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Stakeholder at the table ronde (11h30 to 12h45)

American planned parenthood scandal: what are the consequences for Europe?

CAREER PATH

Gregor Püppinck is a legal expert, holds a doctorate in law, and is the Director General of *the European Centre for Law and Justice* (ECLJ) in Strasbourg

Gregor Püppinck was made a Knight of the Italian Republic for services rendered in the *Lautsi v. Italy case* (crucifixes case) ; he is also Commander in the pontifical Order of Saint Gregory the Great.

Gregor Püppinck is also co-founder of the website *L'Evangile au Quotidien (EvangeliodelDia)* which daily transmits the Gospel to approximately 500.000 people across the world.

A LEADER IN DEFENCE OF LIFE

The ECLJ is an international, Non-Governmental Organization with ECOSOC special Consultative Status before the United Nations, and is part of a network established on four continents.

The ECLJ primarily intervenes in front of European and international institutions.

The ECLJ advocates in particular in the areas of freedom of conscience, family law, bioethics and health law.

Since its creation in 1998, the ECLJ engages in numerous legal cases before the European Court of Human Rights regarding abortion, conscientious objection, artificial reproduction, surrogate motherhood, assisted suicide and euthanasia.

Gregor Püppinck is also an expert for several governments, notably the Holy See at the Council of Europe.

Gregor Püppinck is the President of the citizens committee of the European Citizens Initiative

« One of Us » which has gathered 2 million citizens. As such, he has presented and defended the Initiative in front of the Commission and the European Parliament. He is still representing it in front of the European Union's Tribunal in the appeal against the Commission's decision to reject the Initiative.

PUBLICATIONS

He is the author of a doctorate thesis dedicated to the norms in bioethics as well as numerous articles. He has recently published an essay entitled *La famille, les droits de l'homme et la vie éternelle* which explains the contemporary transformation of human rights from a catholic perspective.