



## **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Legal Research Network Conference**

### ***Legal Developments in Europe and the Future of European Rule of Law***

**Göttingen, 4-7 September 2018**

#### **Call for Papers**

The Law Faculties of the Universities of Bristol, Budapest (ELTE), Ghent, Göttingen, Groningen, Lille – Nord de France, Turku and Uppsala cordially invite junior and senior researchers to participate in the 11th Annual Legal Research Network Conference on 4-7 September 2018. The conference will be hosted by the Law Faculty of the University of Göttingen.

#### **Aim of the Legal Research Network Conferences**

The LRN conference offers a common space for both senior and junior scholars to present and discuss their research in a stimulating international environment, which transcends the traditional boundaries of the legal sub-disciplines.

#### **2018 Conference Theme**

The rule of law is a founding principle stemming from the common constitutional traditions of European States and a fundamental value upon which the European Union is based. However, current domestic developments in various EU Member States show that we are far from consolidated consensus regarding the principles substance or even its value. The current worries about the erosion of the rule of law in Europe take place at a time when respect and promotion of the rule of law at the international level seem to gain in importance. What do current legal developments in European States or European institutions imply for the future of the rule of law? This complex question may be addressed from different angles and different levels. We encourage the submission of papers concerning - but not limited to - topics as:

- Conceptualization and legal character of the rule of law in Europe
- Compliance with judgements of the European Court of Human Rights
- Foundations and limits of rule of law in EU law
- Structure and actions of European institutions in light of the rule of law
- Interplay between national developments and the European rule of law
- Domestic constitutional developments in European States concerning the rule of law
- Promotion of the European rule of law

#### **Submission and deadlines**

We encourage researchers wishing to participate to submit a paper abstract (400 words max.) to Dr. iur. Till Patrik Holterhus, MLE., LL.M. (Yale) [tholter@jura.uni-goettingen.de] until **15 June 2018**. Confirmation of acceptance of the abstract and participation in the conference will be sent out on or around 30 June 2018. Questions regarding the conference and the Call for Papers may be directed to Lennart Wegener, MLE. [lennart.wegener@jura.uni-goettingen.de].

#### **Accommodation**

Information about accommodation will be made available in due course.

#### **Conference Organisation**

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