



Erasmus Early-Career Scholars Conference

Call for Papers

Deadline for Abstract Submissions: January 7, 2018

The PhD in Law Association Rotterdam ([PILAR](#)) invites submissions for the *Erasmus Early-Career Scholars Conference* to be held on 11, 12 and 13 April 2018. The Conference is supported by the Erasmus School of Law ([ESL](#)), Rotterdam School of Management ([RSM](#)) and Faculty of Philosophy ([FW](#)) of the Erasmus University Rotterdam under the Erasmus Initiative ‘Dynamics of Inclusive Prosperity’. The purpose of this conference is to create an innovative and interdisciplinary discussion forum and open a new dialogue among junior scholars from different disciplines. The theme of the conference is:

“New business models and globalized markets: Rethinking public and private responsibilities”

In recent years, globalized markets and new business models have raised questions on whether governments, regulators and entrepreneurs should reshape their approaches towards public and private governance. Technologies are changing rapidly, digital economies have emerged, and markets have become more integrated. These developments have been accompanied by increases in social inequality and financial turbulence. This framework calls for a reflection on innovative legal and non-legal approaches, and on the balance between public and private responsibilities.

This topic refers to the legal, economic and societal responses to challenges posed by globalized markets and their effect on social inclusion and sustainable growth. Yet, the concept “public and private responsibilities” should be considered broadly. It can relate to different kinds of doctrines, regulations and policies. The conference aims to bring together junior scholars to discuss strategies and international trends in public and private governance from an interdisciplinary perspective. The wide scope of the conference’s topic will trigger discussions in the fields of social science. The subsequent discussions will enable early-career academics to: (i) contribute with theoretical and/or empirical references; (ii) gather relevant case studies; and (iii) identify recent debates in academia, new trends and drawbacks in social science studies that have arisen with globalization.

Main topics:

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Business and Human Rights
- Conflicts between Public and Private Governance
- Corporate Crime
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Energy and Environment Regulation
- Institutional and Social Challenges
- Law, Information, and Technology
- Social and Legal Implications of Globalization

Confirmed Key Note Speakers

Professor **Jonathan Klick**, *University of Pennsylvania*

Jonathan Klick is a Professor of Law. His scholarship has been published in numerous peer-reviewed economics journals, including *The Journal of Economic Perspectives* and *The Journal of Law & Economics*. He is currently one of the Editors of *International Review of Law and Economics*. He teaches, among other courses, Law & Economics, Torts, and Corporations.

Professor **Tom Dedeurwaerdere**, *Université Catholique de Louvain*

Tom Dedeurwaerdere is Professor at the Faculty of Philosophy and Director of Research of the Biodiversity Governance Unit at the Centre for the Philosophy of Law. His research interests include transition theory, governance of biodiversity and ecosystem services and transdisciplinary research methodology. His main research focus is on the institutional analysis of the governance of the global environmental commons and the global knowledge commons.

Miriam Kennet, *Green Economics Institute and Oxford University*

Miriam Kennet is an economist, Co-founder and CEO of the Green Economics Institute. She also founded and edits the *International Journal of Green Economics*, the first peer-reviewed international journal in the area. Having researched at Oxford University, Oxford Brookes and South Bank University, she is a member of Mansfield College and the Environmental Change Institute at Oxford University. In October 2011, Kennet was nominated as one of One World Action's 100 Most Powerful Women.

Professor **Katharina Pistor**, *Columbia University*

Katharina Pistor is a Professor of Law at Columbia Law School and Director of the Law School's Center on Global Legal Transformation. Her research and teaching spans corporate law, corporate governance, money and finance, property rights, and comparative law and legal institutions. She teaches, among other courses, Corporate Law and Finance, Corporations and Law and Development.

Submission

Participation in the *Erasmus Early-Career Scholars Conference* is open to all Ph.D. candidates, Post-Doc researchers and Assistant Professors. Prospective contributors are invited to submit their **abstract (750 words maximum)** with **5 keywords**, including topic, research question, methodology, expected findings **and a short CV** at <https://www.esl.eur.nl/phd/pilar/conference/> by **January 7, 2018**.

Selected papers will be announced by the beginning of **February 2018**. A full draft of the paper is due on **April 1, 2018** with the objective of publishing a collection of (selected) articles from the conference. Draft papers will be circulated among the participants in advance and each presenter will be accompanied by a senior discussant from the Erasmus University Rotterdam. The author of the best paper will be awarded by the Erasmus Graduate School of Law.

Participation in the conference is free of charge but registration is required. Registration should be addressed to <https://www.esl.eur.nl/phd/pilar/conference/> by April 1.

Financial aid

Subject to later confirmation, there may be limited funds available to help cover accommodation and travel costs for selected participants. Authors wishing to be considered for financial assistance are kindly requested to state it in their application.

For more information, please visit <https://www.esl.eur.nl/phd/pilar/conference/>. Questions may be directed to conference organizers at pilar@law.eur.nl.