

Law and Development Research Network PhD Course 2019

Legal Values and the Functions of Law: Symbioses and Synergies

24-28 June 2019

International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The
Hague, The Netherlands

Programme & Information



A scene in the dunes near The Hague, photo: Marianne Cornelissen-Kuyt CC BY-SA

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Programme

	Mon, 24 June 2019 Symbioses in Form & Function	Tues, 25 June 2019 Mixed Methodologies	Wed, 26 June 2019 Equality & Inclusion	Thurs, 27 June 2019 Synergies & Resistance	Fri, 28 June 2019 Synthesis
Morning Session	Arrivals	9 – 10.45 (Room 3.14) Researching Law's Values and Functions Sanne Taekema 10.45 – 11.00 Coffee 11 – 12.30 Contested Liberal Values in a Post-Apartheid Government Sanele Sibanda	9 – 10.45 (Room 1.31) Equality, Gender and the Dutch Cultural Archive Aminata Cairo 10.45 – 11.00 Coffee 11.00 – 12.30 Equity and inclusion challenges: the role of law and policy in an age of globalized austerity Celine Tan	10 – 12.30 (field visit) Visit to International Criminal Court Oude Waalsdorperweg 10, 2597 AK Den Haag N.B. Please bring valid ID (passport/identity card) Those who wish to may meet / travel together from ISS, at 9 am sharp.	9 – 10.45 (Room 1.31) Planning your PhD Karin Arts 10.45 – 11.00 Coffee 11.00 – 12.30 Evaluation and Wrap-Up Handmaker & Arts
Lunch break	12-13 hrs Lunch (ISS Atrium)	Lunch (ISS Atrium)	Lunch (ISS Atrium)	Lunch (ISS Atrium)	1.30 Lunch (Instock)
Afternoon session	13 – 14 (Room 1.31) Researching the form & function of Mobilising International Law Jeff Handmaker & Karin Arts 14 – 17.30 (with a tea break) WORKSHOP: Introduction to participants' PhD Projects Facilitators Karin Arts, Jeff Handmaker & Celine Tan	13.30 – 15.45 (Room 1.31) PANEL: Mixed Methods in (Law and) Development Research Freek Schiphorst, Sanne Taekema, Celine Tan & Janine Ubink 16 – 17.30 Individual Methods Coaching Panellists	13.30 – 15.45 (Room 1.31) WORKSHOP: Methodological challenges of researching vulnerability, inequality & discrimination in L&D Research Carolien Jacobs, Koen de Feyter & Celine Tan 16 – 17.30 Writing for Publication Jeff Handmaker, Sanele Sibanda & Celine Tan	13.30 – 17 (Room 1.31) Detailed discussion of participants' PhD projects in thematic groups Handmaker, Arts, Sibanda and Daphina Misiedjan	Departures
Evening	Welcome drinks at Butterfly Bar (ISS)	Canal boat tour (departs 18 hrs sharp from Hilton Hotel)	Dinner at Café Zuid (19 hrs)	Dinner at Westewind, Scheveningen	

Theme of the Course

What does law seek to accomplish, and how is society affected by it? And from a researcher standpoint, how do I identify synergies between my research subject and those of others?

Law's values and law's function are generally discussed as entirely separate topics. But a discussion of legal equality in the distribution of resources or tackling foreign-based corruption would ring rather hollow if it didn't engage with how law functioned (or was dysfunctional) from a governance standpoint. Similarly, understanding the social working of law and in particular the possibilities for individual and state accountability in a conflict setting has crucial implications for how the normative content and doctrinal principles underpinning international criminal law ought to be interpreted and – possibly – reframed.

Further, the positionality of the researcher should be regarded in a critically-reflexive manner. This is especially crucial when researching legal values and law's function in a law and development context where researchers frequently confront a range of complex societal, economic, gendered and cultural dilemmas, including socio-economic and white privilege and cultural essentialism.

The 2019 LDRN PhD Course involves doctoral candidates attached to one of the [LDRN-Partner Institutions](#) from different legal (and related) disciplines to discuss the role of law in relation to development questions both occurring in the global north and in the global south, with particular attention both to law's embedded values as well as its functional character.

From the course, participants will draw insights on some of the methodological, ethical and theoretical considerations relevant for these aspects of the law and development research field, both in the global North and global South. The course will comprise of a range of interactive methods of teaching and learning, consisting of a combination of lectures and seminars, a methods clinic, group work sessions and paper workshops.

The 2019 LDRN COURSE course is organised by the [International Institute of Social Studies](#) in the framework of the [Integrating Normative and Functional Approaches to the Rule of Law and Human Rights](#) Project and the [Governance, Law and Social Justice Research Group](#), in co-operation with other colleagues of the [Law and Development Research Network](#).

On behalf of Ana, Irene, Karin, Nadya and all my colleagues at ISS, we sincerely look forward to welcoming you to The Hague in June!

Dr. Jeff Handmaker and Ms. Ana Maria Arbelaez Trujillo
Academic Co-ordinators, LDRN PhD School 2019.

Confirmed Instructors and Profiles

Prof. Karin Arts	Professor of International Law and Development, International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University
Prof. Aminata Cairo	Lector/Professor of Inclusive Education, Hague Institute for Applied Sciences
Prof. Koen de Feyter	Professor of International Law, University of Antwerp
Dr. Jeff Handmaker	Senior Lecturer in Law, Human Rights & Development, International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University
Dr. Carolien Jacobs	Assistant Professor in Law, Van Vollenhoven Institute, School of Law, Leiden University
Dr. Daphina Misiedjan	Researcher, Utrecht Center for Oceans, Water and Sustainability Law (UCWOSL), Utrecht University and Lecturer, Hague University of Applied Sciences
Dr. Freek Schiphorst	Associate Professor of Labour Relations and Vice-Dean for Education, International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University
Dr. Sanele Sibanda	Senior Lecturer, School of Law, University of the Witwatersrand
Dr. Celine Tan	Associate Professor of Law and Director, Centre for Law, Regulation and Governance of the Global Economy, Warwick University
Prof. Janine Ubink	Professor of Law, Governance and Development, Van Vollenhoven Institute, School of Law, Leiden University

Practical Information

Venue: International Institute of Social Studies (ISS) of Erasmus University
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Social Events: In addition to welcome drinks at the ISS' own "Butterfly Bar" on the 24th of June, we have organised various activities, including a [boat tour](#) through The Hague's canals (25 June), a walk in the [West Dune National Park](#) (26 June) and relaxing evening on the beach, watching the sun go down in Scheveningen (27 June).

On other activities in The Hague: <https://denhaag.com/en>

Further Questions

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