



CALL for PAPERS

Hybrid IACL Round Table in Copenhagen, Denmark:

The Impact of Digitalization on Constitutional Law

31 January to 1 February 2022

Organized by the International Association of Constitutional Law (IACL), the Centre for European and Comparative Legal Studies (CECS), University of Copenhagen, and the Nordic network CONNOR 2030.

Contemporary challenges to constitutionalism in the Nordics

In collaboration with the University of Helsinki and the University of Lund

Venue: University of Copenhagen, Nørregade 10, Committee Room 3, 3rd floor, 1165 Copenhagen K, Denmark (and online).

Roundtable Subject Matter

We live in the era of digitalization and this has an immense impact on Constitutional Law. Fundamental principles such as rule of law, legal certainty, and democracy are challenged. New rights such as the 'right to be forgotten' and data protection appear. The institutions, their competences and separation of powers are affected by these developments. The preconditions of Constitutional Law and the context in which it functions are changing. Furthermore, digitalization prompts new research methods.

This Round Table will shed light on how digitalization impacts different parts of the constitutional system and research methods in Constitutional Law. The Round Table is structured around a keynote speech, five main panels, and a young scholars' panel:

1. Keynote speech
2. Panel 1: How does digitalization affect research methods in Constitutional Law?
3. Panel 2: The impact of digitalization on elections and referendums
4. Panel 3: The impact of digitalization on the legislator, the executive and the courts
5. Panel 4: The impact of digitalization on rights
6. Panel 5: Visions for the future: Reflections on how to regulate cyberspace and AI in the future – short interventions on our digital future
7. Panel 6: Young scholars' panel

Preferential Topics to be Addressed

The Call for Papers regards Panel 1-4 and Panel 6. Within the frame of the roundtable subject-matter, we therefore welcome proposals addressing “How does digitalization affect research methods in Constitutional Law?”, “The impact of digitalization on elections and referendums”, “The impact of digitalization on the legislator, the executive and the courts” and “The impact of digitalization on rights.”

Eligibility

The conveners encourage submissions from both senior scholars, younger scholars and PhD students. Submissions from scholars of any area of constitutional law are welcome.

Cost, Travels and Lodging

There is no cost to participate in the conference. Paper presenters bear their own travel and accommodation expenses. The conference is hybrid and paper presenters can choose to participate online.

How to Submit a Paper:

If you would like to present a paper on one of the panels of the IACL Round Table, please, send an abstract to Professor Helle Krunke: Helle.Krunke@jur.ku.dk by no later than 1 November 2021.

We will then select the best and most relevant abstracts and invite the authors to submit a full paper and present it at the IACL Round Table. Papers may be presented at the venue of the Round Table or online since it is a hybrid event. Papers can be written and presented in English or French. Younger scholars are scholars who finished their PhD no more than seven years ago.