Law and Justice in the Global Age: A Cosmopolitan Approach

In the context of globalization, are law and the rule of law of a global scope? More fundamentally, should law and the rule of law be of a global scope? This workshop attempts to introduce how law, legal institutions and the rule of law can and should be observed and conceptualized in the global age. It focuses on explaining methodological cosmopolitanism, as well as providing a cosmopolitan perspective in empirical observation and normative reflection. The central questions to be addressed in this workshop are whether and how the key concepts related to law and legal institutions, such as sovereignty and legitimacy, well-being and security, the rule of law and justice, which are conventionally conceptualized in the nation-state-centered society, should be re-conceptualized in the context of globalization through applying methodological cosmopolitanism.

This workshop consists of two sessions. A workshop outline is available **here**.

Session 1: Understanding the Meaning of Methodological Cosmopolitanism and the General Principles of its Application (Jun 15, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, P501, Graduate House)

Session 2: *Applying Methodological Cosmopolitanism in Different Areas of Legal Research* (Jun 16, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm, P501, Graduate House)

At the end of the workshop, participants will be able to understand methodological cosmopolitanism, to change the perspectives of observation and theorizing from the national to the cosmopolitan outlook in the global age, and to critically apply this method in their own normative and empirical research. It will thus provide an indispensable aid for their empirical and normative research with respect to law and social sciences.

Registration is needed for the workshop. Students who are interested please complete the "<u>Application Form for Workshop Registration</u>" and submit it to the Graduate School by <u>Jun 13,</u> 2017.

About the workshop leader

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