

The Legitimacy of Legal Decisions Adopted under Radical Uncertainties

Conference programme



Thursday, 21 may 2026

13h30 -- Welcome of the participants

14h – Keynote speech

Clara MATHIS - PhD student, CRDP-ERDP,
University of Lille

Marie COPIN - PhD student, CERAPS,
University of Lille

14h20 – Introduction

Martin Belov, Full Professor, University St
Klement Ohridski (Bulgaria)

15h - 16h — Panel 1

Radical uncertainties and Theory of Law

Paul URANGA, PhD student, University of
Bordeaux (France) and University of Laval
(Canada) : « La pédagogie judiciaire comme
moyen de légitimation des décisions
juridictionnelles internationales en temps
d'incertitude »

Michael KALIS, Senior Research Associate,
IKEM - Greifswald University (Germany) :
« Futurization, Radical Uncertainty, and the
Limits of Expert-Based Legitimacy in
Contemporary Legal Decision-Making »

16h - break

16h15 - 17h30 — Panel 2

Radical uncertainties and Constitutional law

Flaviana CERQUOZZI, PhD student, Sapienza
University of Rome (Italy) :

« Rule of Law Conditionality and Constitutional
Identity under Radical Uncertainty: Economic and
Geopolitical Challenges »

Marco SCIARRA, PhD Student, Roma Tre
University (Italy) : « Légitimité légale vs légitimité
démocratique des décisions juridiques adoptées
dans un contexte d'incertitude (radicale ?) : le cas
d'étude de l'élection présidentielle roumaine de
2024 »

Mariana LANOTTE, Dr., Università di Bologna
(Italy) :

« An uncertainty remedy for a certain crisis:
nullity of national judgements as a response to
Poland's rollbacksliding »

Friday, 22 may 2026

9h – Welcome of the participants

9h30 - 11h — Panel 3

Radical uncertainties and International law

Philomène ALENE ENGAMBA, Dr., University of Limoges (France) : « Légitimer l'exception : les sanctions sportives internationales à l'épreuve de la crise Russo-Ukrainienne »

Rebecca BRUEKERS, PhD student, University of Nottingham's School of Law (England) : « The International Court of Justice's Decision-Making Processes in Times of Radical Uncertainties »

Simon & Elie KLEE, PhD students, University of Aix-Marseille (France) and University of Ottawa (Canada) : « La légitimité des décisions juridiques adoptées par les États menacés de disparition »

Franco DI PEDE, PhD student, Università degli studi della Tuscia (Italy) : « Human Rights Treaty Systems in Times of Growing Uncertainty »

11h - 12h15 - break

11h20h - 12h30 — Panel 4

Radical uncertainties and European law

Xenia SEABRIGHT, PhD student, University of Vienna (Austria) : « Whatever It Takes and Why: EU Economic Emergency Measures and the Legitimacy of Law under Radical Uncertainty »

Julien DEBANDE, PhD, Université Libre de Bruxelles (Belgium) : « Institutionalising flexibility: Legitimacy challenges in the evolving EU financial toolkit for Ukraine »

Aurelio CORNEO, PhD student, Humboldt University (Germany) : « International Law Legitimacy of European Responses to Russia's Invasion of Ukraine: Between Political-Moral Imperatives and Uncertain Legality »

Artūrs ŠUSPĀNS, PhD student and lawyer, University of Latvia (Latvia) : « The Notion of 'Geopolitical Context' in the Application of the European Convention on Human Rights: A Weighty Argument for Uncertain Times? »

12h30 - 14h00 - lunch break

14h30 - 16h — Panel 5

Radical uncertainties and Environment

Anyssa FATMI, PhD student, University of Bordeaux (France) and University Mykolas Romeris (Lithuania) : « EU Climate law governance : constant or variables ? Its (un)natural uncertainties and contradictions »

Alberto NICOTINA, Dr., University of Amsterdam (Netherlands) : « Strategic Climate Litigation in Europe: Direct and Indirect Consequences for Democracy »

Zaki SHUBBER, PhD student, Queen Mary University of London (England) : « Radical Uncertainty, Shared Freshwater Resources and International Law »

Nikolas KECKHUT, PhD student, University of Paris 1 (France) : « La légitimité des Cours européenne et interaméricaine face aux enjeux environnementaux et climatique, du verdissement au dialogue »

16h – 16h30 - conclusive remarks