



Workshop on Methodological and Theoretical Perspectives in International Criminal Justice

Time/place: April 24 and 25, room 365 (April 24) and room 770 (April 25), Domus Nova, St. Olavs plass 5, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo

Organizers: *Social Control and the Rule of Law Research Group (University of Oslo)*
Centre of International Criminal Justice (VU Amsterdam)
Centre of the Politics of Transnational Law (VU Amsterdam)

Target group: (1) PhD students in jurisprudence, social and political science, philosophy; (2) researchers and (3) others with an interest in the field.

Credits: PhD students interested in 1.5 credit points must, in addition to reading the seminar literature (roughly 200 pages), present a draft proposal for a working paper at the workshop and submit a finalized version by May 31st (grading: satisfactory/not satisfactory).

Unfortunately, we do not have funds to cover participants' travel.

Language: English

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Register by: April 1, 2014. Participants must send an abstract for the seminar presentation (max 500 words) and a CV, as attachments to an email addressed to the contact persons (either Halvorsen or Lohne)

Number of participants: 20. Applicants will be notified no later than April 5 and accepted abstracts will be distributed promptly to all participants.

Workshop/Seminar description

Recent decades have seen an unprecedented growth of institutionalization, practice, scholarship and public debate on international criminal justice (ICJ). With objectives such as delivering justice, ending impunity and restoring peace, stability and security, a number of new unprecedented international institutions was established and a new body of international criminal law developed rapidly. These developments, accompanied by a cosmopolitan sense of universal morality, came with an explosive growth of academic scholarship and public debate on international criminal justice. Most of the contemporary debate addresses the doctrinal developments of international criminal law and on a theoretical level discusses the ability of the international courts and tribunals to achieve their objectives, and often turns into normative discussions on how to improve the functioning of the international criminal justice institutions and law to meet these objectives.

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (VU) and the University of Oslo (UiO) host two of the largest interdisciplinary research communities in Europe focusing on international criminal justice. This workshop seeks to draw on the resources from both in order to put international crimes and international criminal justice firmly on the collaborative agenda. The aim of the workshop is to bring together scholars who take a critical empirical or theoretical approach in studying international criminal justice and international crimes. PhD students, as well as established researchers from both institutions, are invited to introduce and discuss their *ongoing research projects* in an informal setting, focusing on *methodological and theoretical challenges in studying international criminal justice and international crimes*.

Workshop/Seminar program

First day (Thursday, April 24)

0915 - 0930: Welcome and opening remarks by Professor Heidi Mork Lomell, Head of Department, Department of Criminology and Sociology of Law, University of Oslo

0930 – 1015: Keynote I: *Corpes of Mass Violence and Genocide* (Caroline Fournet, University of Groningen)

1015– 1030: Break

1030 – 1230: Workshop I (3 presentations + 1 hour discussion)

1230 – 1330: Lunch

1330 – 1415: Keynote II: *Larry May and the Hobbesian Defense of International Criminal Law* (Vidar Halvorsen, University of Oslo)

1415 – 1430: Break

1430 – 1630: Workshop II (3 presentations + 1 hour discussion)

1800 Dinner

Second day (Friday, April 25)

0915 - 1000: Keynote III: *Research Methods of International Crimes* (Catrien Bijleveld, Vrije University Amsterdam)

1000 - 1015: Break

1015 - 1230: Workshop III (3 presentations + 1 hour discussion)

1230: Lunch

Workshop/Seminar literature

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