Fourth Annual Conference of the Law and Development Research Network

Call for Papers

The conference aims to investigate the plural nature of law and development as a field of study, meaning and practice. As in prior conferences, it shall bring together all varieties of researchers from the Global South and North, who share an interest in law and development. We particularly encourage speakers from the Global South to participate and further pluralize the field and the network. We invite contributions along two tracks of themes:

A specific track will focus on reflections about the ‘field’ of law and development including on:
- Histories of law and development
- Bridging theory and practice in law and development
- Teaching law and development
- Intra- and inter-disciplinarity in law and development
- Dealing with plurality in our research

A general track is open to any issue raised by proposals including on themes such as:
- Human rights, access to justice, and legal empowerment
- Diversity, gender, and non-discrimination
- Non-state law and legal pluralism
- International law and development (e.g. economic law, institutional law of development cooperation)
- Technology and digitalization

CONFIRMED KEYNOTE SPEAKERS include: Justice Madan Lokur (Former Judge at the Supreme Court of India), Prof. Katharina Pistor (Columbia Law School), Prof. David Trubek (University of Wisconsin Law School)

SUBMISSIONS: We invite proposals on any theme within the two tracks. Proposals can be fully formed panels or individual papers. The organizers also invite expressions of interest for two additional formats, namely ‘Practitioner Conversations’ and ‘Book Launch Conversations’.

DEADLINE: Proposals and expressions of interest should be submitted by 15 February 2019 – in accordance with the formats described on our website.

CONTACT: Please e-mail your submissions or questions to berlinconference.rewi@hu-berlin.de

TRAVEL STIPENDS: A limited number of travel stipends for speakers based in countries of the Global South will be available. Applications should be submitted together with paper proposals. For details on the application, please refer to our website.

DECISIONS about papers and funding applications will be announced in April 2019.

FOR ANY FURTHER INFORMATION on conference themes, submissions, and stipends see https://ldrn2019berlin.wordpress.com/. For more on the network see https://lawdev.org/.