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12-14 September | septembre 2019

Sovereignty: A concept in flux?
Souveraineté: Un concept en mouvement?

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Pre-conference meetings of the ESIL Interest Groups

Thursday, 12 September 2019

08.00-20.00: All day registration
Faculty Club

08.00-08.45: ESIL Board Meeting with Interest Group Convenors
Faculty Club

08.15-10.45: Parallel Interest Group sessions

- Interest Group on Environmental Law
  Law Library, Amphitheatre
- Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals
  Faculty Club, Hall
- Interest Group on the International Law of Culture
  Faculty Club, Main Room
- Interest Group on Business and Human Rights
  Academias 45, Room 1
- Interest Group on the EU as Global Actor
  Academias 45, Room 2
- Interest Group on Migration and Refugee Law
  Academias 45, Room 3
- Interest Group on International Economic Law
  Law Faculty, Economides Hall
- Interest Group on History of International Law
  Faculty Club, Exhibition Room
- Interest Group on International Health Law
  Law Library, Hall
- Interest Group on International Bio Law
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10.45-11.00: Coffee break

11.00-13.30: Parallel Interest Group sessions

- Interest Group on Environmental Law
  Law Library, Amphitheatre
- Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals
  Faculty Club, Hall
- Interest Group on the Law of the Sea
  Faculty Club, Main Room
- Interest Group on Feminism and International Law
  Faculty Club, Rector’s Room
- Interest Group on International Organizations
  Academias 45, Room 1
- Interest Group on the EU as Global Actor
  Academias 45, Room 2
- Interest Group on Migration and Refugee Law
  Academias 45, Room 3
- Interest Group on International Economic Law
  Law Faculty, Economides Hall
- Interest Group on History of International Law
  Faculty Club, Exhibition Room
- Interest Group on International Human Rights Law
  Law Library, Hall

13.30-14.00: Lunch boxes will be available at the Faculty Club and the Law Library
Thursday, 12 September 2019

14.00-17.00: Opening Ceremony
Please, be on time: Badges required for security screening. Audience must be seated by 14.45

15.00-15.15: Welcome
Professor Athanasios Tsakris Vice Rector, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens
Professor Kalliopi Christakakou-Fotiadou Dean, Faculty of Law
Professor Luis Hinojosa President, European Society of International Law
Professor Photini Pazartzis Chair, ESIL@Athens2019 Programme Committee; Director, Athens PIL

15.15-16.00: Inaugural address
H.E. The President of the Hellenic Republic Mr Prokopios Pavlopoulos

16.00-17.00: Nicolas Politis Lecture
Sovereignty – The past and the future
Yves Daudet Professor emeritus, Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne; President, Curatorium of The Hague Academy of International Law

17.00-17.30: Coffee break – kindly sponsored by Cambridge University Press

17.30-19.00: Parallel sessions

Forum I: [Re-]Defining sovereignty: The Montevideo principles revisited
Chair: Marcelo Kohen The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
Sarah Nouwen Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge
Hélène Ruiz-Fabri Director, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for International, European and Regulatory Procedural Law
Ineta Ziemele President, Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia

Forum II: Challenging sovereignty: Contested statehood
Chair: Iulia Motoc Judge, European Court of Human Rights
Mariana Durney Legal Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chile
Helena Torroja Mateu Universitat de Barcelona
Marko Milanovic University of Nottingham
20.00-21.30: **Welcome reception**

Presidental Palace

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**Friday, 13 September 2019**

08.00-09.00: Parallel events

**Faculty Club**

**Breakfast Meeting: ESIL Board with New Members**

**Breakfast Meeting with the editors of the European Journal of International Law**

09.00-10.30: Parallel sessions

**Ceremonial Hall**

**Agora I: Beyond Sovereignty: ABNJ and the Law of the Sea**

*Chair:* Liesbeth Lijnzaad Judge, International Tribunal on the Law of the Sea

- **Rethinking Conservation of Marine Biodiversity beyond National Boundaries: Justice, Property and the Commons**
  - **Anna Aseeva** National Research University ‘Higher School of Economics’, Moscow

- **Mare Liberum, Mare Clausum and Mare Geneticum or Mare Nostrum: Negotiating marine natural resources, including MGRs. Remarks from the theoretical and practical perspectives**
  - **Konrad Marciniak** Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- **Sovereignty and challenges of the future ILBI: How to reconcile the individual interest of States at sea and the ‘common interest of mankind’?**
  - **Pascale Ricard** Université Angers

**Agora II: Exercising sovereignty: Managing migratory flows**

*Chair:* Philippe de Bruycker Université libre de Bruxelles

- **Digital Borders and Data Territories: Sovereignty, Territoriality and Data-Driven Infrastructures of Border Control**
  - **Dimitri Van Den Meerssche** Asser Institute

- **Asylum processing in the post-refugee crisis EU: Holding the European Asylum Support Office accountable**
  - **Evangelia (Lilian) Tsourdi** Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, Maastricht University

- **Do Non-entrée Policies amount to Persecution? Death as a Feature of Extraterritorial Border Controls**
  - **Violeta Moreno-Lax** Queen Mary University of London

**Agora III: Expanding sovereignty: Extraterritoriality as a tool**

*Chair:* Yuval Shany Hebrew University of Jerusalem

- **Cosmopolitan Extraterritoriality: The Exercise of Unilateral Jurisdiction to Further Global Values and Common Interests**
  - **Cedric Ryngaert** Utrecht University

- **Data and the Elasticity of Sovereignty**
  - **Roxana Vatanparast** Università degli studi di Torino

- **How to Deal with Negative Cross-border Externalities of States’ Domestic Economic and Social Policies: Functional Conceptions to Human Rights-Related Extraterritoriality**
  - **Elif Askin** Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg

10.30-11.00: Coffee break

**Launch of the Rosalyn Higgins Prize for the best article published in Law Practice of International Courts and Tribunals**
11.00-12.30: Parallel sessions

Forum III: Diluting sovereignty: State finance and economic decision-making
Chair: Geneviève Bastid-Burdeau Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne
Professor John (Iannis) Mourmouras Senior Deputy Governor, Bank of Greece
Lee C. Buchheit University of Edinburgh
August Reinisch University of Vienna, Member of the International Law Commission
Margot E. Salomon London School of Economics and Political Science

Forum IV: Adjudicating sovereignty: Consent in dispute settlement
Chair: Massimo Iovane Università di Napoli Federico II
Emilie Gonin Doughty Street Chambers
Christian Tams University of Glasgow
Sienho Yee Wuhan University

12.30-14.30: Lunch break

12.30-13.30: Meeting of Editors and Publishers of the International Law Journals
Chair: Pål Wrange Stockholm University

13.30-14.30: Mentoring Event
Chair: Gleider Hernández Katholieke Universiteit Leuven; Open Universiteit Nederland
Mauro Politi Università di Trento, former Judge International Criminal Court
Freya Baetens University of Oslo
Lydia-Maria Bolani UNHCR Greece

14.30-16.00: Parallel sessions

Agora IV: Apportioning sovereignty: Delimitation as a sovereignty exercise
Chair: Constantinos Salonidis Foley Hoag LLP
Natural Resources in Disputed EEZ and Continental Shelf Areas: Balancing between Development and Restraint by Neighbouring Coastal States
Youri van Logchem Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, Swansea University
Disputed Territories on Land: Why the Administrative Status Quo Is More Important than Sovereignty
Constantinos Yiallourides British Institute of International and Comparative Law
The ‘Predominant Interest’ Concept in Maritime Delimitation
Nicholas A. Ioannides University of Nicosia

Agora V: Questing sovereignty: The corporation in international law and the role of non-State actors
Chair: Niki Aloupi Université Paris II Panthéon Assas
Functional Limits of State Sovereignty: Direct International Legal Rights and Obligations of Collective Non-State Entities
Klara Polackova Van der Ploeg University of Nottingham
Why Can’t the Creations of Sovereigns Also Be Sovereign? International Organizations and the Legal Concept of Sovereignty
Fernando Lusa Bordin University of Cambridge
Sovereign Corporations in a Global Legal Order
Dorothea Endres The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
The evolution of the concept of territorial sovereignty. From the traditional Westphalian system to the State-peoples binomial
Michele Nino Università degli studi di Salerno

Agora VI: Extending sovereignty: Space activities and new frontiers

Chair: Mahulena Hofmann Université de Luxembourg

There’s sovereignty in outer space; it’s just not what you think
Charles Stotler University of Mississippi

Property Rights in Outer Space: Space Material Resources & data collected through Machine Learning Technologies
Anthi Koskina Athens PIL, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens; Collège IdEF-Université Paris 13

Space Debris: The Atomisation of Sovereignty
Ward Munters Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

16.00-16.15: Coffee break

16.15-18.00: ESIL General Assembly

18.00-19.30: Parallel sessions

Agora VII: Enforcing sovereignty: The rapidly expanding international tax law

Chair: Andreas Ziegler Université de Lausanne

Imposing Customs on Taxes: Customary International Law in International Tax Law
Céline Braumann University of Vienna

Examining the modern practices of sovereignty and its relationship to territory through the lens of international tax law
Akbar Rasulov & Gail Lythgoe University of Glasgow

Can the OECD anti-BEPS paradigms be adopted within the EU? Juridical problems as regards the “Anti-Tax Avoidance Directive”
María Cruz Barreiro Carril Universidad de Vigo

Agora VIII: Defending sovereignty: Protectionism in international trade and investment

Chair: Gabrielle Marceau Legal Affairs Division, WTO; University of Geneva

Constitutional Courts’ narratives on investment arbitration: Overcoming anxieties towards engagement
José Gustavo Prieto Muñoz Università degli Studi di Torino

WTO Security Exceptions and Countermeasures
Danae Azaria University College London

Managing the Trade Rule of Law
Kathleen Claussen University of Miami
Agora IX: Attacking sovereignty: Terrorism and the use of force 
Argyriades Amphitheatre

Chair: Antonios Tzanakopoulos University of Oxford
The Law and Ethics of Foreign Troop Withdrawals in the Global Fight against Terrorism
Jessica Almqvist Universidad Autónoma de Madrid
The Institutionalisation of Drone Programmes: Entering the Normal Functioning of the State
Rebecca Mignot-Mahdavi European University Institute
The Implication of Sovereignty in Contemporary Interpretative Debates in International Humanitarian Law
Abhimanyu George Jain The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva

20.00 / 20.30-23.00: Conference Dinner 
S Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center
Welcome drinks - kindly sponsored by Oxford University Press
Launch of the Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law - MPEiPro

Saturday, 14 September 2019

09.00-10.30: Parallel sessions

Agora X: Circumventing sovereignty: The challenges of environmental regulation 
Ceremonial Hall

Chair: Malgosia Fitzmaurice Queen Mary University of London
The Paris Agreement and the Empowerment of State Sovereignty
Anne Saab The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
Circumventing Sovereignty through Transnationalization of Environmental Law
Mona Agha Seyed Jafar Kashfi University of Tehran
Circumventing Sovereignty: Rethinking Climate Change from a Relational, Embodied and Unbounded Perspective
Marie-Catherine Petersmann European University Institute; Copernicus Institute of Sustainable Development, Utrecht University
Whose Atmosphere? Sovereignty, Acquisition, and Responsibility for Atmospheric Harms
Tom Sparks Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg

Agora XI: Culture as or against sovereignty
Drakopoulos Amphitheatre

Convened by the Interest Group on the International Law of Culture
Chair: Hanna Schreiber University of Warsaw
Can cultural heritage be all things to all people? On cultural value and sovereignty
Sophie Starrenburg Universiteit Leiden
The protection of cross-border culture under international law and State Sovereignty: Transcending borders through Intangible Cultural Heritage?
Aliki Gkana National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
Cultural Expertise and State Sovereignty in Europe
Livia Holden University of Oxford

Agora XII: Spatio-temporal dimensions of sovereignty in international law
Argyriades Amphitheatre

Convened by the Interest Group on International Legal Theory & Philosophy
Chair: Ekaterina Yahyaoui Krivenko National University of Ireland Galway
Difference in the Concept of Sovereignty in Spatial Dimension: Reflecting the Legal Approach to the East Asian Territorial Disputes
So Yeon Kim University of Cambridge
Rethinking International Law and Remoteness: Topophilia, Resource Extraction, and the History of International Law in the Americas (Atacama Desert)
Christopher R. Rossi University of Iowa

Spatio-Temporal Dimensions of Indigenous Sovereignty in International Law
Valentina Vadi Lancaster University

10.30-11.30: Coffee break – kindly sponsored by the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law
Launch of the Max Planck Trialogues on the Law of Peace and War

10.30-11.30: Conversation with the ESIL Book Prize Winner
Chair: Carlos Espósito Universidad Autónoma de Madrid

11.30-13.00: Parallel sessions
Forum V: Sovereignty resurgent: Crisis of the multilateral institutional system?
Chair: Maria Telalian Principal Legal Adviser, Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Laurence R. Helfer Duke University
Stelios Perrakis Panteion University, Athens
Giorgio Sacerdoti Università Bocconi, Milan

Forum VI: Bypassing sovereignty: Enforcing rules in cyberspace
Chair: Theodore Christakis Université Grenoble Alpes
Tatiana Jančárková National Office for Cyber- and Information Security, Czech Republic
Andrés Muñoz Mosquera ACO/SHAPE, NATO
Nicholas Tsagourias University of Sheffield
Karine Bannelier Université Grenoble Alpes

13.00-14.00: Round-Table Discussion
Foundations of international law: The way ahead
Moderator: Linos Alexander Sicilianos President, European Court of Human Rights; National & Kapodistrian University of Athens
Georges Abi-Saab The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
James Crawford International Court of Justice
Anne Peters Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg
Christos Rozakis National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

14.00-14.30: Closing ceremony