

# The Norwegian Association for Legal Philosophy, Norsk Forening for Rettsfilosofi (NFRf)

*arranges its*

*Summer Meeting 2014 on Wednesday 4. June at 1800h*

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**Kaarlo Tuori**

will make a presentation under the title

## **Ratio et Voluntas – The Tension Between Reason and Will in Law**

The book *Ratio et Voluntas* is a study in the evolution of modern Western law, from the Historical School, to Legal Positivism, Legal Realism, Analytic Jurisprudence and further on to the present situation of Legal Pluralism, Democratic legislation, Critical Legal Thinking and Multi-layered institutions of law. Tuori discusses the notions of rationality in legal positivism, legal realism and rule-of-law principles in relation to current legal-sociological insights and their more pluralistic and global landscapes of law. He combines the deep structures of law and legal thinking with the realism of current more pluralistic and democratic structures. He discusses the tension between the traditions of *ratio* and rule-of-law, and the political and democratic *voluntas* of law. The presentation will take its point of departure in the book *Ratio et Voluntas*, which Kaarlo Tuori published in 2011.

*Kaarlo Tuori* is a professor of law at the University of Helsinki and a leading legal theorist and constitutional lawyer. He has published numerous articles and books, such as *Critical Legal Positivism* (2002); *Ratio et Voluntas* (2011); and co-edited *The Many Constitutions of Europe* (2010). Tuori currently has a new research project with the same title as the last book.

We are planning to transmit the Summer Meeting live to our members in Bergen and Tromsø.

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The Summer Meeting takes place in the large Meeting Room, top floor of Domus Bibliotheca, Faculty of Law, Karl Johansgate 47, Oslo. The Meeting is co-arranged by the Department of Public and International Law. Snacks and beverages will be served.

**Both members and non-members are welcome.**

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### **Agenda:**

**1: Organizational questions**

**2: Presentation and debate**

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