Geographies of the law

Inquiries into the space-law tangle

Overview Programme

13 December
14:30 – 14:45: Opening
14:45 – 16:00: Keynote speech
Outlaw geographies
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Critical legal geography is interested in the ways in which legal space excludes and marginalizes certain subjects. Drawing from several recent projects, I suggest the concept of ‘outlawry’ as a means by which we can conceptualize legal-geographic oppression and violence. Outlawry entails the designation of classes of people from whom some of the ordinary protections and benefits of law are withheld, placing them in a space of precarity in which they are subject to punishment by virtue of their membership in an outlaw class. Houseless and criminalized people are outlawed, as are Indigenous people, I demonstrate. Space is fundamental to outlawry: not only does it entail a metaphorical banishment, but it also works through geographies of relegation, denial, and violence.

16:30 – 18:30: Parallel paper sessions 1
• Legal geographies of spatial regulation (I)
• Legal geographies of housing
• Legal geographies of violence and rights

14 December
9:00 – 10:30: Parallel paper sessions 2
• Legal geographies of spatial regulation (II)
• The Land Regime of the Territories Occupied by Israel: A Critical Legal Geography of The West Bank, 1967-2017
• Legal geographies of the pandemic crisis (I)

11:00 – 13:00: Parallel paper sessions 3
• Legal geographies of gender and sex
• Theoretical reflections on the law-space tangle (I)
• Legal geographies of the environment

14:30 – 16:00: Parallel paper sessions 4
• Legal geographies of spatial regulation (III)
• Methodological reflections on the law-space tangle
• Legal geographies of the pandemic crisis (II)

16:30 – 18:30: Parallel sessions 5
• Legal geographies of spatial regulation (IV)
• Theoretical reflections on the law-space tangle (II)
• Legal geographies of migrations

18:30 – 18:40: Closing

*Time zone: CET

Participation
Free online participation is possible upon registration.
Registration is required by December 12 at: https://forms.gle/U8pEBF4L5JTUrDMH8

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