



16th Annual Legal Research Network Conference

Resilience

24 - 25 September 2024

CALL FOR PAPERS

Invitation

The Faculties of Law of the Universities of Bristol, Budapest (ELTE), Ghent, Göttingen, Groningen, Krakow, Lille, Roma Tre, Turku and Uppsala cordially invite researchers to the 16th annual Legal Research Network Conference on the 24th and 25th of September 2024. The conference will be hosted by the Faculty of Law of the University of Uppsala (Sweden).

Aim of the Legal Research Network Conference

The LRN conference aims at creating a stimulating research environment and a common space for senior and junior scholars to present and discuss international oriented legal research. The conference provides for the opportunity for especially PhD students and early career academics to present their research and discuss their ideas with academics from the different Universities of the Legal Research Network. The conference language is English. The conference will be organized in-person.

2024 Conference Theme

Resilience

The theme of the 2024 LRN Conference is *Resilience*. In times of turbulence, wars, climate change and economic challenges, society and the legal system are put to the test. A general definition for resilience in a legal context could be:

The ability of a legal framework or mechanism to continue filling its main function also under exceptional pressure or disrupting events, or return to a state where it can fulfill its function after such events. It can also be the ability of the law to support or enable this ability in another kind of system (social, economic, socio-economic, ecological, etc).

Issues relating to resilience can be found in many areas of law, for example:

- *Environmental law:*

The ability of a legal framework to support the return of an ecosystem or a socioecological system to its previous state after a severely disrupting event, such as severe pollution, or to maintain certain functions, such as generation of some ecosystem services despite fundamental changes in relevant systems due to e.g. climate change.

- *Constitutional Law:*

The ability of constitutional systems to preserve their core values, such as the rule of law and democracy, under exceptional circumstances. Constitutional responses to challenging times could be institutional structures, organization of powers, mechanisms of control and accountability.

- *Financial Markets Law:*

Financial stability, even in times of economic downturn or crises, is a precondition for market functions such as payment systems, banking services and the free flow of capital. The legal frameworks in this area must address the need for a resilience in financial firms to manage unpredicted market events and to achieve sound risk cultures within firms.

Resilience is a broad theme and the call for papers (below) should be understood broadly.

Submission and deadlines

We welcome contributions in all legal areas where the theme of *Resilience* may be applied. The three key notes (see preliminary programme, below) may provide examples of ample areas and titles. We especially encourage doctoral and early career researchers to participate! Of course, you are most welcome to participate in the conference without submitting a paper.

Submission paper (abstract)	1 June 2024	Short proposal, max one A4, should be submitted to lrm-jur@uu.se .
Notification accepted papers	28 June 2024	
Submission paper/ extended abstract	1 September 2024	The paper should consist of a minimum of 5 pages.

Panels

The conference consists of in-person seminars. Depending on the number of contributions, panels may run in parallel.

Costs and venue

Participation is free of charge. Lunches, coffee and dinner are included without costs for all conference participants. Travel and accommodation costs are however not covered.

The conference takes place in the University Main Building (Universitetshuset). Biskopsgatan 3, Uppsala. Room X (Sal X).

Contact

For any further questions regarding this invitation, please email the planning board, consisting of David Langlet, Giulia Meo, Rebecca Söderström and Olof Wilske: lrm-jur@uu.se.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

The LRN Administrative Meeting will take place on Tuesday 24 September, 16:00-17:00.

DAY 1 - Tuesday 24 September	
9:00	Registration
10:00	Welcome
10:30	Rights and the Resilience of Nature Keynote by <i>Yaffa Epstein</i> Associate Professor of Environmental Law, Uppsala University
11:30	Resilient Constitutions Keynote by <i>Simone Benvenuti</i> Associate Professor of Public Comparative Law, Roma Tre University
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Session 1 Presentations
14:30	Coffee
15:00	Session 2 Presentations
19:00	Conference dinner

DAY 2 - Wednesday 25 September	
10:00	Financial Legal System Resilience: Of What, to What, and for What? Keynote by <i>Daniel Stattin</i> Professor of Company Law, Uppsala University
11:00	Session 3 Presentations
12:00	Lunch
13:00	Session 4 Presentations
14:00	Short sum up
14:30	End