This conference addresses, perhaps for the first time, the issue of fundamental rights from the European and Chinese perspectives, a topic which has traditionally been considered a sort of taboo.

The understanding of the core values enshrined in the respective legal systems can favour mutual comprehension and, thus a more fruitful dialogue in the future.

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Within CESL, CIRDE - that for over a decade has investigated fundamental rights at an European level - was awarded a grant to develop a research on fundamental rights and values in Europe and China ("Fundamental rights between national identity and universalism").

The aim of this conference is not to compare in a sort of "competitive" way the two different systems but to promote a dialogue about what are the fundamental values in the respective societies. Since fundamental values can be the roots for individual rights, the research will assess bow fundamental rights may stem from fundamental values. The analysis will start from the common and universal rules of International Law, therefore it will move to an exam of the developing systems in Europe and China.

The speakers of the first day are national and international experts and members of European and International institutions. During the second day, Italian PhD candidates in EU Law and Chinese candidates from the different PhD programmes of the "Scuola di Scienze Giuridiche" (Law School) will discuss the results of their joint and parallel research.

The event aims to foster the institutional and academic relations with the People's Republic of China.

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Between identities and universalism

28th and 29th May 2012

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Monday, May 28th - 15.00^h - 18.30^h

15.00^h - Welcome

Ivano Dionigi, Magnifico Rettore dell'Università di Bologna **Giovanni Luchetti,** Dean of the Faculty of Law of the University of Bologna

 ${\it 1}^{\it st}$ SESSION - Fundamental rights as an expression of fundamental values in Europe

Chair: Jean Paul Jacqué, Professor of International and European Union Law at the University of Strasbourg and Honorary Member of the Legal Service of the EU Council

Speakers:

Fundamental values and fundamental rights in international law

Fausto Pocar, Professor at the University of Milan, Appeal Judge and Past President of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia

The fundamental values behind the ECHR Vladimiro Zagrebelsky, Former judge of the European Court of Fundamental Rights and Director of the Fundamental Rights Laboratory

Fundamental values and fundamental rights in the European Union

Lucia Serena Rossi, Professor of European Union Law at the University of Bologna and Director of CIRDE

The accession of the European Union to the European Convention on Human Rights Florence Benoît Robmer, Professor of Public Law at the University of Strasbourg

16.30^h

2nd SESSION – Fundamental rights as an expression of fundamental values in China

Chair: Emilio De Capitani, Former Secretary of the European Parliament Civil Liberties Committee (LIBE)

Speakers:

Legal fundamental values with Chinese characteristics

Marina Timoteo, Professor of Comparative Private Law at the University of Bologna and Director of the Bologna Confucius Institute

Fundamental principles to achieve international human rights standards in China

Pinghua Sun, Director of the Centre for International Human Rights

Legal Remedies for the protection of fundamental rights in China

Wang Xiumei, Professor of International Law at the Northwest University of Politics and Law, China The individual's rights in criminal justice in China

Yang Yuguan, Professor at the Procedural Law Research Center, China University of Political Science and Law

18.00^h Discussion

Tuesday, May 29th - 9.15 h - 13.00 h

9.00^h - Welcome

Franco Mastragostino, Direttore della Scuola di Dottorato in Scienze Giuridiche

3rd SESSION – Comparing the European and Chinese systems: selected case studies

Chair: Marco Balboni, Professor of International Law at the University of Bologna and Vice Director of CIRDE

Discursive Features of the Less Powerful in Courtroom Trials in China

Li Li, Dean of Foreign Language School of China University School of Political Science and Law

Fair trial, due process and the rights of defence in the EU legal order

Marco Borraccetti, Senior Lecturer and Researcher, Faculty of Political Science "Roberto Ruffilli", University of Bologna

Freedom of religion in European Law

Mauro Gatti, PhD Candidate at the University of Bologna

Freedom of religion in China
Li Xue, PhD Candidate at the University of Bologna

Citizenship Rights in China Han Yu, PbD Candidate at the University of Bologna

Citizenship Rights in the EU Giovanni Zaccaroni, PhD Candidate at the University of Bologna

The protection of property rights in China Wu Lan, PhD Candidate at the University of Bologna

The protection of property rights under the ECHR and the EU Charter Valeria Bonavita, PbD, University of Bologna

The right of economic initiative in the European Union

Andrea Usai, PhD Candidate at the University of Bologna

The right of economic initiative in China **Zhou Jie**, PhD Candidate at the University of Bologna

13.00^h Discussion

13.30^h Buffet lunch