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WHAT?

Online Conference on the Logic of International Law

WHY?

Most work in legal logic is generalist or takes domestic law as the standard case. International law as a field has some distinctive features, however.

Lacking a formal and centralised structure, international law is the result of the direct action of its addressees: States, international organisations, non-governmental entities, transnational companies, and even individuals. Furthermore, while in domestic law the rules are organised hierarchically, in international law such vertical order is still scarce. Finally, international law undergoes continuous expansion – the proliferation of special regimes can lead to complex challenges to international cooperation, obscuring which applicable rules are determinative in case of a conflict.

In this manner, insights from domestic law may not always be automatically applied to international law. Sometimes, a 'translation' is necessary. In other cases, the distinctive features pertaining to international law demand the development of specific logical tools to deal with its singular matters. In that connection, it is relevant to point out that there is no single logic in the world but many workable logics. Defining which logic is the best for each case depends on the purpose for which that logic is to be used, among other reasons.

As such, international law may provide fruitful ground for legal logicians to develop, expand, and test their theories. At the same time, some of the perspectives presented by legal logic may offer valuable tools to international legal scholars for analysing and conceptualising international law. Investigating the relationship between legal logic and the field of international law appears to be a worthwhile endeavour.

WHEN?

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WHERE?

Online (Zoom.com)

HOW TO REGISTER?

<https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/events/logic-international-law>

QUESTIONS?

Send an e-mail to h.jbmarcos@maastrichtuniversity.nl

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CENTRAL EUROPE TIME (CET)

11 AM

Rules determining applicability of international law
Lorand Bartels (Cambridge University)

12 PM (Noon)

Rational reconstruction in international legal reasoning
Ulf Linderfalk (Lund University)

12.45 PM

Lunch Break

2 PM

Paradoxes of customary international law and the role of logic
Valentin Jeutner (Lund University)
& **Federica Paddeu** (Cambridge University)

3 PM

Is there a logical line between the procedural and substantive rules of international law?
Jure Vidmar (Maastricht University)

3.45 PM

Coffee Break

4.15 PM

What makes a 'virtuous' argument in international law? A Logocratic Account
Gabriel Lentner (Danube University Krems)

5.15 PM

The life of international law is not logic but experience
David Lefkowitz (University of Richmond)

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Not seeing the forest for all the trees: fragmentation, pluralism, multiplicity and systems

Antonia Waltermann (Maastricht University)

12.45 PM

Lunch Break

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Consistency in international law

Torben Spaak (Stockholm University)

3 PM

The logic of human rights

Jaap Hage (Maastricht University)

3.45 PM

Coffee Break

4.15 PM

A logical account of the interaction between humanitarian and human rights law

Henrique Marcos (Maastricht & São Paulo Universities)

5.15 PM

The logic of principal and accessory responsibility for international crimes

Craig Eggett (Maastricht University)