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# “TOWARDS A BETTER FUTURE: DEMOCRACY, EU INTEGRATION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE”

Bitola, Republic of Macedonia  
10 – 12 May, 2019

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Democracy itself, today dominantly established as representative is all-entailing and layered, subsequently, its scientific legal or political treatment might refer to numerous aspects. Most commonly accepted criterion for functional democracy is the existence of real elections - the type of the elections, the realistic representation of the interests of the societal segments and interest groups. However, it is inevitable to address the forms of direct democracy, specific democratic tools on central and local level, as well as the democratic institutions and procedures which would guarantee the realization of human rights and would factor in the public opinion and public discourse in the decision making process.

Democracy, protection and advancement of human rights, citizens' participation, peace, good governance and institution building are part of the essential values of the European Union which represent significant portion of the motive of EU member states and of the neighboring countries to belong to the context of this political and legal entity, the most advanced worldwide in terms of promoting and practicing of these axiological concepts. Still, EU and the process of European integration is complex and as every complex economic, political and legal system, it faces substantial challenges in every area, as well. The EU challenges are also reflected in the area of security as common European motive, in compliment to new trends, migrant currents and the policies and regulative which must be in accordance with said circumstances; then, terrorism, financial and electronic criminal, trading with people etc., all the while the classic challenges are not negligible. The foreign policy is also of great importance for the EU, as means of the EU to position itself in the international community as an important factor, simultaneously affecting internal welfare and prosperity. EU foreign policy is remarkably complex and interconnected with numerous areas, including relations with both strong partners and opponents, relations with the neighbors, the special status of the Western Balkans and its EU entrance perspectives, creation of EU's own military force, foreign trade policy and representation in the international organizations.

From another aspect, the need of integration and improvement of national legal systems surfaces in the area of repressing criminal actions. Criminality constantly changes its form, according to the social and political circumstances in each state and specific regions, while the criminal law is generally characterized by its mitigation, turning towards alternative penal measures and by changing the focus from retributive justice and repression towards restorative justice and prevention. Yet, certain severe criminal acts, especially the ones concerning life and physical integrity of the person, simultaneously surpassing state borders and contain complexity in the forethought and organization, deserve due attention of criminology and contemporary legal systems

for the purpose of securing peace, protection and security of the citizens. The system of criminal justice represents a complex network of institutional and governmental bodies which aim is not only identification of criminals, but it is also providing adequate sanction aimed towards their re-socialization and recovery in the community as constructive individuals. The criminal justice is tightly connected to the realization of human rights and freedoms, therefore related to the concepts of rule of law and democracy, which, as mentioned, are focal axiological points of the EU. The dichotomy of security on one hand and human freedom, on the other, are centuries-old dilemma and ever spark reevaluation of the right ratio between these two notions.

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