

**European University of Rome Jean Monnet Chair in EU Innovation Policy “Advanced Studies on Intellectual Property Rights Strategy in Europe”**

**CALL FOR PAPERS**

The Jean Monnet Chair in EU Innovation Policy at the European University of Rome will hold a Series of 6 Friday Seminars –between March and May 2021 - and a Workshop on 26 April 2021 in Rome, on the following topic:

**Intellectual Property Rights Strategy in Europe**

The digital market is a complex, networked multi-layered ecosystem. Services delivered using these networks are changing over time, progressively increasing in scale and scope, and rapidly embracing all markets and social environments. The digital ecosystem is therefore populated and influenced by a wide range of diverse market actors, having a broad scope of activities.

In this context, the European Commission aims to shape the EU Digital Single Market (DSM) by inter alia ensuring: a) fairness and proportionality in addressing a variety of interests; b) maintaining IP as a reward legal system to ensure that creators and innovators are protected for their contribution to the progress and the cultural diversity; c) modernising liability rules and enforcement provisions so as to take into due account if and to which extent actors profit and take advantage from access, processing and circulation of protected IP content; d) modernised on-line copyright rules which can address emerging issues related to the new models for content distribution.

Therefore, both IP and competition are complementary tools to govern complexity and to boost innovation within the digital single market. However, it is often controversial what is the more efficient combination of competition and IP rights and what are the most effective conditions to maximise incentives for innovation, boost innovative investments, minimise the risk of opportunistic behaviours, and create sufficient competition safeguards in order to avoid anticompetitive illicit behaviours.

**SUBMISSION OF PAPERS** The objective of the Series of Seminars and Workshop is to explore those issues concerning the “Innovation and IP Strategy in the Digital Single Market” with an interdisciplinary approach. To this aim, law and economics scholars, phd candidates, researchers, as well as industry experts are invited to submit **DRAFT PAPERS** or **EXTENDED ABSTRACTS** no later than 30 March 2021. Authors will be informed by 15 April 2021, at the latest, whether they have been selected for the “Seminars and Workshop Series”. Each paper will be evaluated by two independent reviewers. Authors of selected papers shall finally submit by 26 April 2021 the final version of their contribution, that will be published on the conference website and on the Proceedings. Please send your submissions to Prof. Valeria Falce (Valeria.Falce@unier.it). You will receive a confirmation of receipt within a few days from submission.