

CENTRE FOR MIGRATION  
AND REFUGEE LAW  
**CeMiReLa**

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**The Centre for Migration and Refugee Law (CeMiReLa) was established at the Faculty of Law of Charles University in 2022 as an umbrella for more than twenty years of activity in the field of migration and asylum. The Centre connects academics, researchers, judges, state officials and practitioners in migration and refugee law.**

Our Migration Law Programme offers students the opportunity to specialise in this field during their studies. We incorporate new and innovative methods into our teaching, so in our courses students can work on cases in groups using knowledge they have already learnt before classes (flipped classroom method) or participate in a real-life simulation with the Czech Army in the forest using live-action role-playing (larp) as a teaching method, and much more.

In science, we actively pursue challenging topics that require research. Our findings are published in journals and books and presented at conferences. We involve younger colleagues by giving them feedback during scientific seminars and helping them to secure funding for their research. Cooperation with foreign universities is a major contributor to our rapid development and we are especially thankful to our colleagues at the Centre for Migration Law in Nijmegen (Radboud University, the Netherlands) for their generous support. Although we did not organise a conference this year, we are excited to host an ESIL-sponsored conference next year!

We educate the public about refugees and migration in general. This is accomplished through various means including lectures, roundtable discussions and appearances in the media.



Věra Honusková  
Head of **CeMiReLa**

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## CENTRE STAFF



## CORE MEMBERS

### Senior members

**Věra Honusková,**

head and founder of the Centre, academic,  
Faculty of Law, Charles University.

**Eliška Flídrová,**

deputy head of the Centre,  
academic, Faculty of Law, Charles University,  
immigration attorney (currently on maternity leave).

**Kateřina Radová,**

Ph.D. candidate, Faculty of Law, Charles University,  
Office of the Government Agent before the ECHR,  
Ministry of Justice.

**Enes Zaimović,**

Ph.D. candidate, Faculty of Law, Charles University,  
junior immigration attorney.

### Junior members

**Tomáš Svoboda,**

MA student, Faculty of Law, Charles University.

**Sára Barčáková,**

MA student, Faculty of Law, Charles University.

## External members

**Linda Janků,**

lawyer at the Public Defender of Rights Office

**Nataša Chmelíčková,**

lawyer at the Ministry of the Interior  
of the Czech Republic

**Pavel Pořízek,**

head of the Public Defender of Rights Office

**David Kryška,**

judge at the Prague Regional Court

**Ota Hlinomaz,**

UNHCR staff at the international professional category



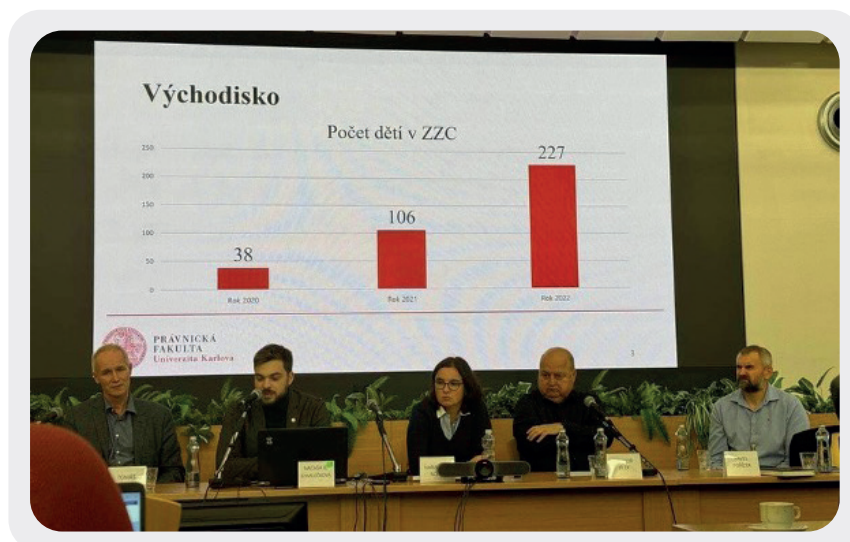
## PUBLICATIONS

This year we focused our attention on temporary protection, so the results of our work include:

- **Zaimović, E. “The Temporariness of Temporary Protection.”** In Pořízek P., Jílek D. (eds.) Ročenka uprchlického a cizineckého práva 2022. Brno: Public Defender of Rights Office, 2023, pp. 141-165.
- **Zaimović, E. “EU and the Mass Influx From Ukraine: Is There a Future for Temporary Protection?”** In Croatian Yearbook of European Law and Policy, 2023 (forthcoming).
- **Honusková, V. European Response to the Mass Influx of People Caused by the Russian Invasion of Ukraine: Testing the Limits of International Refugee Law,** In International and Comparative Law Review: special issue International Law and the Russian Invasion of Ukraine. Volume 23 (2023), p. 53-71, <https://doi.org/10.2478/iclr-2023-0003>.
- **Honusková, V., Zaimović, E. Temporary protection as a bridge between Ukraine and Czechia: An unexpected choice of where to stay and how.** In J. Handrlica, V. Sharp, L. Serhiichuk (eds). Ukrainian Law and the Law of the Czech Republic: An (Un)Expected Encounter, Bucharest-Paris-Calgary: Ad Juris Publishing, 2023 (conference proceedings).



## Active Participation of Centre Members in Conferences and Seminars



## XX. Jean Monnet Seminar: Advances Issues of European Law The Challenges of Solidarity Resurfacing in the EU (Dubrovnik, Croatia).



**Enes Zaimović** presented his paper “**The Forgotten Notion of Solidarity and the Temporary Protection Directive**”.



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Roundtable on „**Ukrainian Law and the Law of the Czech Republic: An Unexpected Encounter**”  
(Prague, Czech Republic).

**Věra Honusková** and **Enes Zaimović** presented their paper “**Temporary Protection as a Rediscovered Tool of International Protection**”.



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Conference on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the Department of European Law of the Faculty of Law of Charles University (Prague, Czech Republic).

**Věra Honusková** presented her paper “The competing jurisdictions of the CJEU and the ECtHR in asylum and refugee law: current problem or unlikely future”.

Annual Conference on Migration and Refugee Law at the Public Defender of Rights office (Brno, Czech Republic).

**Věra Honusková** presented her paper “Reintroduction of controls at the internal border between the Czech Republic and Slovakia”.

**Enes Zaimović** presented his paper “Temporary protection in 2023: what durable solution for Ukrainian citizens?”

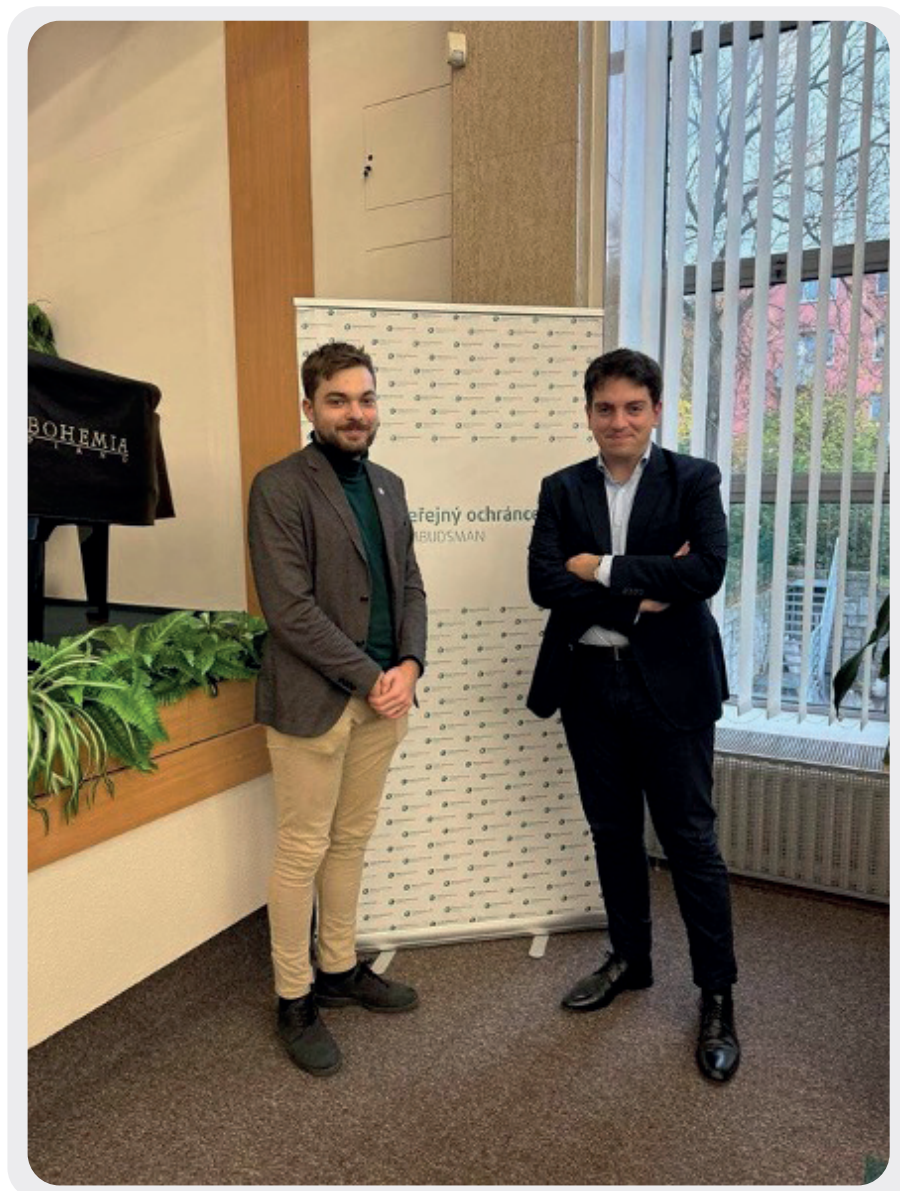
**Tomáš Svoboda** presented his paper “Detention of families with minors in the context of the ECHR: Does the Foreign Nationals Act provide effective protection off human rights?”

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**Annual Conference on Migration and Refugee Law  
at the Public Defender of Rights office:**



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## FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS OBTAINED

### **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

Shaping the Future of the Czech Refugee Law and Policy: UNHCR support for students of migration and refugee law.

### **International Visegrad Fund**

Shelter law-making. Legal response to massive migration caused by Russian aggression against Ukraine, as partners. Project consortium formed by Institute of Legal Science (Poland, coordinator of the project), Trnava University (Slovakia), Centre for Social Sciences (Hungary).



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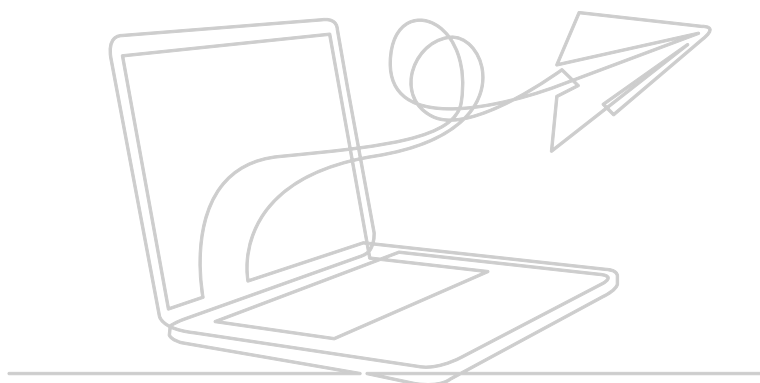
## Grant Agency of the Charles University (GA UK)

**Enes Zaimović, project GA UK No. 248023:** Temporary Protection in 2022: Repatriation as a Durable Solution for Ukrainian Citizens?

**Tomáš Svoboda, project GA UK No. 214223:** Detention of Foreign Minors in the Migration Context: Empirical Legal Research.

## Scholarships

**Sára Barčáková, AKTION Program** Czech Republic – Austria – Collaboration in Science and Education.



## TEACHING

### Courses taught in 2023:

**Asylum and Refugee Law**

**Věra Honusková, Enes Zaimović**

**Migration Law**

**Věra Honusková, David Kryška, Enes Zaimović**

**Migration and Environment**

**Věra Honusková**

**Legal Clinic in a Non-Governmental Organization**

**Věra Honusková**

**Legal Practice in Law Firms with a Focus on Migration Law**

**Věra Honusková, Eliška Flídrová**

**Simulation in the Field of Migration Law**

Camp Peira, organized in collaboration with the Center for International Humanitarian and Operational Law (CIHOL) at the Faculty of Law, Palacký University, and the Czech Army

**Věra Honusková**

**Current Issues of International Migration Law**

guest lecturer **Marcin Gońda**, University of Lodz, Poland.

## EVENTS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES ORGANIZED BY THE CENTRE



**Winter School on Migration:** Integration measures in municipalities – balancing law, security, and social harmony. Organized in cooperation with IOM; February 15-17, 2023.

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**Lecture through interactive game with students delivered by Karen Geertsema** (Centre for Migration Law, Radboud University), March 20, 2023.

Lecture on **“Temporary Protection of Ukrainians in the Netherlands”** delivered by **Karen Geertsema** (Centre for Migration Law, Radboud University), March 21, 2023.





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Lecture on “**Sea Level Rise, Human Mobility, and International Law**” delivered by **Elisa Fornalé** (Swiss National Science Foundation), April 19, 2023.



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Lecture on the “**Transformation of Migration and Integration Policies in the Post-Soviet Area**” delivered by **Marcin Gońda** (University of Lodz, Poland), November 6, 2023.



## AND MUCH MORE...

Discussion on the Faculty Night Festival with **Aleš Benedikt** about “**Controls at the EU Internal Border**” (Foreign Police, Czechia), November 15, 2023.

Discussion on “**ECHR Jurisprudence in the Field of Migration**” with **Kateřina Radová** (Ministry of Justice, Czechia), December 1, 2023.

Discussion about UNHCR activities with **Ota Hlinomaz** (UNHCR), December 12, 2023.

Lecture on „**Schengen Information System and Other Databases**“ delivered by **Michael Weiss** (SIRENE, Police, Czechia), April 27, 2023.

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