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*Iryna Dikovska*

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“Legal Regulation of International Succession  
Relationships in Ukraine: Conflict of Laws  
and Some Substantive Law Issues”

Wednesday, 20 September 2017 – 4:00 pm

Conference Room 1, 1st floor

All employees and guests of the Institute as well as  
other interested parties are cordially invited to the lecture.

Eugenia Kurzynsky-Singer

*About the Speaker:*

*Iryna Dikovska* is a professor in the Civil Law Department of the Law Faculty at the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv. At present, she is a visiting research scholar at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law.

*About the Topic:*

The presentation will focus on characteristics of international succession relationships under Ukrainian law. The talk will first analyze the conflict-of-law regulation for succession relationships under the Ukrainian Statute titled "On International Private Law", which includes the main body of conflict-of-law rules applicable to succession relationships. The Statute was adopted in 2005 and now, more than a decade later, its gaps (including the ones regarding succession relationships) are obvious. As the latest conflict-of-law developments in the area international succession relationships were assembled in the EU Succession Regulation, the presentation will also discuss the possibility of using the approaches of the EU Succession Regulation in Ukrainian law. As far as the use of the conflict-of-law rules may in some cases lead to the application of Ukrainian law, the second part of the talk will address the types of wills that are invalid under Ukrainian Law and the grounds for having a will declared invalid. To the extent that Ukrainian law recognizes conditional wills, special attention will be given to the illegality of the conditions of the will.