



Multidisciplinary Research Workshop on Human Rights

“Between Inclusion and Exclusion: The End(s) of Human Rights?”

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Abstract:

Human rights are considered ways to protect citizens from abuse by the state. Yet, it is often the institutions of the state itself that are charged with defining these rights and determining to whom they are afforded. This workshop will explore the limits of the concept of human rights with particular reference to the dynamics of inclusion and exclusion it generates by defining what is a right, who is the citizen, and who is the human. Eric Weitz will present a critical history of human rights, while Martin Scheinin will offer an institutional-legal perspective on the challenges of human rights protection