

## **Editorial**

The second issue of this year comes out in a slightly different format than that to which you are used. This issue introduces the feature of a guest editorial. The idea of this is to give one of our more experienced colleagues the opportunity to comment, in any way or style he or she likes, on recent developments.

The first of these commentators is Professor Marco Biagi, who, on the invitation of the Italian Labour Minister Tiziano Treu, was present at the deliberations in the Council over the Parental Leave and the Posted Workers Directives. Biagi gives us a unique glimpse behind the scenes of the European Council.

The article by David O'Keeffe and Paul Osborne comments on the judgment of the EC Court of Justice in the Bosman case, one of the more controversial decisions taken by the Court. O'Keeffe and Osborne's expert analysis gives a clear insight not only into the meaning of the case for the free movement of workers but also in relation to other landmark cases of the Court.

Christine Cnossen and Christopher Bovis continue their survey of the development of equal treatment law in federal(like) systems. In the previous issue they discussed Europe, in this issue they examine Canada and the United States.

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