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# Comparative Migration Law: Methodological Challenges and Future Horizons

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The aim of the conference is to take stock of the current comparative migration law scholarship, and chart a path for future research. The conference will be looking at the uses and purposes of comparison in migration law and discuss different methodological approaches. It will bring together scholars in migration law, including refugee law, as well as scholars in comparative law and from other disciplines, to provide insights on how legal scholars can best value add to the type of work they are undertaking.

## 4 December 2019

9:00

### Introduction

Lukas Heckendorn Urscheler & Carole Viennet,  
*Swiss Institute of Comparative Law*

### Part I

#### The Use and Purposes of Comparison in Migration Law

Chair: Martina Caroni, *University of Lucerne*

9:10

#### Comparative Refugee Law as International Refugee Law

James C. Hathaway, *University of Michigan*

9:40

#### The Dialectic Between Domestic Legislation and Universal Principles in International Migration Law

Vincent Chetail, *Graduate Institute Geneva*

10:10

### Discussion

10:40

*Coffee Break*

### Part II

#### Methods of Comparison

Chair: Francesco Maiani, *University of Lausanne*

11:10

#### The Debate of Methodology in Comparative Law

Jaakko Husa, *University of Helsinki*

11:35

#### Comparative Migration Policy Analysis - A Political Science Perspective

Anita Manatschal, *University of Neuchâtel*

11:50

#### Legal Transplants: An Approach to Comparative Migration Law

Daniel Ghezelbash, *Macquarie Law School*

12:15

### Discussion

12:30

*Lunch*

13:45

### Part III

#### Panel discussions: Methodological Challenges

#### Contextual, Critical and Historical Approaches

Chair: Ron McCallum, *Sidney Law School*

Kevin Fredy Hinterberger, *Austrian Federal Chamber of Labour in Vienna*

Anuscheh Farahat, *University of Erlangen-Nürnberg*

Itamar Mann, *University of Haifa*

14:45

*Coffee Break*

15:00

#### Quantitative and Interdisciplinary Approaches

Chair: Lukas Heckendorn Urscheler, *Swiss Institute of Comparative Law*

Mary Crock, *Sydney Law School*

Hélène Raspail, *Le Mans Université*

Jeff Crisp, *University of Oxford*

16:00

*Coffee Break*

16:30

#### General Discussion

17:15

#### Concluding Remark

Lukas Heckendorn Urscheler & Carole Viennet,  
*Swiss Institute of Comparative Law*

17:30

*End of the conference*

#### Organizing Committee:

Daniel Ghezelbash, Lukas Heckendorn Urscheler,  
Kevin Fredy Hinterberger and Carole Viennet

# How to find us

## By air

The closest airport is the Cointrin airport located in Geneva (approx. 60km from the Institute). From the Geneva-Cointrin airport, there is direct access to Lausanne's main railway station by train.

## By train

Exit Lausanne's main railway station (CFF), cross the Place de la Gare and locate the metro station (Lausanne CFF). Take the metro m2 in the direction of Croisette, one stop to the station Lausanne-Flon. At the Lausanne-Flon metro station, transfer to the Metro m1. Take the Metro m1 to the station UNIL-Chamberonne (6 th stop) and follow the signs marked Institut suisse de droit comparé.

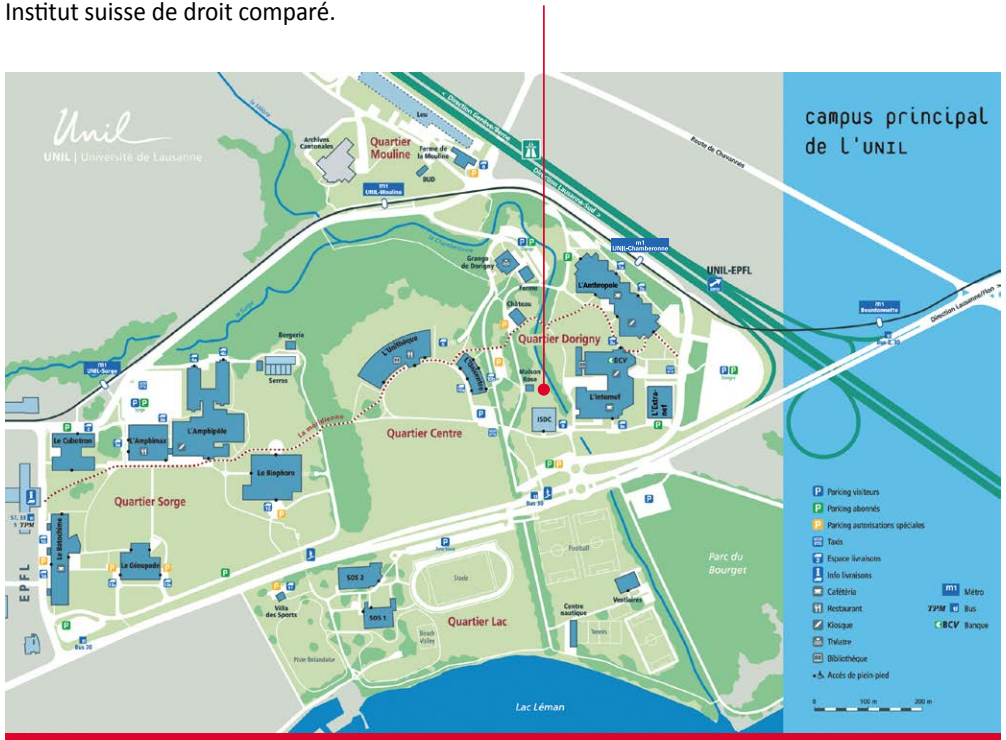
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From the A1 or A12/A9 motorways, follow signs for Lausanne-Sud, then take the exit Université-EPFL. Take the first exit at the roundabout (route de la Chamberonne). The car park (pay & display) of the Swiss Institute of Comparative law is to the left. Follow the signs for "Institut suisse de droit comparé".

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## Participants

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and research institutes,  
Employees of the Swiss Confederation,  
AiSDC members**

## Assistants and students

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CHF 100.-

CHF 25.-

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