

Professor Rajko Pirnat, Ph.D

Professor Pirnat was born on March 24, 1951 in Ljubljana, Slovenia. He graduated law in 1974 at the Law Faculty, University of Ljubljana. He passed his bar examination in 1976 and acquired LL.M. degree in 1985 and Ph.D. degree in 1989, both at the Law Faculty in Ljubljana. In 1989 he became Assistant Professor, in 1995 Associate Professor and in 2002 Full professor at the Law Faculty in Ljubljana in the Department of Administrative Law. He teaches Administrative Law and some related courses, Energy Law among them.He has published 3 monographs and over 200 articles and other papers. In academic year 1999/2000 he has been visiting professor at Dundee University Law Department, Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy, where he held class on down-stream gas and electricity regulation.

Professor Pirnat is the leading expert on Energy Law in Slovenia. He has been involved in preparation of energy legislation of Slovenia for the past 15 years and frequently consults different government offices and energy companies on issues of energy law and regulation.

Professor Pirnat also has certain political and governmental experience. Between 1990 and 1992 he was member of the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and Minister of Justice and Administration. Between 2006 and 2010 he was Dean of the Law Faculty in Ljubljana. Currently, he is member of the Management Board of the University of Ljubljana. From 2005 he is Slovenian national appointee to the Joint Supervisory Body of Eurojust, and EU institution in The Hague, which he has been presiding in 2008.