New Publications

Dr Samia Bano
‘In the Name of God?’ in (eds) Munro, V and M Davies, The Ashgate Research Companion to Feminist Legal Theory Ashgate (November 2013) pp. 157-177

Dr. Gunnar Beck


Professor Philippe Cullet


Professor Werner Menski


Dr Emilia Onyema

Dr. Lutz Oette
Co-author with Ilias Bantekas: International Human Rights Law and Practice (Cambridge: CUP), 2013

Dr Carol Tan

‘On Law and Orientalism’, Journal of Comparative Law, 7:2, 5-17

‘A Passion Ingrained' in the Chinese: Orientalist Tropes and the Prohibition of Gambling', Journal of Comparative Law, 7:2, 60-77

special guest edited part: ‘Law and Orientalism’, Journal of Comparative Law 7:2, pp 1-137

Jean-Philippe Dequen (PhD student)

Grants, Prizes, Honours

Dr. Gunnar Beck
On 28 January 2013 Dr. Beck delivered the CESifo annual law lecture at the Ifo Institut in Munich, entitled 'Recht als Fortführung der
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Politik mit anderen Mitteln - the unlawful euro rescue with particular reference to the ESM and the ECB’s bond buying programme.

In February 2013 Dr. Beck was appointed to the academic advisory and author’s panel of the ECRE (European Council for Refugee and Exiles), European Legal Network on Asylum (ELENA), Dutch Council of Refugees funded research project entitled ‘Promoting the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights within the legal networks active in the field of asylum and migration in Europe (FRAME).’ Dr Beck’s involvement as an academic advisor and author is ongoing.

In October 2013 Dr. Beck’s monograph The Legal Reasoning of the Court of Justice of the EU was shortlisted for the bi-annual CES Prize for the best book on European Studies awarded by the Council For European Studies at Columbia University.

Professor Philippe Cullet


Dr Carol Tan
was awarded a short-term BMBF-Freiburg University Fellowship – October 2013.

Professor Lynn Welchman
Professor Lynn Welchman is a named investigator in a grant won by Dr Ruba Salih (Principal Investigator, SOAS Centre for Gender Studies) as part of a multi-partner project including partners in Europe and the Middle East/North Africa to be funded by the European Commission under the title ‘Freedom, Dignity and Justice: the dynamics of youth exclusion and opportunities for youth inclusion in the South and East Mediterranean’ (short title POWER2YOUTH), commencing spring 2014.

Research-related Activities
(including Knowledge Transfer and Academic Leadership)

Dr Samia Bano

Dr Gunnar Beck
In October 2013 Dr. Beck was appointed as an expert witness to the House of Commons All Party Parliamentary Group on European Reform. On 16 October 2013 Dr. Beck delivered a paper entitled ‘How to involve national parliaments in EU law making – beware of what you desire!’ as part of the Parliamentary Inquiry into the role of national parliaments in the EU law-making process.

On 8th August 2013 Dr Beck delivered a paper entitled ‘The Rule of Law as a Fair-weather Phenomenon - the German Constitutional Court’s Approach to the Euro Crisis’ at the Joseph Hotung Programme on Peacebuilding-funded Joint SOAS/Doughty Street Chambers Conference ‘Though The Heavens May Fall, Let Justice Be Done’ – Protecting Democracy, Fundamental Rights and Freedoms’.

In the autumn of 2013 Dr. Beck delivered seminar research papers entitled ‘The illegality of the European Stability Mechanism and European Central Bank’s OMT programme under EU and German Constitutional Law’ and ‘The Legal Reasoning of the Court of Justice of the EU’ at law school staff research seminars of the University of Limerick, Ireland (3rd
September) and City University Law School (20 November).

Dr. Beck further published several research-based international press articles and commentaries on judicial reasoning, EU law politics and the euro crisis. Recent relevant articles include the following:

‘Merkel will win - because my fellow Germans dare not speak of national self-interest’, The Spectator (21 September 2013); ‘Über den Ausverkauf der deutschen Interessen – Merkels Eurorettungspolitik’, Handelsblatt (20 September 2013); ‘Die Eurorettung - Eine rechtsstaatliche Tragödie’, Handelsblatt (13 June 2013; ‘Das Ende unserer Verfassungsordnung’ (Interview with Moritz Schwarz), Junge Freiheit (21 Juni 2013); ‘Richter in höchster Entscheidungsnot’, Handelsblatt (10 June 2013); ‘Die Eurozone ist wie Wilder Westen für die EZB’, Handelsblatt (15 April 2013), Germany is not profiting from the eurozone’, The Guardian (7 January 2013).

Dr. Beck also served as an occasional review editor for Oxford University Press and the Common Market Law Review.

Dr Kate Grady
During 2013 Dr. Grady consulted to the Law Commission on reforming certain aspects of the criminal law. She was further appointed to the Policy Advisory Group of the United Nations Association of the UK (UNA-UK).

Dr M F Makeen
In 2013 Dr. Makeen delivered several research papers which include:
May 20-21, Moscow, National State University-Higher School of Economics. Conference: Copyright Law in the Digital Era, paper presented ‘Copyright + New Technology = Access Right?’

June 20, London, Centre of European Law, King’s College. Conference: Creativity, Innovation and Competition, paper presented

‘New Technologies and the EU Communication to the Public Right

Dr. Lutz Oette
In 2013 Dr. Oette delivered the following research papers:

27 June 2013  
RCT and Restart Centre, Beirut, Key note presentation on
'The right to rehabilitation for torture'

8 August 2013
SOAS Hotung Project and Doughty Street Chambers: Though The Heavens May Fall, Let Justice Be Done?, Panellist, speaking on 'Judicial responses to torture in the counter-terrorism context'

23 September 2013,
Open Society Initiative for Southern Africa, SOAS, Centre for African Studies, Gaborone, Botswana, Course lecture on 'The Use of Legal Instruments and Policies as Tools to Combat Marginalisation, Social Exclusion and Inequalities'

24 October 2013,
University of San Francisco, Public Lecture, ‘The International Prohibition of Torture: Law, practice and agendas for change’

13 November 2013,
University of Leeds, Centre for African Studies, LUCAS seminar
'Human rights in Sudan: Transition, separation and challenges ahead'

Dr Emilia Onyema
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**Dr Yoriko Otomo**

Convened an international conference on the theme ‘Dogs, Pigs and Children: Changing Laws in Colonial Britain’ on the 12th and 13th September 2013 under the aegis of the Centre for Colonialism, Empire and International Law.

**Dr Carol Tan**

Delivered the following research papers:

- November, 2013 ‘When Indonesian domestic workers sue: turning points and triggers in the journey from employment to the law’, SEARC, City University of Hong Kong
- October, 2013 ‘When Filipina and Indonesian Domestic Workers Sue their Employers’, University of Freiburg, BMBF Project Southeast Asia
- September, 2013 ‘Rabid Dogs and Curdled Milk’, Workshop on Dogs, Pigs and Children: Changing Laws in Colonial Britain, Centre for the Study of Colonialism, Empire and International Law, SOAS

**Professor Lynn Welchman**

- Panel Commentator at the Shari’a Project Workshop held at the Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies, University of Exeter, 18-19 April 2013, by the UK-Netherlands Islamic Legal Studies Network.
- Panellist at the meeting on ‘Developing Practice-led Research to meet Contemporary Challenges’ convened by the SoL’s Centre for Human Rights Law (director Lutz Oette) with the Human Rights Consortium at the School of Advanced Study on 3 June.
- Presented on the panels ‘Human Rights and Social Change’ and ‘Collaborative Research’, in the latter discussing the work of the SoL’s International Human Rights Clinic.
- Keynote speaker (along with Ziba Mir-Hosseini and Prakash Shah) at a conference entitled ‘Islamic family law in modern Europe and the Muslim world: normative, legal and empirical approaches beyond the women’s rights issue’ held at the University of Nijmegen (Netherlands: Centre for Migration Law and School of Law) 19-21 June.
- Speaker at the meeting on ‘Muslim women’s challenges in the Middle East and Beyond’ convened at the University of Oslo by the Norwegian Human Rights Centre, 25-26 October. Presented on ‘Qiwama and Wilaya as legal postulates in Muslim family laws’.
- Speaker at Oxford University’s Centre for Social and Legal Studies’ seminar series, ‘Male Authority in Muslim Family Laws: Middle Eastern Arguments’, 25 November

**Dr Sanzhu Zhu**

- Member of steering and advisory committee, 3rd East Asian Law & Society Conference, 22-23 March, 2013, Shanghai
- Member of the Advisory Board of law firm Linklaters’ Law & Business School, 2013.

In addition Dr Zhu has acted as a manuscript reviewer for OUP.

**David McIlroy (Visiting Senior Lecturer)**

Delivered the following research papers:

- 28-29 September 2013, KLICE, Cambridge, Co-organiser of conference on ‘Commercial Law and Commercial Ethics’, and presented paper on ‘Laws as Incentives to Good Business Practices’ and facilitated session on ‘Case Studies of Madoff, Stanford, Northern Rock, and LIBOR manipulation’
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17 October 2013, The Round Church, Cambridge, ‘Human Rights: Problem or Solution?’


Ms. Janan Al-Asady (PhD student)
Speaker at a conference on “Natural Resources Grabbing: Erosion or Legitimate Exercise of State Sovereignty?” University of Cagliari, October 2013.

Participant at invitation-only conference “Managing oil for all”, National Oil Company of Liberia, LSE, 17 June 2013

Participant at an invitation-only workshop on the political economy of energy security, Centre for the Politics of Energy Security, SOAS, 14 June 2013

Interviewee on Islam Channel, The World This Week, “Can Iraq survive as a unified country?” 23 May 2013

“Iraq, the potential country”, Open Democracy, 10 May 2013
http://www.opendemocracy.net/janan-al-asady/iraq-potential-country

Speaker at an invitation-only conference on the future of Iraq in Istanbul in February 2013 organised by the Hollings Centre.

Ms. Elizabeth Stubbins Bates (2nd year PhD student)
Delivered the following research papers:


Mimi Ajibadé (PhD student)


10 August, 2013, co-organised and raised funds for ‘SOAS Centre for East Asian law and the Commercial Law Society of China Roundtable Discussion on International and Comparative Perspectives on Company and Commercial Law’, SOAS,

Research Centre Activities

Centre for Ethnic Minority Studies (CEMS)
1-18 July 2013, Professor Werner Menski and Sham Qayyum delivered the first SOAS Summer School course on Law, Multiculturalism and Intercultural Human Rights.

1-4 August 2013, Professor Menski acted as an instructor on the International Course on Legal Pluralism, offered by the Commission on Legal Pluralism in Manchester.
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15-16 November 2013, three CEMS members took part in the second intensive two-day Doctoral Symposium on 'Multiculturalism and Law', co-organised by CEMS with the Department of Comparative Law at the University of Luzern in Switzerland, with participants from SOAS, Luzerne, Leiden, Amsterdam, Napoli, Mumbai, Canada and the United States.

Law, Environment and Development Centre (LEDCC)


2013-2014 - Seventh Public Evening Seminar Series, October-December events:


4 December 2013, Litigating for… Bhopal: Screening Bhopali and Discussion with Tim Edwards (International Campaign for Justice in Bhopal)

Centre for Human Rights Law
3 June 2013 (with Human Rights Consortium)
'Human Rights Forum: Developing Practice-led Research to Meet Contemporary Challenges'

1 August 2013 (with REDRESS): 'The struggle for human rights in South Asia: Perspectives from India, Nepal and Sri Lanka' - A panel discussion with: Bijo Francis, Executive Director of the Asian Legal Resources Centre (ALRC)'

Hari Tripathi, Executive Director of Advocacy Forum Nepal, Basil Fernando, Director for Policy and Programme Development (ALRC) and Ingrid Massage, Human Rights Consultant

2 August 2013 (with REDRESS): Seminar on 'Global Perspectives on Justice for Torture: Experiences, Challenges and Strategies'

21 November 2013 (Centre for Human Rights Law jointly with CCRJ): Professor Mashood Baderin delivered a paper entitled 'The UN Human Rights Mandate in the Sudan: The Challenge of a Country under Pressure and the Experience of the UN Independent Expert for the Sudan'

SOAS Centre for Human Rights Law and Human Rights Consortium
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CEAL
Mimi Ajibadé organised the 2013/14 CEAL Early Researchers Seminar Series:
http://www.soas.ac.uk/ceal/events/

SOAS Research Seminars

Commercial Law
In addition to the established School of Law staff research seminar, Dr. Onyema and Mr Nick Foster started a new workshop for colleagues and students to share ideas on commercial law. Two workshops are envisaged for each academic year. The workshop for term 1 was held on Friday 6 December 2013 in the Khalili Lecture Theatre.

20 January 2014