li>3. Position and needs of family caregivers in the care of people suffering from psychiatric diseases</li> <li>4. Care for people with Alzheimer’s disease from the perspective of family members and experts</li> <li>5. Discrimination against the elderly in times of crisis</li> <li>6. Possibilities of cooperation between different stakeholders in the community in caring for the elderly</li> <li>7. Experiences of the elderly in dealing with crises – the role of providers and recipients of various services</li> <li>8. Exposure of the elderly to family, institutional, and societal violence</li> <li>9. Challenges of end-of-life care</li> <li>10. Education of the elderly in the use of new technologies</li> </ol>
Internal stakeholders: researchers/lecturers	Full professor Ana Štambuk, PhD

	Full professor Silvia Rusac, PhD
External stakeholders / List of institutions/companies/bodies assessing the usefulness and impact of topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- City Office for Social Protection and People with Disabilities</li> <li>- senior citizen residences</li> <li>- Red Cross</li> <li>- Croatian Institute of Public Health</li> <li>- University Psychiatric Hospital Vrapče</li> <li>- Technical School “Ruđer Bošković”</li> <li>- Zagreb Pensioner Association</li> </ul>

## 7. Strategic goals of scientific research for the period 2021–2025

The main strategic goal of the Faculty in terms of scientific research is to **increase the scope and raise the quality** of scientific research to a level that ensures **international recognition, competitiveness, and visibility of the Faculty in the European Research Area and the European Higher Education Area**. Within this general goal, four specific goals of the scientific research programme for the period 2021–2025 have been defined in accordance with the conducted SWOT analysis and highlighted priority research areas:

1. encouraging excellence in scientific research
2. improving the quality of postgraduate university (doctoral) study programmes
3. encouraging international research activities and international recognition of the Faculty’s scientific activities
4. improving systematic cooperation and transferring knowledge and skills acquired through (doctoral) research.

### 1. Encouraging excellence in scientific research

**Activities 1.1.** Improving the support system for scientific and research excellence and innovative research at the Faculty, increasing the number of scientific projects and programmes.

**Activities 1.2.** Encouraging the advancement of employees to scientific and scientific-teaching ranks by regularly monitoring their scientific and teaching activities and motivating them to acquire new scientific competencies.

**Activities 1.3.** Improving the system of collecting data on the scientific research activities of the Faculty and creating a database.

**Activities 1.4.** Continuously increasing the number and quality of scientific papers.

**Activities 1.5.** Continuously improving and monitoring the quality of scientific journals of the Faculty of Law.

**Activities 1.6.** Developing and fostering an interdisciplinary research environment.

**Activities 1.7.** Increasing the number of research projects and improving administrative support for the application and implementation of projects.

**Activities 1.8.** Regularly organising and participating in scientific workshops, colloquia, seminars, conferences.

**Activities 1.9.** Using projects and programmes to continuously update scientific and research equipment.

## **2. Improving the quality of postgraduate university (doctoral) study programmes**

**Activities 2.1.** Implementing a new doctoral study programme in legal sciences

**Activities 2.2.** Continuously improving doctoral study programmes at the Faculty according to international quality standards.

**Activities 2.3.** Periodically evaluating doctoral study programmes.

**Activities 2.4.** Raising the quality of mentoring at doctoral studies by organising lectures and involving potential mentors in the University of Zagreb mentoring workshop.

**Activities 2.5.** Increasing doctoral students' active participation in scientific projects and presenting research in the context of study programmes, at conferences, and in scientific journals.

**Activities 2.6.** Encouraging doctoral students to actively participate in national and international scientific conferences.

**Activities 2.7.** Promoting regular participation in scientific and professional lectures organised at the Faculty.

**Activities 2.8.** Promoting doctoral study programmes among graduate students and employees of public, economic, and other scientific institutions.

**Activities 2.9.** Implementing the system of enrollment in doctoral studies that enables the selection of the best doctoral students and quality selection of research topics and mentors.

**Activities 2.10.** Ensuring freedom of scientific research and academic integrity.

**Activities 2.11.** Acquiring generic (transferable) skills and learning outcomes in doctoral study programmes in accordance with the qualification system of the European Higher Education Area.

### **3. Encouraging international research activities and international recognition of the Faculty's scientific activities**

**Activities 3.1.** Encouraging lecturer and doctoral student mobility, encouraging young researchers (doctoral students) to participate in the post-doctoral specialisation as part of international programmes and projects, which, in addition to the immediate benefit of gaining experience and knowledge, would also help establish inter-institutional cooperation.

**Activities 3.2.** Improving international mobility of doctoral students and encouraging foreign candidates to enrol in the Faculty's doctoral study programme.

**Activities 3.3.** Increasing the number of visiting researchers at the Faculty and encouraging Faculty professors to participate in activities of other internationally recognisable higher education and research institutions.

**Activities 3.4.** Increasing the number of international conferences, seminars, workshops at the Faculty: organising new/existing scientific consultations, symposia, or conferences in co-organisation with major international, national, or regional related scientific institutions or organisations.

**Activities 3.5.** Encouraging doctoral students to actively participate in national and international scientific conferences.

**Activities 3.6.** Intensifying the application to international projects, training researchers on how to apply, and developing administrative support to researchers in applying to such projects.

**Activity 3.7.** Increasing the number of new contracts or agreements on international cooperation (mobility).

**Activity 3.8.** Encouraging employees to participate in scientific and organisational committees of international scientific conferences, editorial boards of scientific journals and governing bodies of international, regional, and national institutions, associations, and companies related to scientific research.

#### **4. Improving systematic cooperation and transferring knowledge and skills acquired through (doctoral) research**

**Activities 4.1.** Enhancing cooperation with external stakeholders by linking the research activities of the Faculty with the needs of the labour market.

**Activities 4.2.** Improving the quality of enrollment policy: enrollment quotas and the selection of research topics for doctoral students are related to scientific, social, economic, and other needs in accordance with the research areas and topics listed in this document.

**Activities 4.3.** Increasing the number of research projects with a more immediate application.

**Activities 4.4.** Propelling a more significant number of the Alumni Club members to participate in various scientific research activities of the Faculty.

## 8. Performance indicators for the implementation of strategic goals of scientific activity of the University of Zagreb Faculty of Law

### Specific goal 1: Encouraging excellence in scientific research

Activities	Key indicators	Quality monitoring and improvement procedures	Entities/persons responsible	Implementation deadline
1.1.	Number of active scientific projects and programmes funded at the national level and number of European and international projects	Comparison with the previous period	Vice-Dean for Science	Every 5 years
1.2.	Realised employee advancements	Comparison with the previous period	Faculty management	Continuous
1.3.	An established quality system of collecting data on scientific research activities of the Faculty and creating a database	An established database on scientific research activities and a monitoring system	Faculty management	Continuous
1.4.	Number of published papers	Comparison with the previous 5-year period	Faculty Council	Every 5 years
1.5.	Number of journal volumes published	Number and type of published papers in journals, frequency of citation	Journal editorial boards	Continuous

<b>1.6.</b>	Number of applied/approved interdisciplinary projects	Comparison with the previous 5-year period	Faculty management	Every 5 years
<b>1.7.</b>	Number of applied/approved scientific research projects; number of organised events (workshops, colloquia, round tables) related to project applications	Comparison with the previous period; records of to the above activities	Vice-Dean for Science / Vice-Dean for International Cooperation	Every 5 years
<b>1.8.</b>	Number of conferences, seminars, forums, workshops held	Comparison with the previous period; records of activities carried out	Faculty management	Every 5 years
<b>1.9.</b>	List/record of the financial value of scientific research equipment procured through projects and programmes (national and international sources of financing)	Comparison with the previous period	Vice-Dean for Finance	Once a year

**Specific goal 2: Improving the quality of postgraduate university (doctoral) study programmes**

<b>Activities</b>	<b>Key indicators</b>	<b>Quality monitoring and improvement procedures</b>	<b>Entities/persons responsible</b>	<b>Implementation deadline</b>
<b>2.1.</b>	Implementing a new doctoral study programme in legal sciences	Determined by the study programme	Faculty Council	End of 2021

2.2.	Performance of all activities provided for in doctoral study programmes	Implementation of surveys and adoption of reports on work provided for in study programmes	Faculty Council	Once a year
2.3.	Scientific productivity of mentors and doctoral students, monitoring the student pass rate during the study, mentors', doctoral students', and external stakeholders' feedback on the study programme and employment	Publishing papers, regularly conducting surveys, submitting annual reports that monitor, among other things, the pass and completion rates of the studies, proposing measures for improving the quality of PhD studies based on received feedback	Faculty council/head of doctoral study programme	Every five years / in accordance with the internal quality assurance system of each doctoral study programme
2.4.	Number of workshops doctoral study	Number of employees who participated in the workshops	Head of the doctoral study programme	Once a year

	mentors held and visited	on developing the competencies of mentors		
<b>2.5.</b>	Number of PhD students participating in projects; doctoral students' papers published	Doctoral students' successes at mentoring and doctoral conferences; evaluation through surveys	Faculty Council	Every five years / in accordance with the internal quality assurance system of each doctoral study programme
<b>2.6.</b>	Frequency of participation in scientific conferences	Data on the participation of doctoral students	Head of the doctoral study programme	Every five years / in accordance with the internal quality assurance system of each doctoral study programme
<b>2.7.</b>	Number of activities related to encouraging doctoral students to participate in scientific and professional lectures organised by the Faculty	Records of these activities and invitations sent out to doctoral students (via email or notice board on the Faculty website)	Head of the doctoral study programme	Every five years / in accordance with the internal quality assurance system of each doctoral study programme
<b>2.8.</b>	Number of activities related to the promotion of postgraduate (doctoral) study programme and	Records of participation in activities/created promotional materials	Faculty management	Once a year

	number of participants			
<b>2.9.</b>	Admission criteria are prescribed by the call for admission; the criteria for the evaluation of candidates include interviewing the candidates, evaluating their previous academic achievements, interest in scientific research, published papers, recommendations of professors, potential mentors, and their doctoral research proposals (for the doctoral study programme in legal sciences)	Monitoring the research development of doctoral students through annual reports and annual personal research development plan	Head of doctoral studies/Faculty Council	Continuous
<b>2.10.</b>	List of selected research topics, clear and transparent selection of research area, the introduction of a plagiarism prevention programme	Selected or defended topics are publicly available in accordance with regulations; application of programs and other procedures for the	Faculty management/Faculty Council	Every 5 years

		prevention of illicit forms of behaviour		
<b>2.11.</b>	Holding methodological and doctoral conferences, and organising workshops on transferable skills for doctoral students	Evaluations of conferences held during the study programme, evaluation of activities through a survey	Head of doctoral studies/Faculty Council	Every five years / in accordance with the internal quality assurance system of each doctoral study programme

**Specific goal 3: Encouraging international research activities and international recognition of the Faculty's scientific activities**

<b>Activities</b>	<b>Key indicators</b>	<b>Quality monitoring and improvement procedures</b>	<b>Entities/persons responsible</b>	<b>Implementation deadline</b>
<b>3.1.</b>	Number of outgoing and incoming mobility programmes the employees and doctoral students participated in	Comparison with the previous period; records of held activities	Vice-Dean for International Relations	Every 5 years
<b>3.2.</b>	Number of foreign doctoral students at the doctoral study programme, postdoctoral students, and researchers; list	Comparison with the previous period	Head of Doctoral Studies, Vice-Dean for International Cooperation	Every 5 years

	of doctoral study programme activities conducted in English			
<b>3.3.</b>	Number of visiting lecturers/researchers; number of Faculty employees' visits to international higher education institutions	Comparison with the previous period	Vice-Dean for International Relations	Every 5 years
<b>3.4.</b>	List of international conferences/seminars/workshops held	Comparison with the previous period	Vice-Dean for International Cooperation; Faculty Council	Every 5 years
<b>3.5.</b>	Regularly informing doctoral students about international mobility programs and encouraging them to participate, participating in international conferences, participating in guest lectures held by internationally recognised experts,	Data on the international mobility of doctoral students, participation in international conferences/seminars/workshops	Head of Doctoral Studies, Vice-Dean for International Cooperation	Every five years / in accordance with the internal quality assurance system of each doctoral study programme

	participating in international research projects, drafting projects, the possibility of writing a doctoral dissertation in a foreign language, the possibility of taking the Research Methodology in Legal Sciences course in English			
<b>3.6.</b>	Number of projects applied for; number of workshops held	Comparison with previous period; list of projects and records of activities on administrative support for project applications	Vice Dean for International Cooperation /Faculty management	Every 5 years
<b>3.7.</b>	Number of signed international cooperation agreements	Comparison with the previous period; list of agreements	Faculty management	Every 5 years
<b>3.8.</b>	Number of employees participating in committees of international conferences,	Comparison with the previous period; records on the participation of employees	Vice-Dean for International Relations	Every 5 years

	editorial boards of scientific journals and governing bodies of international, regional, and national institutions, associations, companies, and organisations related to scientific research			
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**Specific goal 4: Improving systematic cooperation and transferring knowledge and skills acquired through (doctoral) research**

<b>Activities</b>	<b>Key indicators</b>	<b>Quality monitoring and improvement procedures</b>	<b>Entities/persons responsible</b>	<b>Implementation deadline</b>
<b>4.1.</b>	Number of signed cooperation agreements with external stakeholders, number of doctoral students who do not pursue an academic career,	Comparison with the previous period; evaluating the achieved learning outcomes based on the “labour market requirements” criterion	Faculty Council	Every five years / in accordance with the internal quality assurance system of each doctoral study programme

	meetings with external stakeholders, participation of external stakeholders in the Faculty's working bodies			
<b>4.2.</b>	List of doctoral students' research topics	Projects that help provide funding for doctoral students highlight the scientific needs, while topics and projects that doctoral students who pursue a non-academic career emphasise social and economic needs; comparison of doctoral dissertation topics with topics and areas highlighted for this period	Faculty Council/Head of Doctoral Studies/Chair Heads	Every five years / in accordance with the internal quality assurance system of each doctoral study programme
<b>4.3.</b>	Number of research conducted	Comparison with the previous period	Faculty Council	Every 5 years

	with external stakeholders			
<b>4.4.</b>	Analysis of work and number of meetings held with the alumni	Comparison with the previous period	Faculty management/Alumni Committee	Every 5 years