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Review of the opening ceremony of the academic year on 30 September 2017

December 12, 2017

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Cujas Lecture hall

On 30 September 2017, the European School of Law held its opening ceremony for its third academic year, with Jean-Paul Costa in attendance. He was a president of the European Court of Human Rights and the current president of the International Institute of Human Rights - René Cassin Foundation, as well as patron of ESL for 2017-2018.

The public filled the Cujas lecture hall in the old faculties building to hear the speeches of Mr Nelidoff, dean of the law faculty; Mr Banquet, IRDEIC director - Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence; Mr Steinmann, judge of the Court of Cassation and president of the School's Strategic Direction Committee; Mr Bioy, public law professor; Mr Costa, patron of the school year; and Ms Mastor, director of the European School of Law. For personal reasons, Ms Mascala, president of Toulouse 1 Capitole University, was unable to attend the ceremony but passed on a message of support to the School and congratulations to the laureates.

After the speeches, the educational coordinators of the different ESL programmes, bilingual degrees and double degrees had the pleasure of awarding a certificate to the three top students of each particular course and year for their excellent results. The certificates were signed by the patron and the director of the ESL.

Also present were some special guests representing partner universities: Mr Marrani (director of the Jersey Institute of Law), Ms Paris (University College Dublin), Mr Cahill (Bangor University) and Mr Otto (University of Passau).

After the traditional mortarboard throwing at the entrance to the hall, all were invited to a cocktail to close this congenial ceremony.

Click the link to see photos of the ceremony
[ESL opening ceremony 2017 powerpoint](#)

Clip of the ceremony:

Full videos of speeches and award of certificates :

Speech by Philippe Nelidoff, dean of the faculty of law and political science

Speech by Bruno Steinmann, president of the ESL's Strategic Direction Committee, co-president of 'Toulouse European City of Law', judge of the Court of Cassation

Speech by Marc Blanquet, member of the ESL's Strategic Direction Committee and holder of the Jean Monnet Chair - Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence

Speech by Xavier Bioy, public law professor, Toulouse 1 Capitole University

Speech by Wanda Mastor, director of the European School of Law

Speech by Jean-Paul Costa, president of the International Institute of Human Rights - René Cassin Foundation, former president of the European Court of Human Rights and honorary councillor of State

Video of the awarding of certificates to the laureates of the European School of Law:

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