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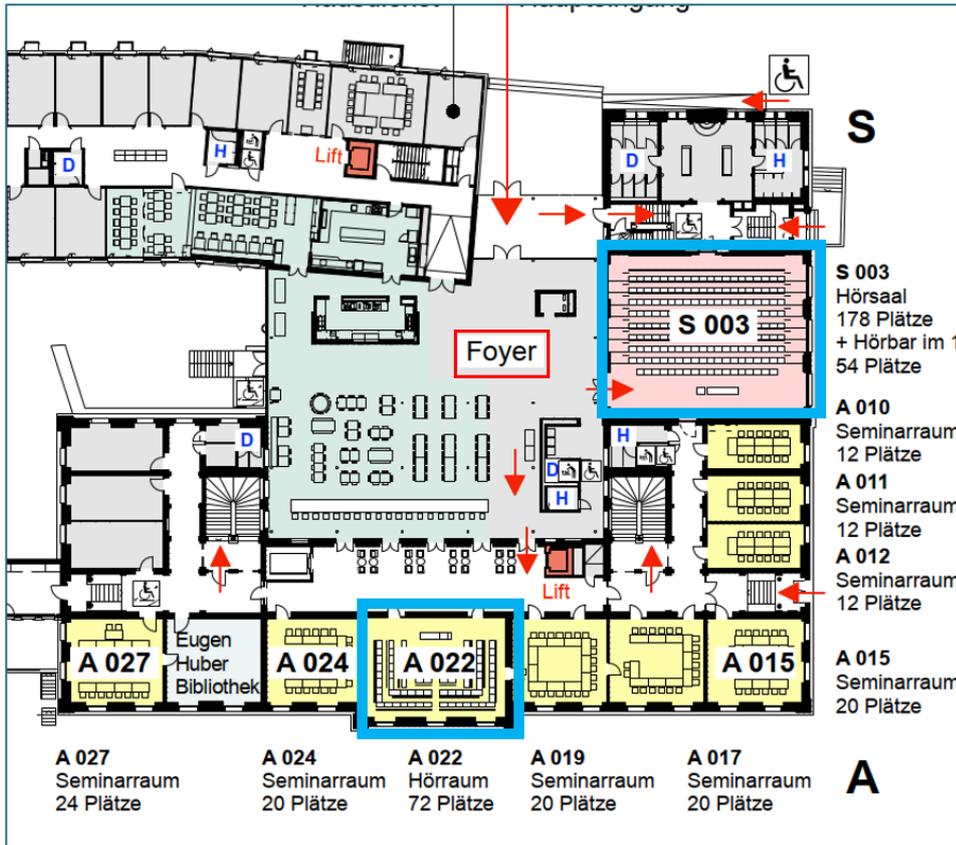
Day 1: 10.2.2025			
9h00-10h00	Registration & Coffee		
10h00-10h45	Opening & welcome by Rector of the University of Bern Virginia Richter Introduction by the organizers [S003]		
10h45-11h45	Keynote I: Suzana Sawyer (UC Davis) - Figuring Law's Destruction Efficiency [S003]		
11h45-13h15	Lunch		
13h15-14h45	P1: Criminal Law & the Anthropocene I [A022]	P9: Carbon pricing [A-126]	P16: Défis de la recherche socio-juridique I [A-122]
14h45-15h00	Coffee break		
15h00-16h30	P2: Criminal Law & the Anthropocene II [A022]	P13: Environmental rights as a posthuman care turn [A-126]	P17: Défis de la recherche socio-juridique II [A-122]
16h30-16h45	Coffee break		
16h45-17h45	Roundtable I: Blindspots and Limits of Climate Litigation [S003] Clémence Demay, Carmella Schaller, Graeme Hayes, Riccardo Fornasari, Juan Auz		
18h00	Apero		

Day 2: 11.2.2025			
8h30-9h00	Coffee		
9h00-10h30	P3: Criminal Law & the Anthropocene III [A022]	P10: Private finance & sustainability transitions [S003]	P18: Archives of the Transnational I [A-122]
10h30-11h00	Coffee break		
11h00-12h00	Keynote II: Lys Kulamadayil (IHEID) - Re-imagining international law in the Anthropocene [S003]		
12h00-13h15	Lunch		
13h15-14h45	P4: Judicialization of Climate Politics I [A022]	P14: Territories of Life I [A-126]	P19: Archives of the Transnational II [A-122]
14h45-15h00	Coffee break		
15h00-16h30	P5: Judicialization of Climate Politics II [A022]	P11: Law & Politics of Environmental & Climate Lobbying [A-126]	P20: New approaches on environm. law & litigation [A-122]
16h30-16h45	Coffee break		
16h45-17h45	Roundtable II: The Potentials and Pitfalls of Rights of Nature in Action [S003] Cristina Espinosa, María Ximena González-Serrano, Johan Horst, Annette Mehlhorn		

Day 3: 12.2.2025			
8h30-9h00	Coffee		
9h00-10h30	P6: Judicialization of Climate Politics III [A022]	P24: Seeking Justice in Social and Political Transformations [A-126]	P21: Conducting law & society research in Switzerland I [A-122]
10h30-11h00	Coffee break		
11h00-12h00	Keynote III: Elisa Fornalé - Beyond the Climate Crisis Narrative: Slow Violence & the Legal Value of Time [S003]		
12h00-13h15	Lunch		
13h15-14h45	P7: A restorative city in Switzerland [A022]	P12: Law & Climate Change: socio-legal intersections [A-126]	P22: Conducting law & society research in Switzerland II [A-122]
14h45-15h00	Coffee break		
15h00-16h30	P8: L'accès à l'information environnementale [A022]	P15: Territories of Life II [A-126]	P23: Child-Parents Relations [A-122]
16h30-17h15	Conclusion and ways forward for the SNLS: Jonathan Miaz and Fiona Friedli [S003]		

Panels

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Stream	Panel	Room	Panel title	Panel convenor	Convenor email
1	P1	A022	Criminal Law & the Anthropocene I	Bijan Fateh-Moghadam, Alice Savarino	bijan.fateh [at] unibas.ch alice.savarino [at] unibas.ch
1	P2	A022	Criminal Law & the Anthropocene II		
1	P3	A022	Criminal Law & the Anthropocene III		
1	P4	A022	Judicialization of Climate Politics I	Jevgeniy Bluwstein, Lucie Benoit	jevgeniy.bluwstein [at] unibe.ch lucie.benoit [at] unibe.ch
1	P5	A022	Judicialization of Climate Politics II		
1	P6	A022	Judicialization of Climate Politics III		
1	P7	A022	A restorative city in Switzerland	Mina Rauschenbach	minarau [at] bluewin.ch
1	P8	A022	L'accès à l'information environnementale	Veronique Boillet, Clémence Demay, Mélanie Levy, Céline Mavrot	veronique.boillet [at] unil.ch clemence.demay.reb [at] gmail.com melanie.levy [at] unine.ch celine.mavrot [at] unil.ch
2	P9	A-126	Carbon pricing across borders	Kiri Santer	kiri.santer [at] unibe.ch
2	P10	S003	Private finance and sustainability transitions	Ariņç Onat Kılıç	arinconat.kilic [at] uantwerpen.be
2	P11	A-126	The Law and Politics of Environmental and Climate Lobbying	Odile Ammann	odile.ammann [at] unil.ch
2	P12	A-126	Law and Climate Change: socio-legal intersections	Agathe Mora	agathe.mora [at] unil.ch
3	P13	A-126	Environmental rights as a posthuman care turn	Coralie Raffenne	coralie.raffenne [at] dauphine.psl.eu
3	P14	A-126	Territories of Life I	Mauro Iob, Marta Villa	mauroiob [at] mauroiob.it marta.villa [at] unitn.it
3	P15	A-126	Territories of Life II		
4	P16	A-122	Naviguer les défis de la recherche socio-juridique I	Mariam Benalioua, Chloé Ould Aklouche, Tachfine Baida	mariambenalioua [at] gmail.com chloe.ouldaklouche [at] scpobx.fr tachfine.baida [at] gmail.com
4	P17	A-122	Naviguer les défis de la recherche socio-juridique II		
4	P18	A-122	Institutional Archives and Counter- Archives of the Transnational I	Grégoire Mallard	gregoire.mallard [at] graduateinstitute.ch
4	P19	A-122	Institutional Archives and Counter- Archives of the Transnational II		
4	P20	A-122	New approaches in socio-legal research on environmental law and litigation	Laura Affolter	Laura.Affolter [at] his- online.de
4	P21	A-122	Conducting law and society research in Switzerland I	Jonathan Miaz, Fiona Friedli, Tamara Constantin	jonathan.miaz [at] unil.ch fiona.friedli [at] unil.ch tamara.constantin [at] unil.ch
4	P22	A-122	Conducting law and society research in Switzerland II		
4	P23	A-122	Child-Parents Relations	Laura Bernardi	laura.bernardi [at] unil.ch
4	P24	A-126	Seeking Justice in Social and Political Transformations – Recent Anthropological Perspectives	Alice Margaria	alice.margaria [at] ius.uzh.ch



Presentations

Panel / room	Panel title	Paper Title	Presenter name & institutional affiliation
P1 / A022	Criminal Law & the Anthropocene I: Criminalization in the Anthropocene: an essentially contested concept	Impulse: The Anthropocene as transformative scientific paradigm	Bijan Fateh-Moghadam (University of Basel)
		The End of Criminal Law in the Anthropocene	Philipp-Alexander Hirsch (MPI Freiburg)
		Transformation or Continuation? A Socio-Legal Critique of the Expansion of Criminal Law to Address the Harms of the Anthropocene	Felix Butz (Leipzig University), Johanna Nickels (University Frankfurt)
		Criminal Law Doctrine as a „Negative“ Means for Reflection to Protect the „Global Commons“	Nicolai von Maltitz (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München)
		Reflections on the shape and change of criminal law's concept of nature in the Anthropocene	Finn-Lauritz Schmidt (University Frankfurt)
P2 / A022	Criminal Law & the Anthropocene II: Climate change and criminal justice: empirical approaches	Impulse: Confronting human-being in a post-digital Anthropocene	Christoph Burchard (University Frankfurt)
		Harms or crimes? A sociological approach to how justice systems in the Global South address environmentally damaging actions	Martina Lassalle (University of Buenos Aires)
		The genocide-ecocide nexus in the Amazon: lessons from the Yanomami catastrophe	Maria Fernanda Sousa, Gabriela Helena Oliveira Borges, Eduardo Saad-Diniz (University of São Paulo)
		Empirical Perspectives of the Use of Criminal Law Climate Change Responsibility: Questioning the Principle of Non-Retroactivity	Bethany Houghton (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam)
		'Systemic criminality' and restorative-punitive law: which scenarios for the future of transnational criminal justice?	Maria Giovanna Brancati, Unielma (Sapienza Roma)
P3 / A022	Criminal Law & the Anthropocene III: Anthropogenic environmental harm and criminal liability: scope, doctrines, sanction	Impulse: New dimensions of time and space in anthropogenic harm from criminal law perspective	Alice Savarino (University of Basel)
		Anthropization and Criminal Law: Considerations on the Legal Asset Worthy of Protection in the "Anthropocene"	Benedetta Paterra (University of Pisa)
		The limits and potential of legislating for Environmental Crime and Ecocide in the EU	Noreen O'Meara (University of Surrey)
		Rethinking Criminal Law: A Transnational Approach to understand the Anthropocene	Giuseppe Di Vetta (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa)
P4 / A022	Judicialization of Climate Politics I: Critical perspectives on climate litigation	Lacan's theory on discourses as applied to the private law's corporate liability in climate change	Marta Zamorska (University of Lausanne)
		Contextualizing the Judicialization of Climate Politics: Juridification, Scale and Externalization	Tino Petzold (Goethe University Frankfurt)
		Critical phenomenology of ecocide	Clayton Fyock (Essex)
		Climate Trials as Arenas of Hegemonic Conflicts	David Krummen (University of Bern)
P5 / A022	Judicialization of Climate Politics II: Climate activism and civil disobedience on trial	French case of climate civil disobedience on trial	Marie Jadoul (UC Louvain)
		Judicialization of Climate Politics or Politicization of Climate Litigation: Two Sides of the Same Coin?	Adina Keller (University of Bern)
		Mapping actors' role in criminal trials of climate activists	Marie Desaulles (University of Neuchatel)
		Silence and Climate Disobedience in the English Courts	Graeme Hayes (Aston University) & Steven Cammiss (University of Birmingham)

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P6 / A022	Judicialization of Climate Politics III: (Strategic) Climate Litigation	Court Judgement and State Responsibilities: How Switzerland reacts to its Condemnation for Climate Inaction by the ECHR	Alexandre Flückiger, Michaël Netter, Frédéric Varone, François-Xavier Viallon (University of Geneva)
		The Use and Functions of "Reasonableness" in Climate Litigation	Violetta Sefkow-Werner (University of Zürich)
		ECHR and Climate-related Risks: What the KlimaSeniorinnen Judgment really suggests	Pranav Ganesan (University of Zürich)
		Climate Litigation in South Korea Contextualized	Aleydis Nissen (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Universiteit Antwerpen)
P7 / A022	A Restorative City in Switzerland: Bridging Democratic Dialogue and Social Cohesion in the Anthropocene	The theoretical and conceptual foundations of the restorative cities project	Mina Rauschenbach (KU Leuven)
		Restorative cities around the world	Claudia Campistol
		Mapping restorative initiatives in Switzerland: Towards a proactive restorative culture	Claudia Christen-Schneider (Swiss RJ Forum, European Forum for Restorative Justice)
		Participatory reflection on the opportunities and challenges of a restorative cities project	Aurélien Stoll (High School of Social Work, Fribourg)
P8 / A022	L'accès à l'information environnementale : un pilier pour l'action citoyenne ?	Pesticide Regulation: A Giant in the Shadow	Irene Musselli (University of Bern)
		Empowering Citizen-Consumers: The Role of Access to Environmental Information	Iris Benohr (University of Southampton)
		Health narratives in climate litigation: ensuring the right to science for vulnerable groups	Anna Galmiche (University of Neuchâtel)
		La participation citoyenne, avec quelles informations ?	Nesa Zimmermann & Romaine de Rivaz (University of Neuchâtel)
P9 / A-126	Carbon pricing across borders <i>Discussant: Florian Skelton, University of Zurich</i>	The global governance of carbon taxation	Alice Pirlot (IHEID)
		Legal and Governance Challenges of Implementing Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanisms: Implications for International Trade and Carbon Pricing	Charalampia Mikropoulou (Aix Marseille University)
		Uncertainty in the post-free pollution era: Insights from the European metal industry	Kiri Santer (University of Bern)
P10 / S003	Private finance and sustainability transitions: What role for law and legal innovations?	Fostering Sustainable Finance: The Role of Law and Independent Authorities	Chiara Treglia, (Luiss Guido Carli, Rome)
		Third-party Funding in European Climate Litigation: Threat or Opportunity?	Alberto Nicotina (University of Amsterdam)
		A socio-legal study of Belize debt-for-ocean conservation swap	Arinç Onat Kılıç (University of Antwerp)
P11 / A-126	The Law and Politics of Environmental and Climate Lobbying	International Lobbying: Questions of Authority, Representativeness and Ideals in International Law	Letizia Lo Giacco (Leiden University)
		Philanthropy and Lobbying for Environmental Law	Carolyn Abbot (University of Manchester), Maria Lee (University College London)
		Interest Group Participation in the Legislative Procedure as a Constitutional Issue: An Analysis of the German Basic Law with Special Regard to Climate Politics	Jakob Hohnerlein (Max-Planck-Institut, Freiburg)
		Beyond Transparency: Lobbying as a Participatory Instrument in the EU	Antonia-Evangelia Christopoulou (Erasmus University Rotterdam)
		The Swiss Climate Strikes as Lobbying for New Rights Understandings	Nicole Nickerson (University of Zurich)
P12 / A-126	Law and Climate Change: socio-legal intersections	Recent ECtHR case law regarding climate change: a deviation from the anthropocentric course of the Convention	Gulnaz Alasgarova (Institute of Law and Human Rights, Azerbaijan)
		Legislating Uncertain Climate Futures: The Ambiguities of Hydrogen Infrastructure in Germany's Energy Transition	Martina Kolanoski (University of Greifswald)
		Seafarers in the Anthropocene: Climate Change and Shipping Decarbonisation	Luisa Piart (MPI Halle)

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P13 / A-126	Environmental rights as a posthuman care turn in environmental law: feminist perspectives	De-naturalising nature: a return of materialism in socio-legal studies?	Veronica Pecile (University of Lucerne)
		The role of care ethics in promoting the rights of nature	Gonca Kuru (Maltepe University)
		Celebrating Mountains and neglecting Rivers: Rights of Nature in Mongolia	Sayana Namsaraeva, Bayar Dashpurev (U Cambridge)
		The rights of nature, from an indigenous woman perspective	Elisa Loncón (University of Santiago)
		Rights for the non-human? A Comparative Case Study	María J. Acosta Lazo, Isabel A. Orizaga Inzunza, (OHCHR)
P14 / A-126	Territories of Life I: Collectivity and Land as (New) Rights-Bearing Subject in the Anthropocene. The Contemporary Challenge of Another Way of Owning	Promoting Territories of Life in Europe. Methodological challenges.	Marco Bassi (Università di Palermo)
		Re-thinking subjectivity of territories of life: A case study of the Irulars	Raghavi Viswanath (SOAS University of London)
		Ownership in three Rights of Nature case studies (Whanganui River, Río Atrato and Lake Erie)	Fiona Leu (Universität Bern)
		Des concepts et instruments ayant pour ambition de mieux appréhender la vie et la qualité de la vie. Le cas du Consorzio Uomini Massenzatica	Maguelonne Déjeant-Pons (Unione Europea) Carlo Ragazzi (Consorzio Uomini Massenzatica)
P15 / A-126	Territories of Life II: Collectivity and Land as (New) Rights-Bearing Subject in the Anthropocene. The Contemporary Challenge of Another Way of Owning	Open Sesame! Ali Baba and the Mines: the scars on collective property that protect environment. Case studies between public and applied jurisprudence and anthropology	Mauro Iob, Marta Villa (University of Trento)
		Rules and practices in rice production in Piedmont: legal and anthropological aspects	Francesco Aimerito, Roberta Lombardi, Rossana Pennazio, Davide Porporato (Università Piemonte Orientale)
		Community Rights and Corporate Due Diligence: Lessons from Italy's Collective Land Experiences	Clara De Chirico (University of Macerata)
		Natural Parks, archeological site, civic uses and institutional-constitutional reforms in Italy after 2021/2022	Giuseppe Di Genio (Università di Salerno)
		A historical-comparative analysis of ghosts: usi civici and demani collettivi in Sicily. Preliminary suggestions for protective measure	Alessandra Pera (Università di Palermo) Nicoletta Patti (Institute Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna of Pisa)
P16 / A-122	Naviguer les défis de la recherche socio-juridique sur des terrains difficiles I: Questionnements méthodologiques, analytiques et épistémologiques <i>Discussant: Alexis Blouët, Aix-Marseille University</i>	Dans les coulisses des procès de comparutions immédiates : Ouvrir le terrain pour accéder au matériau judiciaire et à son interprétation par les professionnel·le·s.	Mattéo Giouse (Université Lumière Lyon 2)
		Accéder aux documents pénitentiaires dans un contexte de tensions politiques au Niger	Carole Berrih (Université Grenoble Alpes / Sciences Po Grenoble)
		Etudier les procès et condamnations de militants thaïlandais engagés pour une réforme de la monarchie : réflexions éthiques et méthodologiques	Antoine Durance (Sciences Po Bordeaux)
		Travailler sur une « matière sensible » : justice anti-terroriste et pratiques du sociologue	Janna Behel (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne)
P17 / A-122	Naviguer les défis de la recherche socio-juridique sur des terrains difficiles II: Questionnements méthodologiques, analytiques et épistémologiques <i>Discussant: Alexis Blouët, Aix-Marseille University</i>	Le juge de l'asile est-il un ethnologue ?	Sonny Perseil (Conservatoire national des arts et métiers)
		Challenges of 'Studying Up' in Ethnographic Research on International Investment Arbitration: Navigating Confidentiality, Privacy and Official Discourses	Paule Pastré et Matthieu Bolay (University of Bern)
		Etudier les procès et condamnations de militants thaïlandais engagés pour une réforme de la monarchie : réflexions éthiques et méthodologiques	Antoine Durance (Sciences Po Bordeaux)
		Hybrid regulation? Promises and pitfalls of the concept of hybridization in research on law and justice	Géraldine Bugnon (University of Fribourg)
		Translations of social & legal rules in an open normative order. A case study of the travels of juvenile justice & child protection regulations between Belgium & the Congo (1908 – 2009)	Karl Hanson (University of Geneva)

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P18 / A-122	Institutional Archives and Counter-Archives of the Transnational I & II: Perspectives from the anthropology of law & socio-legal studies	Faint Voices in the Archives of the International Committee of the Red Cross: Global South Actors and the Historical Making of International Humanitarian Norms	Monique Beerli (University of Geneva)
		Ethnographic forays in the ICRC archives	Julie Billaud (Geneva Graduate Institute)
P19 / A-122		Navigating Institutional Practices and Archival Disparity: Investigating the Girl-s (Child) Category in United Nations Archives (1989 -)	Özlem Lakatos (University of Geneva)
		Fragile Archives: practices of activist evidence-making from Calais to the Naqab	Maya Avis (Geneva Graduate Institute), Nataliya Tchermalykh (University of Geneva)
		The constitution of a diplomatic counter-archive: Legal and diplomatic dimensions of the use of Wikileaks in research	Grégoire Mallard (Geneva Graduate Institute)
P20 / A-122	New approaches in socio-legal research on environmental law and litigation	Anger and Hope in Youth Climate Litigation	Anne Saab (IHEID)
		African approaches to Environmental sustainability: towards criminalizing environmental destruction in Nigeria	Ekeke, Alex Cyril (University of Fort Hare)
		From systemic climate change litigation to systemic biodiversity litigation	Rebecca Fenn (Tilburg University)
		The Digital Gaia: How AI Could Redefine Earth's Legal Identity in the Anthropocene – Challenges and Strategies	Murtaza Mohiqi (University of Agder)
P21 / A-122	Conducting law and society research in Switzerland I: epistemologies, methods, approaches, and contributions	Doing empirical socio-legal research in Switzerland: reflections on the role of relations, positionality, and smallness for getting access to the field	Christin Achermann (University of Neuchâtel)
		Back to the future: socio-legal disciplinary histories, scholarly self-reflection, and the way forward in socio-legal research	Christian Boulanger (MPI Frankfurt)
		(Micro)Economics and (Swiss) Law: a Paretian analysis	Giuliano Bianchi (EHL Hospitality Business School)
P22 / A-122	Conducting law and society research in Switzerland II: epistemologies, methods, approaches, and contributions	Working backwards, from pain to power: what the pains of counterterrorism can tell us about Swiss criminal and administrative law in action	Ahmed Ajil (University of Lucerne)
		Judicial statistics in a comparative perspective: a quantitative analysis of divorce files from 1960 to 2020	Fiona Friedli (U Lausanne), Aurore Müller (U Lausanne), Anne-Françoise Praz (U Fribourg), Marta Roca i Escoda (U Lausanne)
		Challenging State Legitimacy: State Deniers in Liberal Democracy	Stefan Manser-Egli (U Fribourg & U Amsterdam)
		Studying law and society in Switzerland: a sociological approach of law in action	Jonathan Miaz (University of Lausanne)
P23 / A-122	Gaps, Overlaps and Paradoxes between Laws and Realities of Child-Parents Relations	Perceptions of Stepfamilies: Legal Ambiguities and Societal Attitudes in Contemporary Family Structures	Julia Sauter (University of Kassel) & Laura Bernardi (University of Lausanne)
		Private Autonomy, filiation ad parental responsibility	Cristina González Beilfuss (University of Barcelona)
		Re(lational)-thinking of filiation law	Fiona Behle (University of Zürich)
		The best interests of the child between legal paradigms and societal evolution	Ilaria Pretelli (European Law Institute)
P24 / A-126	What's Law got to do with it? Seeking Justice in Social and Political Transformations – Recent Anthropological Perspectives	This roundtable will engage with the following recent works: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Margaria, Alice & Larissa Veters (eds.) (2024): <i>Leading Works in Law and Anthropology</i> (Routledge) ➤ Goodale, Mark & Olaf Zenker (eds.) (2025): <i>Reckoning with Law in Excess: Mobilization, Confrontation, Refusal</i>. Cambridge (Cambridge University Press) ➤ Santer, Kiri (forthcoming): <i>Bordering Responsibility – Evading accountability through law and the externalization of migration control in Europe</i> (provisional title, Duke University Press) ➤ Zenker, Olaf & Anna-Lena Wolf (eds.) (2024): Justice in the Anthropocene. Special Issue, <i>Zeitschrift für Ethnologie Journal of Social and Cultural Anthropology</i> 149(2) 	Alice Margaria (University of Zurich) Kiri Santer (University of Bern) Larissa Veters (MPI Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale) Anna-Lena Wolf (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg) Olaf Zenker (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)

