



Edinburgh Postgraduate Law Conference 2025

Reframing Narratives: Viewing Law in a Different Light

DAY 1

Time	Events		
08:30 – 09:00	Registration <i>Room: Teaching Room 1</i>		
09:00-09:10	Introduction	Chair of EPLC 2025	
09:10-09:30	Opening Speeches <i>Usha Kasera</i> <i>Lecture Theatre</i>	Prof Kasey McCall-Smith, University of Edinburgh Prof Jo Shaw, University of Edinburgh	
09:30-10:15	Speech of Keynote Speaker <i>Usha Kasera</i> <i>Lecture Theatre</i>	Prof. Surabhi Ranganathan, University of Cambridge Success Stories — And Tall Tales	
10:15-10:30	Coffee/Tea Break <i>Room: Teaching Room 1</i>		
Panel 1: Reimagining Agency Personhood and Legal Subjects Chair: TBC <i>Room: Usha Kasera Lecture Theatre</i>			
10:30-10:45	Akshra Mehla	Manipal Academy of Higher Education	<i>Custom, Control, and Contestation: Women Navigating Khap Panchayats & State Institutions Through Legal Pluralism</i>
10:45-11:00	Verónica García de Cortázar	UCL	<i>The Two Dimensions of Obstetric Violence and Mistreatment in Childbirth</i>
11:00-11:15	Sukru Kagan Surucu	University of Edinburgh	<i>The Seventh Floor: Externalisation of Asylum and Reconstructing UNHCR's Mandate</i>



11:15-11:30	James Dodge	University of Aberdeen	What Makes it Human Trafficking?
11:30 – 11:45	Chloe Young	University of Edinburgh	The “Night-Time Self”: Understanding Risk, Danger, and Excitement in the Night-Time Economy
11:45-12:15	Questions and Discussion		
12:15-13:15	Lunch Room: Teaching Room 1 and 2		
Panel 2: Colonial Legacies and Decolonisation in Law Chair: TBC Room: Usha Kasera Lecture Theater			
13:15-13:30	Amanie Issa	Irish Centre for Human Rights & Centre for Disability Law and Policy	Disability Beyond the Global North: Challenging the Limits of Law in Settler Colonial Contexts
13:30-13:45	Leah Rea	Ulster University Transitional Justice Institute	Reframing the Struggle for Irish Language Rights Progression through the Conceptualisation of Constitutional Colonialism
13:45-14:00	Muhsin Puthan Purayil	Manipal Academy of Higher Education	Decolonizing Data, Asserting Sovereignty: Decoding the Legal Framework in India’s Digital Sovereignty
14:00-14:15	Wakila Hussain	University of Glasgow	The Story They Tell: Legal Pluralism, Indigenous Governance, and Development
14:15-14:30	Mariana Canto	University of Stirling	Reimagining the Regulation of Commercial Spyware through a Decolonial Perspective
14:30-15:00	Questions and Discussion		
15:00-15:15	Coffee/Tea Break Room: Teaching Room 1		

Panel 3: Limits to Fundamental Rights and Freedoms: Mainstream and Critical Perspectives

Chair: TBC

Room: Usha Kasera Lecture Theatre

15:15-15:30	Dawn Zeiter	University of Aberdeen	<i>From Profits to People: The Expanding Scope of Caremark Oversight</i>
15:30-15:45	Ashley Fuchs	University of Edinburgh	<i>A Phenomenological Framework for Understanding Pain, Punishment, and Incarceration</i>
15:45-16:00	Te-Ying Chen	University of Edinburgh	<i>The Development of Freedom of Speech Doctrine—A European Perspective</i>
16:00-16:15	Sezen Ucuncu	University of Edinburgh	<i>Rethinking the Legitimacy of Security Grounds in EU Asylum Law: Access to International Protection at Stake</i>
16:15-16:45	Questions and Discussion		
16:45-17:00	Closing Remarks for Day 1		
18:00-20:00	Conference Dinner		

DAY 2

Time	Events	
08:45-09:00	Arrivals and Coffee	
09:00-09:45	Speech of Keynote Speaker <i>Usha Kasera</i> <i>Lecture Theatre</i>	Dr. Nora Jaber , University of Edinburgh “On the Juridification of Justice”
09:45-10:00	Coffee/Tea Break <i>Room: Teaching Room 1</i>	



Panel 4: Traditional and Alternative Frameworks for the Global Legal Order

Chair: TBC

Room: Usha Kasera Lecture Theatre

10:00-10:15	Nikolas Sabjan	Comenius University Bratislava	<i>Reframing Marxist Approaches to International Law: Insights from SWAIL</i>
10:15-10:30	Héloïse Guichardaz	University of Edinburgh	<i>The United Nations and Immunity: Between Functionality and Impunity</i>
10:30-10:45	Bruno Rodriguez Reveggino	University of Edinburgh	<i>The Role of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in shaping Multilateralism</i>
10:45-11:00	Ebunoluwa Bamigboye	Newcastle University	<i>Who Gets to Participate? An Intersectional Critique of Children's Participation in Truth Commissions</i>
11:00-11:30	Questions and Discussion		

Poster Session

Room: Teaching Rooms 1 and 2

11:30 – 12:45	Ece Selin Yetkin	University of Southampton	<i>The Practical Use of Lex Mercatoria Doctrine for Greater Harmonisation in Middle Eastern Arbitration</i>
	Thi Ngoc Mai Nguyen (Author) and Alice Kowalewska (Supporter)	University of Bristol	<i>Post-World War II Transformations in Subjects: States Maintain Primacy Amid International Law</i>
	Fransiska Ari Indrawati	University of Edinburgh	<i>Designing Data and Privacy Protection in CBDC Transactions</i>
	Klaudia Zagolska, Goldsmiths	University of London	<i>Ideology and Governance Feminism: A Framework for Understanding Women's Rights and State Power</i>
	Gozos Dianela Peña Peña	University of Edinburgh	<i>Deconstructing Legal Narratives from a TWAIL perspective: Afro-descendant Rights and the Need for Legal Reform in Latin America</i>



12:45 – 13:45	Lunch <i>Room: Teaching Room 1 and 2</i>	
13:45- 14:00	Closing Speech	TBC
14:00- After	Drink Reception and Networking <i>Room: Teaching Room 1 and 2</i>	