

WORKSHOP

Bureaucracies in Transition

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State bureaucracies are fundamental to how the rights of victims of systematic and massive human rights violations are actualised during and after transitions. Research by Stahn,¹ Nalepa,² Ludi,³ Roll,⁴ and Slyomovics⁵ suggests that conflict-era actors shape policy formulation as well as its on-the-ground implementation. As more post-conflict countries adopt a variety of measures to deal with the past, such as truth commissions, vetting, ad hoc tribunals, and large-scale administrative reparations programmes, in addition to maintaining legal avenues for obtaining reparations and redress, it is essential that we develop our understanding of these bureaucracies function and their impact on victims' rights' enjoyment. This workshop focuses on the experience of victims interacting with these bureaucracies and the administrators who manage them. Participants will reflect critically on the different challenges of implementation faced by these instruments of transitional justice as transitioning societies are moving from disparate policies spread across numerous (state) entities to ministries and agencies specifically dedicated to these tasks.⁶

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Programme

9:00-9:30	Arrival: coffee and biscuits
9:30-9:45	Welcome and introduction of participants
Session I	
9:45-11:00	Doing transitional justice: Reflections on the role of bureaucracies in the practice of transitional justice <i>Dr. Jemima García-Godos</i> University of Oslo, Norway
	Colouring by Numbers: How Bureaucracies Deal with Mass Harm

¹ STAHN, Carsten. 'Justice under Transitional Administration: Contours and Critique of a Paradigm' 2005. 27(2) *Houston Journal of International Law*. 311-344.

² NALEPA, Monika. *Skeletons in the Closet. Transitional Justice in Post-Communist Europe* (CUP, 2010).

³ LUDI, Regula. *Reparations for Nazi Victims in Postwar Europe* (CUP, 2012).

⁴ ROLL, Kate 'Street Level Bureaucrats and Post-conflict Policy-making: Corruption, Correctives, and the Rise of Veterans' Pensions in Timor-Leste'. 2018, 20(2) *Civil Wars*. 262-285.

⁵ SLYOMOVICS, Susan. *How to Accept German Reparations* (University of Pennsylvania Press 2015).

⁶ LAMONT, Christopher K, Joanna R Quinn and Eric Wiebelhaus-Brahm. 'The Ministerialization of Transitional Justice'. 2019, 20(1) *Human Rights Review*. 103-122.

	<i>Dr. Adriana Rudling</i> Queen's University Belfast, U.K.
11:00-11:15	Comfort break: coffee and tea
Session II	
11:15-13:00	Can Foreign Aid Foster Reconciliation? Evidence from Colombia <i>Johanna Amaya Panche</i> University of Essex, U.K.
	The Politics of Women's (Dis)empowerment. Exploring 'within group' power dynamics in women returnee organisations advocating for reparations <i>Alex Maxwell</i> University of Glasgow, U.K.
	Archives and Transitional Justice: A Crucial Relationship <i>Dr. Anita Ferrara</i> NUI Galway, Republic of Ireland
13:00-14:00	Lunch
Session III	
14:00-15:45	The Trick of Participative Compliance: Documenting Kankuamo Participation in Public Policies of Protection towards Them <i>Dr. Valentina Pellegrino</i> Universidad de los Andes, Colombia
	The Affective State and Precarious Citizenship: A Perspective from the Building of Historical Memory and Forgiveness as Mechanisms of Governance: Experiences from Bellavista, Bojayá – Colombia <i>Dr. Lina Buchely</i> Universidad ICESI Cali, Colombia
	Lustration Laws Dealing with State Administration in Albania <i>Valbona Ndrepepaj</i> University of Tirana, Albania
15:45-16:00	Comfort break: coffee and tea
16:00-17:00	Transition, Rupture and Repeat: How Does the Experience and Work of Civil Servants in Ecuador Shape Recent Attempts to Transform the Relationship between the State and Civil Society? <i>Ellen Gordon</i> University of Cambridge, U.K.
	Managing Global Justice Bureaucracies: Lessons from the International Criminal Court <i>Dr. Richard Clements</i> (Residential Fellow) Harvard University, US
	TBC <i>Dr. Juana Dávila Sáenz</i> Dejusticia, Colombia



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