



Working Group on Courts and Judges

The WG is intended to offer a forum for all (researchers/fellows etc) interested in broadly defined issues of courts and judicial function. It would not be defined by any area of law, approach or methodology, but by the object of study: courts and judges, be it on the national, supranational or international level, approached from legal, sociological, economic, political science, historic or (e.g.) critical feminist perspective.

MEETINGS: Every two weeks, Thursdays, 17:15 – 19:00 normally in Sala Triaria (Schifanoia)

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Programme – First Term 2007-2008

Thursday, 25. 10. 2007, 17:15 (Sala Triara)

Arthur Deyvre (Max Weber Fellow) - Interdisciplinary research on courts and judges: Developing a (meta)theory of theories of adjudication

Thursday, 8. 11. 2007, 17:15 (Sala Triara)

Michal Bobek (Ph.D. Researcher, Law Department) – Why not to be Obsessed by the Use of Comparative Law by Courts?

Thursday, 22. 11. 2007, 17:15 (!Seminario IV – Badia!)

Antoine Vauchez (Marie Curie Fellow) - Case law as the locus of the European political integration - At the genesis of the European legal commonsense (1958-1970)

Thursday, 6. 12. 2007, 17:15 (Cappella)

Clara Marsan Raventós (Ph.D. Researcher, Law Department) – Comparative Analysis of Judicial Constitutional Transformation

Thursday, 13. 12. 2007, N.b. Change of time: 17:00 (Seminario IV - Badia)

Katalin Kelemen (Ph. D. Researcher, Università degli Studi di Firenze) - Dissenting opinions in constitutional justice of East-Central Europe

Outline for Spring/Summer 2007:

Tuesday, 16 January 2007

Constanze Semmelman (LAW) – Judicial Reasoning (How Judges Arrive at their Decisions)

Tuesday, 30 January 2007

Michal Bobek (LAW) – The Fortress of Judicial Independence and Mental Transitions of Central European Judiciaries

Tuesday, 13 February 2007

Kathrin Maria Scherr (LAW) - State liability regimes for judicial breaches; Member States and EU compared

Tuesday, 27 February 2007

Informal meeting with Mr. Lech Garlicki, judge at the ECHR (co-organised with the Human Rights Working Group)



Tuesday, 6 March 2007 (17:15 in the Sala Belvedere)

Decio Coviello (ECO) - Duration of Trials and the Individual Productivity of Judges (a.k.a. How can we "measure" the effectivity of judges?)

Tuesday, 13 March 2007

Clara Marsan Raventós (LAW) – Constitutional and Supreme Courts as Guardians of the National Demos

Tuesday, 27 March 2007

Patrícia Pintos Soares (LAW) - The International Criminal Court and the Security Council: Allies in Law, Rivals in Practice??"

Tuesday, 24 April 2007

Jan Komárek (Somerville College, University of Oxford) – 'In the Court We Trust' - But Should We? On the Need for Hierarchy and Differentiation in the Preliminary Ruling Procedure.

Tuesday, 15 May 2007 (17:15, Sala Belvedere)

Stéphane Beaulac (Max Weber Fellow; University of Montreal) - Legislation and Judges: Interpretation, Justification, Legitimization