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### CIRSFID

- Interdepartmental Research Centre in Legal History, Legal Philosophy and Sociology and Computer Science and Law of the University of Bologna
- Founded in 1986 by Enrico Pattaro
- Very active in European research projects, national research projects, international initiatives
- Very active in the standardisation technical committees like NormeInRete, Akoma Ntoso, CEN Metalex, OASIS
- Two Doctorates (ICT Law and Bioethics) and one Master on ICT Law of the University of Bologna
- Staff of about 70 people: professors, researchers, research associates, Ph.D. students, ICT support staff, administrative support staff





Since

- 1989 **Two Doctorates**: ICT Law and Bioethics
  - ICT LAW
    - European Projects: ALIVE, TRIAS, LEFIS, ALFEBIITE, ESTRELLA, ALIS, LEGAL-IST e SEAL, in coordination with EULISP (*European Legal Informatics Study Programme*)
    - LEFIS LEgal Framework for the Information Society
    - Computer Forensics initiatives: EECTF, IISFA

**Bioethics** 

- Ethics and the legal issues connected with: genetics, nano-medicine, environment
- 2002 Master's course of Legal Informatics and ICT Law at the Bologna University School of Law, in coordination with EULISP
- 2006 Summer School in Legislative XML Ravenna
- 2012 Summer School in Law and Logic Fiesole, EUI, Florence



### CIRSFID's areas of activity

#### Cirsfid is active in the following areas:



Philosophy and Sociology of Law



ICT LAW and Legal Informatics

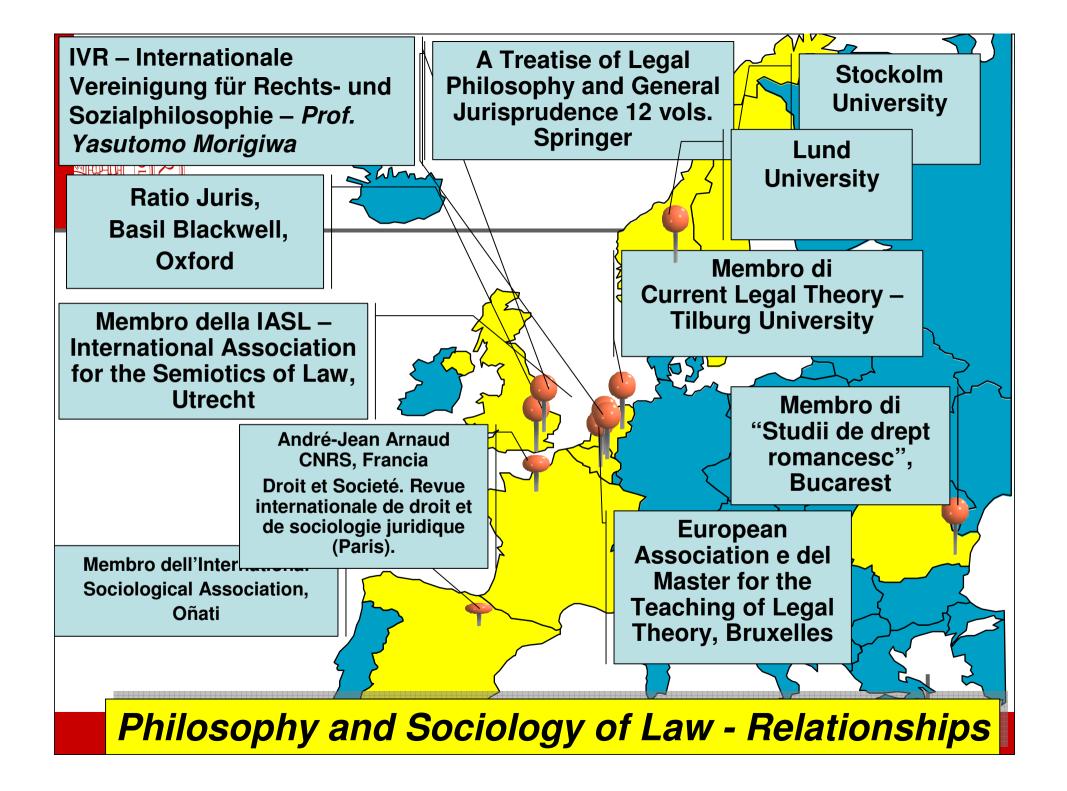


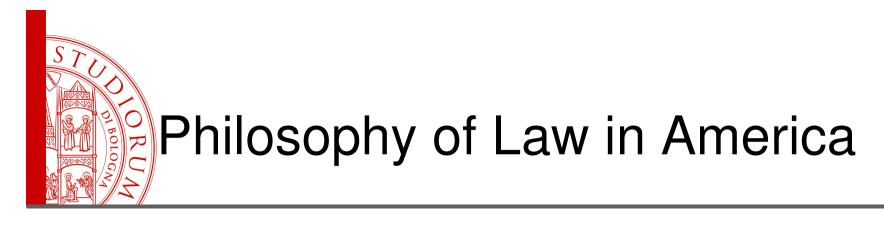
**Bioethics and Law** 



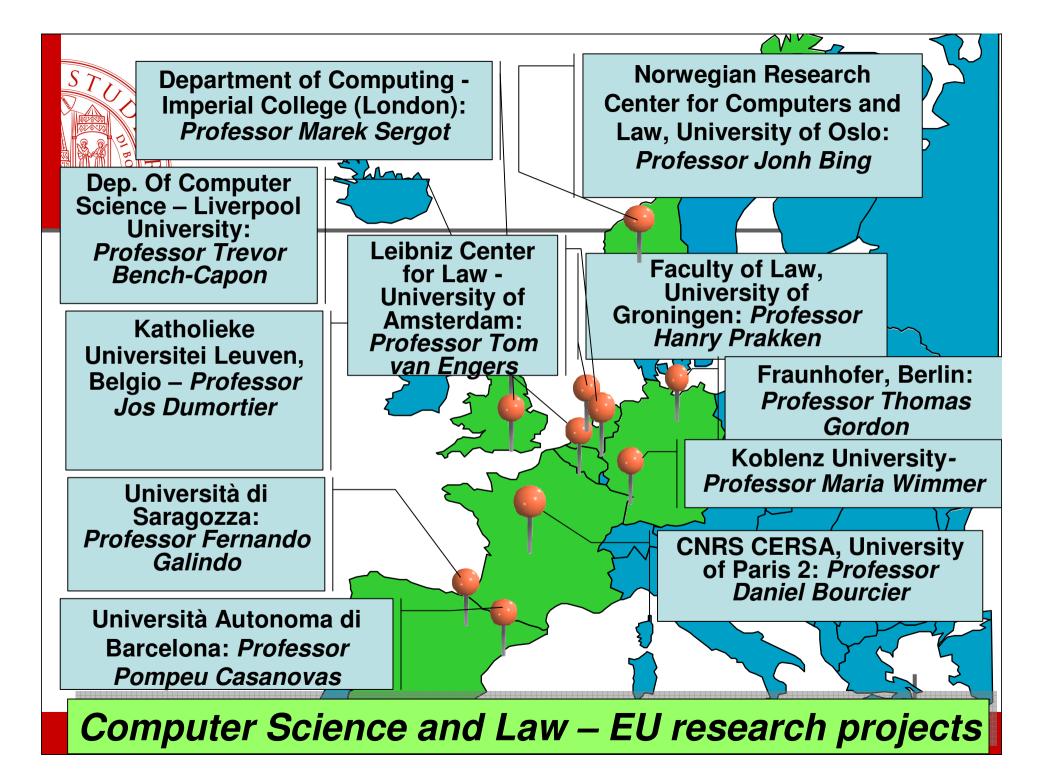
History of Law

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- International Statutory Interpretation Project, Cornell University
- Member of Center for Semiotic Research in Law Government and Economics, Pennsylvania State University
- Archivios Latinoamericanos de Metodología y Filosofía del Derecho, Universidad de Carabobo, Venezuela
- Anuarío de Filosofía Juridíca y Social, Valparaiso, Chile



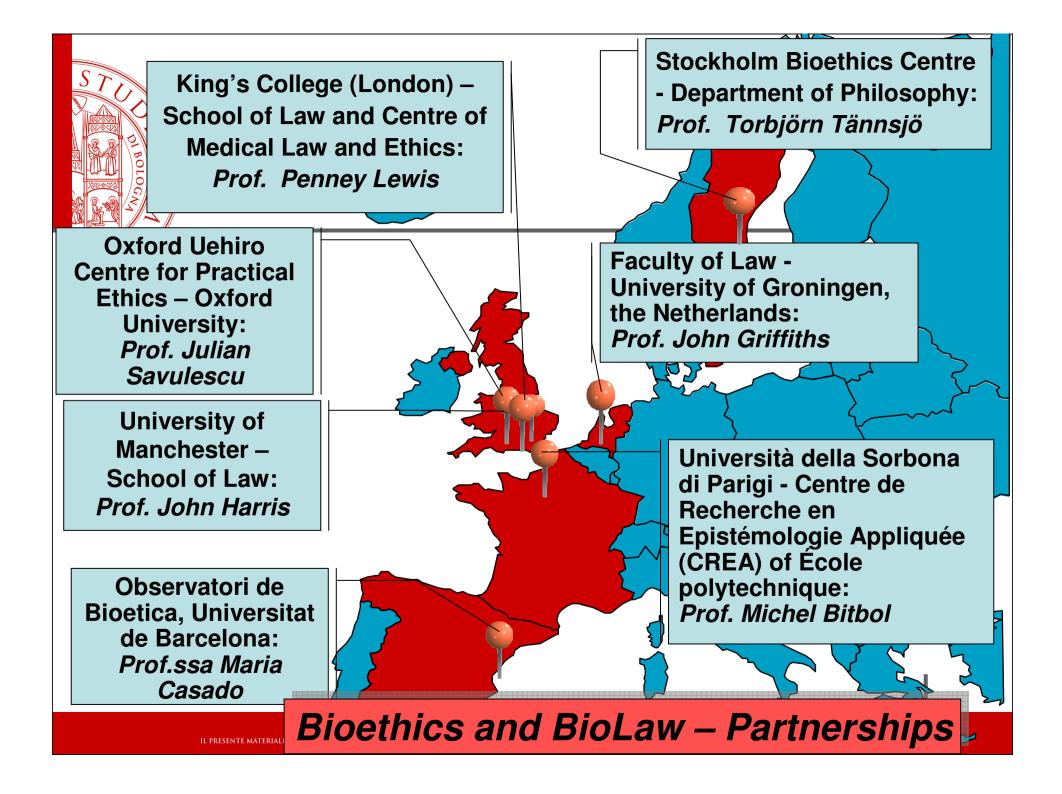
# ICT LAW and Legal Informatics in Europe

- Faculty of Law, University of Groningen: Professor Hanry Prakken
- Leibniz Center for Law University of Amsterdam: *Professor Tom van Engers*
- Norwegian Research Center for Computers and Law, University of Oslo: Professor Jonh Bing
- Department of Computing Imperial College (London): Professor Marek
  Sergot
- Department of Computer Science Liverpool University: *Professor Trevor* Bench-Capon
- Corvinus University of Budapest Department of Computer Science
- Fraunhofer, Berlin: *Professor Thomas Gordon*
- Koblenz University: Professor Maria Wimmer
- Katholieke Universitei Leuven, Belgio: Professor Jos Dumortier
- CNRS CERSA, University of Paris 2: Professor Daniel Bourcier
- Università Autonoma di Barcelona: Professor Pompeu Casanovas
- Università di Saragozza: Professor Fernando Galindo

# STUDIORUM

# ICT LAW and Legal Informatics in America

- Cooperation with:
  - Stanford University, School of Law Prof. Michael Genesereth
  - College of Computer and Information Science, Northeastern University – *Prof. Carole D. Hafner*
  - University of Pittsburgh, School of Law Prof. Kevin D. Ashley
  - Cornell University, Legal Information Institute, Law School
    - Thomas R. Bruce
  - University of Montevideo, School of Law



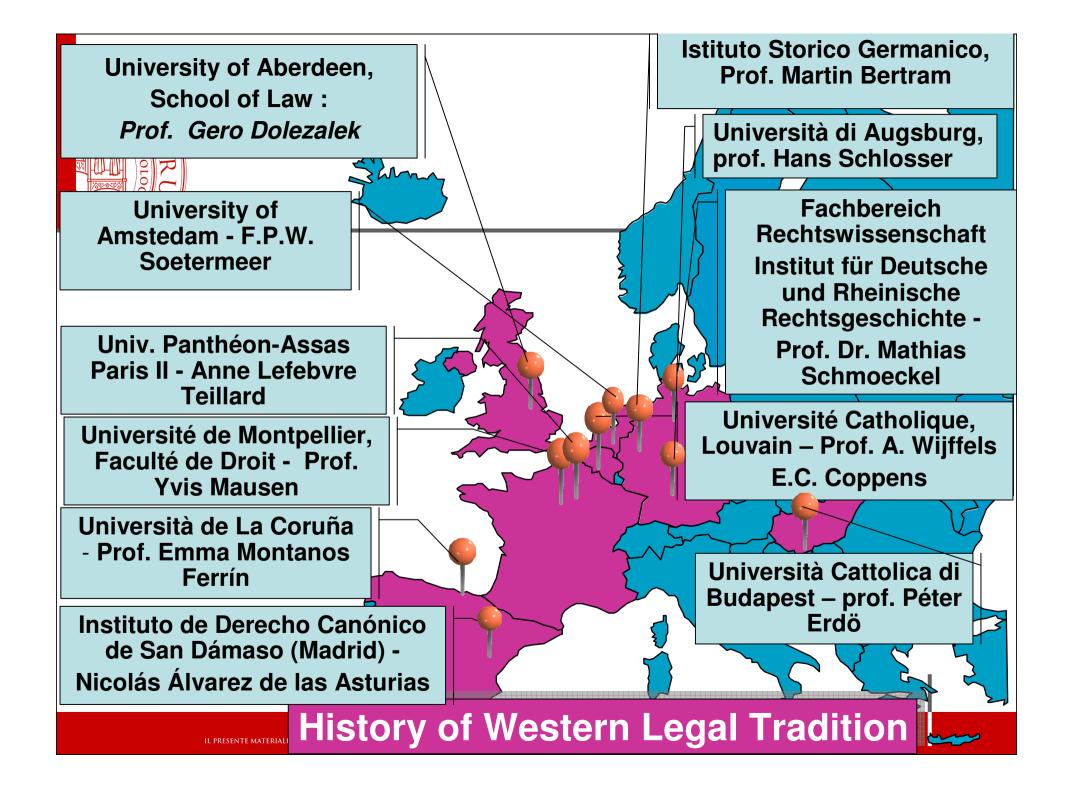


### **Bioethics in Europe**

- Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics Oxford University: Professor Julian Savulescu
- University of Manchester School of Law: *Professor John Harris*
- King's College (London) School of Law and Centre of Medical Law and Ethics: Professor Penney Lewis
- Observatori de Bioetica, Universitat de Barcelona: *Prof.ssa Maria Casado*
- Sorbone Paris Centre de Recherche en Epistémologie Appliquée (CREA) of École polytechnique: *Prof. Michel Bitbol*
- Faculty of Law University of Groningen, the Netherlands: *Professor John Griffiths*
- Stockholm Bioethics Centre Department of Philosophy: Professor Torbjörn Tännsjö

# Bioethics in the United States

- Hunter College of The City University of New York- Political Science Department : *Prof.ssa Joan Tronto*
- Boston College: Prof. Charles Baron
- Harvard School of Public Health and Department of the History of Science: *Prof.ssa Sheila Jasanoff*
- Stanford Center for Law and the Biosciences Stanford
  University: *Prof. Hank Greely*





### History of Law in America

- The Catholic University of America, Washington D.C *Prof. Kenneth Pennington*
- Bronx University Prof. Wolfgang P. Mueller
- Harvard School of Law Prof. Charles Donahue
- International School of IUS Comune of ERICE



# **ICT and Law Group**

The group includes both lawyers and experts coming from the schools engineering, mathematics, physics, business, philosophy, and information science

- It has taken part in several Italian and European projects since its inception in 1986
- Among the most recent ones are SEAL, ESTRELLA, ALIS, LEGAL-IST, LEFIS, and TRIAS-TELEMATICA, ALFEBIITE, and ALIVE
- The activities may be considered divided in two sectors:
  - ICT LAW
  - LEGAL INFORMATICS and LEGAL KNOWLEDGE MODELLING
  - ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & LAW
  - FORENSIC INFORMATICS

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#### ICT LAW and ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & LAW

This group specialises in the legal issues connected with the development and use of new technologies and with the legal challenges posed by artificial intelligence. Its focus areas have been or are:

- **1. Intellectual Property Rights in the Information Society**
- 2. Electronic signatures and documents
- 3. Electronic commerce
- 4. Privacy and data protection
- 5. Legal aspects involving intelligent agents and multi-agent systems
- 7. Expert systems
- 8. Security and trust in open systems
- 9. Virtual Organisations

**10. Virtual and electronic institutions** 



#### LEGAL INFORMATICS and LEGAL KNOWLEDGE MODELLING

 This interdisciplinary group studies the application of informatics in law, and works on issues pertaining to organizations such as law firms, courts, and parliaments, focussing in particular on e-Government, ICT architecture and the related legal issues. Its focus areas have been or are:

#### ICT Legal Sources Modelling

- modelling legal resources with legal XML and Semantic Web
- legal information systems applications using XML technologies & NLP
- e-Legislation, e-Parliament and e-Participation for modelling the document management flow
- legal ontologies and reasoning
- XML project in Parliament (European Parliament, Pan-African Parliament, Latin American Parliament)
- XML legal knowledge modelling of law and judgment for legal reasoning with non-monotonic and non-deductive logic.
- e-Government
- e-Content; high-resolution images of rare law books from the 10th, 12th, and 13th centuries



#### Legal Rules Modelling and Legal Reasoning

- Active members in RuleML
  - NICTA cooperation with Brisbane branch
- Editor-in-Chief of AI&LAW
- Member of IAAL
- ICAIL International Conference on ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE and LAW
- Best paper ECAI 2011
- RuleML2012 Challange Winner
- Doctoral Consortium Best paper in RuleML2012



International Association for Artificial Intelligence and Law



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#### Legal XML and Semantic Web

#### Africa

- Guidelines for Legislative Drafting for Pan-African Parliament
- AKOMA NTOSO Parliament XML standard United Nations
- Kenya and South Africa

#### Latin America

- Senate of Uruguay for modelling bill lifecycle in XML
- IABD Interamerican Bank for Development: Legal XML for all the Latin American Parliaments
- USA
  - LegalXML OASIS
    - eCourt filing standard for courts
    - Transformational Government Framework
  - Stanford University Open Gov Initiative
- CH Federal Chancellery of Switzerland for managing the publication of the official collection in XML
- Official Gazzette of Italy XML and Semantic web annotation



#### AKOMA NTOSO

Architecture for Knowledge-Oriented Management of African Normative Texts using Open Standards and Ontologies







OASIS 🕅



Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft Confédération suisse Confederazione Svizzera Confederaziun svizra



ISTITUTO POLIGRAFICO E ZECCA DELLO STATO



#### eLaw and eJustice

- ICT4LAW in cooperation with the University of Turin for developing tools in eLegislation area
- "Fill the Gap" research project for modelling legal document
  and rules using XML and OWL techniques
- Akoma Ntoso and LegalRuleML XML standardisation projects in OASIS
- UN/DESA, EU Parliament, Senate of Italy cooperation for developing legal drafting tools in open source platform
- Graph visualization of the legal document
- Consultant in the European project *eCodex* in the eJustice domain
- eJustice projects at the National level with the Court of Cassation, Tribunal of Bologna and Ravenna



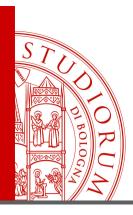
#### eGov and eHealth

- **Digital signature** techniques in the eGov online services
- Consultant of the Government Agency for ICT in the Public Administration Agenda
- Open data juridical evaluation: Report for the Emilia Romagna Region
- Cloud Computing in the Public Administration: A report for the Municipality of Ravenna
- eHealth project for managing privacy by design in the *Electronic Health Record*
- Biobank for medical sector



### Legal digital library

- Irnerio project: 165.000 images of the medioeval era on Accursio and Irnerio work
- Mosaico project: Authenticum manuscripts
  annotated in XML
- Multimedia repository for archiving terrorism judiciary acts semantically annotated

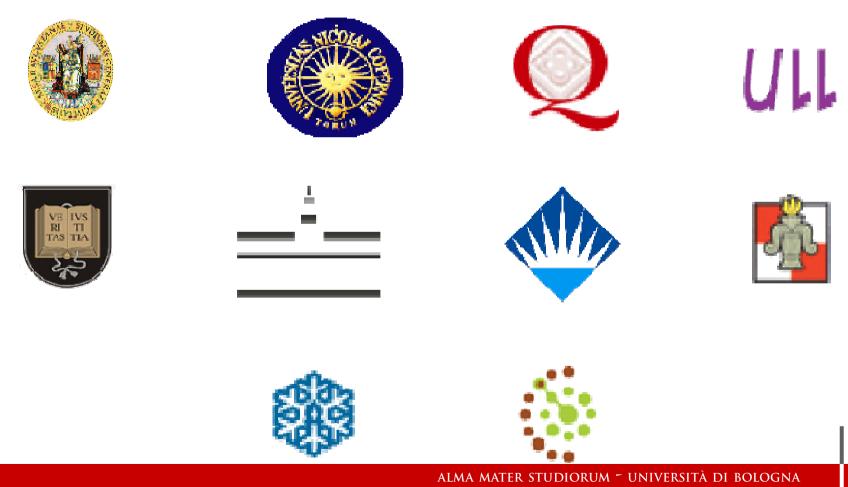


#### LEFIS LEgal Framework for the Information Society

- Socrates Thematic Network
- Tuning reference in the topics object of LEFIS: Juridical Thematic Network
- ELFA European Law Faculties Association: Tuning reference in the subject Law
- 130 Universities and institutions



#### LAUSICT Shared Virtual Campus



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#### ICT forensics

- Exam of evidences during enforcement and court trial either from the technical view point and from the legal one
- Topics include: cyber crime; methods to investigate cyber crime, focusing on requirements for collection and reporting of evidence for possible use in criminal cases
- Overview of the forensic relevance of encryption; the examination of digital evidence for clues, and the most effective way to present evidence and conclusions in a court of law; investigative tools and techniques used in computer forensics
- Data acquisition and digital evidence preservation, according to the standards required for presentation in an (Italian) trial
- Investigation on electronic mail; investigative reporting



#### **BIOETHICS and BIOLAW**

This interdisciplinary group focuses mainly on ethics and the legal issues connected with:

- **1. Genetics;** recent developments in medical genetics, with a view to offering genetic counselling and working out the scientific, technical, ethical, and legal implications involved in applying technology
- **2. Nanomedicine;** the impact that nanotechnologies have on diagnostic, therapeutic, and regenerative medicine, paying attention to the tools and strategies for risk management and analysis
- **3. Environmental ethics;** ethics concerned with the environment, the human species, and relations among humans and environment



#### Conclusions

- Twenty-five years of pioneering, application-oriented and systematic activities in ICT Law and Legal informatics
- Wide experience in international research activities, with strong European participation in projects, initiatives and excellence networks
- Trustable and committed researchers