



*Max Weber Programme
Multidisciplinary Research Workshop*

4 April 2012, 11.00-13.00 Villa La Fonte, Conference Room

Rights, Regulation, and Governance: The Path to Development?

with

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Should, can and do rights, regulation and governance serve development goals? What contribution should, can and do 'soft' or informal modes of norm creation and enforcement in the form of governance make to the attainment of development goals? What implications does the governance approach have for the protection of fundamental rights as opposed to formalized regimes of strict rules, courts and judges? What role does the flexibility and problem-solving focus of the governance approach play in dealing with the constant conflicts that arise between rights and the resulting need to balance and adjust rights?

In the light of these questions, this workshop addresses in the context of the pursuit of development goals in both industrialised and developing states the concepts and relationships of rights, regulation and governance. In particular, the workshop will focus on the importance of rights, regulation and governance in providing the conditions for development, and how rights can both advance and hinder development.

The presentations will be followed by general and open discussions.



11:00 Welcome: **Daniela Comandè**

11:05 **Rights, Regulation and Governance: The Path to Development?**

Peter Drahos, Senior Braudel Fellow, EUI, Professor in Law and Director of the Centre for the Governance of Knowledge and Development in the Regulatory Institutions Network (RegNet), College of Asia and the Pacific, at the Australian National University, Canberra; Chair in Intellectual Property at Queen Mary, University of London

11:25 **European Development Policies**

Giorgia Giovanetti, Professor of Economics at the University of Florence, Visiting Professor at the European University Institute, Scientific Director of the European Report on Development 2009 and 2010

11:55 **Comment – Daniela Comandè**

12:00 **The People's Regulation – Citizens and Implementation of Law in China**

Benjamin van Rooij, Professor of Chinese Law and Regulation, University of Amsterdam, Director of the Netherlands China Law Centre

12:30 **Comment – Andrea Wechsler**

12:35 **Open Discussion**

13.00 Lunch

Organizers MW Fellows, EUI: Sheila Christina Neder Cerezetti, Daniela Comandè, Ignacio De La Rasilla Del Moral, Karin Maria De Vries, Magdalena Forowicz, Leonardo Giani, Sofia Moratti, Adam Perry, Marta Simoncini, Yane Svetiev, Luana Swensson, Andrea Wechsler

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