



The Concept of "Law" in Context: Comparative Law, Legal Philosophy, and the Social Sciences

Conference of 21 and 22 October 2011

Friday 21 October 2011

- 16:30-16:45 Organiser's Welcome
- 16:45-18:15 Session One
- "The drunkenness of things being various': Laws and norms in historical perspective" **Seán Patrick Donlan** (University of Limerick)
- "The concept of law in post-national perspective" **Alessio Lo Giudice** (University of Catania)
- "Comparing Apples and Oranges. Some Thoughts on Assumptions in Comparative Law" **Lukas Heckendorn Urscheler** (Swiss Institute of Comparative Law)
- "Pleading for an African concept of law: the case of Somaliland" **Salvatore Mancuso** (University of Macao)

Saturday 22 October 2011

- 09:00-09:45 "Remembering and applying legal pluralism: Law as kite flying" **Werner Menski** (School of Oriental and African Studies, London)
- 09:45-11:15 Session Two
- "From living law to legal pluralism: Contested definitions and current debates" **Gerhard Anders** (University of Edinburgh)
- "Dynamics of normative Plurality: Translations and differentiations in practice" **Julia Eckert** (University of Berne)
- "Globalizing Socio-Legal Indicators" **David Nelken** (University of Cardiff and Macerata)
- 11:15-11:45 Break

- 11:45-12:45 Session Three
- "Jurists and Justice: The Dark Side of the Law" **Mauro Bussani** (University of Trieste and the International Association of Legal Science)
- "Do 'Legal Systems' Exist? The Concept of Law and Comparative Law" **Mark Van Hoecke** (University of Ghent)
- 12:45-13:45 Lunch
- 13:45-15:15 Session Four
- "Borrowing Procedural Concepts - A European *certiorari*?" **Alexander Morawa** (University of Lucerne)
- "Legal Pluralism in a Praxiological Perspective: An Ethnomethodology of Law in Action in the Egyptian Context" **Baudouin Dupret** (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, France)
- "Ubi Societas Ibi Ius: The Conundrum of the Concept of World Law" **Marc Amstutz** (University of Fribourg)
- 15:15-15:45 Break
- 15:45-16:45 Session Five
- "Legal Pluralism as a Challenge to Political Liberalism" **Emmanuel Melissaris** (London School of Economics)
- "The Creation and Use of Concepts of Law when Confronting Legal and Normative Plurality" **Andrew Halpin** (National University of Singapore)
- 16:45-17:45 Discussion
- 17:45-18:00 Concluding Remarks by the Organizers