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Roundtable discussion on the complex relationship between people and the rule-of-law

On Wednesday, April 19, EPLO cosponsored the roundtable discussion "People, Rule of Law and Supreme Courts Now", held at the Italian Academy for Advanced Studies, Columbia University. Four constitutional court judges - **Giuliano Amato**, former President of the Italian Constitutional Court, **Susanne Baer**, Judge of the Federal Constitutional Court of Germany, **Stephen G. Breyer**, retired Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and **Ana Maria Guerra Martins**, Judge of the European Court of Human Rights and former Judge of the Constitutional Court of Portugal - reflected on the present and future of the complex relationship between people and the rule of law, which has a direct effect on every person. Moderator was **Jessica Bulman-Pozen**, Betts Professor of Law at Columbia Law School.

The event was organized, opened and closed by **Ambassador Barbara Faedda**, in her double capacity as permanent observer of the EPLO to the United Nations and Executive Director of the Italian Academy. In his welcome remarks, EPLO Director **Professor Flogaitis** explained EPLO's long interest in rule of law and the many initiatives in this regard.

For this distinguished group of speakers-the most authoritative and competent legal minds of their countries- Columbia's students and professors, as well as diplomats from the United Nations, filled the Italian Academy's splendid Neo-Renaissance Theater.