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How to Teach Comparative Law?

A Workshop from the Latin American Network of Comparative Law: Fostering Regional Comparisons

Welcome and Introduction to the Workshop:

Thursday 25 June 2026 (9:00 – 9:30 hrs.)

Welcome: Nadjma Yassari, Swiss Institute of Comparative Law

Introduction: *Latin America's Particularities for the Teaching of Comparative Law*, Rodrigo Polanco, Swiss Institute of Comparative Law

Session 1: Thursday 25 June 2026 (9:30 – 12:30 hrs.)

Comparative Law: Methods and Tools

- Chair: Lukas Heckendorn Urscheler, Swiss Institute of Comparative Law
- Discussion Sparkers: (20 minutes each)
 - Thomas Kadner Graziano, University of Geneva – Teaching Comparative Law to Students and Future Practitioners: A Case-Oriented, Multilateral Approach to Comparative Law
 - Benjamin Alemparte, University of Chile - Use of Digital Tools - Teaching Comparative Law Online
- Coffee break: 10:45 – 11:15 hrs.
- Wrap-up session: Discussion and sharing experiences on the topic (all participants)

Lunch: 12:30 – 14:00 hrs.

Special Session: Compare to Connect (CoCo) Summer Edition and Cocktail (16:30 – 19:00 hrs.)

- Saloni Khanderia, Jindal Global University, India - BRICS and the Regulation of State-Owned Enterprises
- Rodrigo Camarena, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) - Avocats Sans Frontières? The Methodological Nationalist Bias in Comparative Constitutional Studies



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Session 2: Friday 26 June 2026 (9:30 – 12:30 hrs)

Teaching Comparative Law Across Languages and Legal Traditions

- Chair: Rodrigo Polanco, Swiss Institute of Comparative Law
- Discussion Sparkers: (20 minutes each)
 - Denise Wiedemann, Kiel University – Eurocentric Tendencies of Civil-Law comparisons and Latin America
 - Agatha Brandão Messer, University of Lucerne – How New Digital Tools Can Bridge the Gap in Teaching Comparative Law Across Languages and Legal Traditions: COLD Dataverse
- Coffee break: 10:45 – 11:15 hrs.
- Wrap-up session: sharing experiences on the topic (all participants)

Lunch: 12:30 – 14:00 hrs.

Group Photo: 14:05

Session 3: Friday 26 June 2026 (14:00 – 17:00 hrs.)

Teaching Comparative Law in Specific Legal Fields

- Chair: Agustín Parise, University of Maastricht
- Discussion Sparkers: (20 minutes each)
 - Conrado Hubner, University of São Paulo and Pablo Méndez Ortíz, Universidad de Chile – Teaching Comparative Constitutional Law
 - Gracy Pelacani, Universidad de los Andes – Comparative Law in Migration Law
- Coffee break: 15:45 – 16:15 hrs.
- Wrap-up session: sharing experiences on the topic (all participants)

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