

**Lithuania's Path to the Rule of Law:
In Celebration of the 480 Year Anniversary of the First Statutes in 1529**

**Teisines Valstybes Raida Lietuvoje:
Minint Pirmojo Lietuvos Statuto 480-ties Metu Isleidimo Jubileju (1529-2009)**

Honorary Committee

July 7, 2009
Seimas, Vilnius

Tentative Program
As of April 19, 2009

- 9:30 - 10:00 **Welcome and Introductions**
Remigijus Šimašius, Minister of Justice
- 10-10:30 **Keynote Speaker**
[To be confirmed]
- 10:30-11:00 ***The early statutes in historical perspective***
Professor Alfredas Bumblauskas, University of Vilnius
- 11-11:30 ***The Law in Social Change***
Stasys Šedbaras, Chair of the Seimas Legal Affairs Committee, former Judge of the Constitutional Court, and Dean of the Law Faculty, Vytautas Magnus University [To be confirmed]
- 11:30-12:30 *Break*
- 12:30-2:00 ***The legal professions over the years***
A panel of representatives from the legal professions will provide an overview of the development of their profession in Lithuania to the present day, and will follow with questions to the panelists. Represented professions will include, attorneys, prosecutors, judges, notaries, and bailiffs.
- 2:30-2:45 *Break*
- 2:45 - 3:15 ***What lies ahead: the future of the legal professions.***
- 3:30 - 3:45 **Closing Remarks**