



**Winter School from 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2018**

**Theme**

***Comparative Law in the Global South: Methodological Challenges and Issues of Identity  
Formation***

**Organisers**

***National Law University Delhi***

**&**

***Università degli studi della Campania “Luigi Vanvitelli”***

***(formerly Second University of Naples)***

## DAY-WISE SCHEDULE

### **Day 1 (Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018)**

#### *Comparative Law in the Global South: Methodological Challenges*

- Welcome Note by Prof. Dr. Ranbir Singh, Vice Chancellor, NLU D
- Prof. Dr. Mahendra Pal Singh  
*Introductory Overview: The State of Play*
- Prof. Dr. Domenico Amirante  
*Comparing Law in the Global South: Epistemic and Methodological Challenges*
- Prof. Werner Menski  
*Methodological Challenges: Is a Good Monist of Necessity a Pluralist?*
- Dr. Niraj Kumar
- Prof. Philipp Dann \*

#### **PhD students**

- Mr. Enrico Buono on South America
- Mr. Pasquale Viola on South Asia

## Day 2 (Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2018)

### *Federalism, Multiculturalism and Language Issues*

#### Federalism

- Prof. Balveer Arora
- Prof. M.P. Singh (IIPA)\*
- Bram Steenhuisen, Myanmar

*Federal Structures in the Global South and Capacity Building*

#### Language Issues

- Prof. Dr. Domenico Amirante  
*Managing language in multicultural societies: Can Europe learn from the Indian experience?*
- Dr. Christhu Doss  
*Decolonising the Mind: Mapping the Changing Contours of Linguistic Nationalism and the Discourse of Rashtrabhasha, 1946-1965*

#### Multiculturalism

- Prof. Yogendra Yadav \*
- Prof. T. K. Oomen \*
- Prof. Akeel Bilgrami \*
- Dr. Kyriaki Topidi, Luzerne  
*Multiculturalism and the Challenges of Hybrid Social Normativities*

#### PhD Students

- Irfan Sarhindi, Indonesia \*
- Nafay Choudhury \*

### **Day 3 (Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018)**

#### ***Legal Education and its Challenges***

- Dr. Irmgard den Hollander  
*The Plurality of Education in Terms of Input and Output*
- Dr. Kyriaki Topidi  
*Teaching about Law and Human Rights*
- Prof. Werner Menski and Dr. Kalindi Kokal  
*On the Challenges of Comparative Law Education and 'Doing' Legal Anthropology*
- Prof. Upendra Baxi \*
- Prof. B. S. Chimni \*
- Prof. Mohan Gopal \*
- Prof. B. T. Kaul, Delhi Judicial Academy \*

[Note: Especially if the other potential speakers come, Menski and Kokal could simply be combined into one presentation]

- Prof. Shahrul Mizan Ismail, Malaysia  
*Legal Education in Malaysia*
- Prof. Ahmad Hidayat Buang, Malaysia

### **Day 4 (Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018)**

#### ***Presentations on the Indian Yearbook of Comparative Law, 2016***

- Prof. Mahendra Pal Singh
- Dr. Niraj Kumar

## Day 5 (Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018)

### *Comparative Law and Justice in South and South East Asia: Methodological and Practical Challenges*

- Prof. Jean Dreze on Social Security \*
- Prof. Upendra Baxi on the issue of Justice in South Asia and South East Asia \*
- Prof. Nirja Jayal Gopal / Prof. Arun Thiruvengadam \*
- Prof. Philipp Dann/Co-authors on Methodological challenges\*
- Lavanya Rajamani \* &
- Dr. Rajnish Saryal, Ludhiana  
*India's changing approach towards climate change*
- Arun Som, IIT Mumbai  
*On Accountability of Police Powers*
- Prof Raihanah Abdullah on law and justice challenges in Malaysia

### **Book Launch:**

- Dr. Sonia Khan, Dhaka/London  
*The Politics and Law of Democratic Transition. Caretaker Government in Bangladesh.* London and New York: Routledge 2018

## Day 6 (Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018)

### *Challenges of Identity Construction: Much more than law*

- Presentation of Common Law Identity Report of the Centre for Comparative Law  
  
Prof. Dr. MP Singh and Raikamal Roy
- Prof. Domenico Amirante  
*Comparative Systemology and “mixed” legal systems: what role for legal identities in a global era?*
- Prof. W. Menski  
  
Chiba's methodology of theorising identity postulates and the resulting dichotomies.  
  
[I will make this short, but it is important for the discussion]
- Dr. Niraj Kumar on Identity and Law

- Prof. Ashis Nandy/ Prof. Sudhir Kakar/ Prof. Rajeev Bhargava/Prof. Neera Chandhoke (to be inquired from Prof. Nandy or Bhargava)\*
- Saika Sabir (Law and Gender Identity)\*

*Possible Contributors*

- Prof. Ridwanul Hoque on Chittagong Hill Tracts arrangements
- Dr. Biswajit Chanda, Bangladesh  
*The Uniform Civil Code Debate in Bangladesh*

- *How to do a Book Review,*

Led by Prof. W Menski and Dr. Devapriya Sanyal, JNU Delhi focused on: Deepak Kumar (2016) *The Trishanku Nation. Memory, Self and Society in Contemporary India*. New Delhi: OUP.

**Day 7 (Wednesday, 17 January 2018)**

***Educating the Nation: Special Panel on Educational Challenges in India, Past and Present in Interdisciplinary Perspective***  
***[Preparation of a Special Issue of South Asia Research, 38(2) (July 2018)]***

Chaired by Dr. Irmgard den Hollander and Prof. W. Menski