



Legal History Highlights

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The newsletter from the department "[Historical Regimes of Normativity](#)" at the Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory highlights what we are doing every month.

Project of the Month



Translating China

China's rise as a global player has contributed to a significant shift in the global (legal) order, making authentic knowledge on China essential not only for geopolitics but also for scientific collaboration. In this context, the cooperation project "[China – Norms, Ideas, Practices](#)" aims to voice previously unknown Chinese intellectuals working at the intersection of history, law, and society. Selected monographs are translated into German to make the intellectual richness of Chinese self-understanding and tradition of self-interpretation accessible to a German-speaking public.

On 18th September 2024, the third edition of the project, Liang Zhiping's monograph "梁治平: 梁治平", will be

published under the title "Rechtsherrschaft und Tugendherrschaft. Beobachtungen zur chinesischen Rechtsmodernisierung" (open access available [here](#)). Therein, the author offers a nuanced understanding of China's legal tradition with a view to its historically developed legal culture. It also identifies (Chinese) rule of law and virtue as important elements of party ideology and the corresponding jurisprudential opinions thereof.

Sandra Michelle Röseler

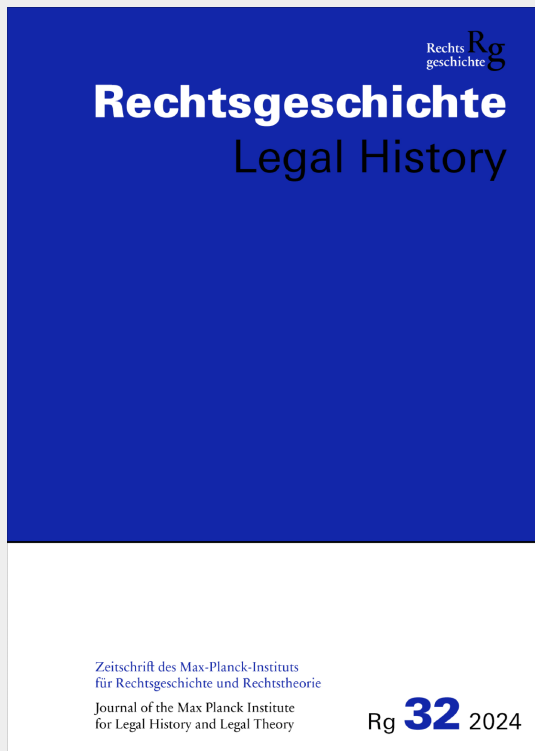
Publications of the Month

Máximo Sozzo, Jorge Núñez (eds.)

Los viajes de las ideas sobre la cuestión criminal hacia/desde Argentina: Traducción, lucha e innovación (1880–1955)

Con esta obra colectiva se presenta un recorrido amplio y ambicioso sobre los vocabularios acerca de la cuestión criminal construidos en Argentina. Entre los años 1880 y 1950 se identifican y exploran diversas matrices discursivas en viajes que atraviesan sus fronteras de Norte-Sur, Sur-Norte y Sur-Sur.

Desde esta perspectiva, el libro busca convertirse en un impulso para futuras indagaciones que muestren dinámicas locales de producción y circulación de saberes penales. Sin perder de vista los momentos de lucha, adaptación, rechazo, transacción y creatividad de sus actores, se atiende a las condiciones y procesos que repercuten en la gestación y mantenimiento de la asimetría y la dependencia en relación a escenarios europeos.



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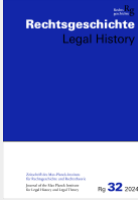
The latest issue of the institute's journal *Rechtsgeschichte – Legal History (Rg)*, once again brings together excellent research contributions and strong reviews on legal history topics also relevant to the research in our department.

It is now available in print through the publisher [Vittorio Klostermann](#), as well as online via Open Access.

More Publications

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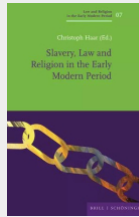
Tradition and Innovation in Knowledge Production: Gregorio López' Commentary on the Siete Partidas (1555), *Rechtsgeschichte – Legal History* Rg 32 (2024), 81-106



¿Qué fue el derecho canónico en Hispanoamérica y Filipinas (s. XVI-XVIII)? (DCH), *Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory Research Paper Series* No. 2024-08, 1-63

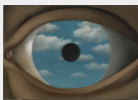


Samuel Barbosa, Osvaldo Barreneche, Tilmann Heil (eds.)
Pluralismo jurídico, multinormatividad y convivialidad. Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires: CLACSO; San Pablo: Mecila, 2024

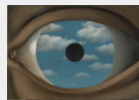


Rômulo Ehalt
Slavery in Captivity: Location, Colonial Slavery and Early Modern Japan, in: Christoph Haar (ed.), *Slavery, Law and Religion in the Early Modern World*, Paderborn: Brill | Schöningh, 2024, 13-35

With contributions by **Thomas Duve, Armando Guevara Gil, and Raquel R. Sirotti**



Karla L. Escobar Hernández
Del investigador solitario y otras ficciones / I, *legalhistoryinsights.com*, 15.08.2024



Karla L. Escobar Hernández
Del investigador solitario y otras ficciones / II, *legalhistoryinsights.com*, 20.08.2024



Event of the Month

Conference: Founders and Shapers of Labour Law. National and Transnational Perspectives

Around twenty speakers from Australia to Argentina presented "Founders and Shapers of Labour Law" at the [Labour Law History from a Global Perspective](#) conference on September 3 - 4 at the mpilht. Use of the biographical approach to discuss connections and entanglements between individuals and institutions on a global level was highly successful. The comparison showed that many of the pioneers suffered from their emigration, even persecution, and were outsiders in their educational biographies as well as sought to improve the situation of the working class through labour law. The conference programme also included an excursion to the stumbling stones (Stolpersteine) of the German labour lawyer Hugo Sinzheimer as well as to the Academy of Labour, which Sinzheimer co-founded in the 1920s to provide legal training for trade unionists. A publication has been planned which will compile the contributions together and will be edited by Rebecca Zahn (Strathclyde University) and Johanna Wolf (mpilht).

Johanna Wolf

More Department Events

Karla L. Escobar (mpilhlt) y Jimena Perry (Federación Internacional de Historia Pública), [Historias para pensar el presente: una mirada de la coyuntura actual en Venezuela desde una perspectiva histórica.](#)

Invitado: Guillermo Ramos, Centre de Recherche et de Documentation sur les Amériques - CREDA, París-Francia, 16.09.2024, 17:00

Movie Time

Film Screening with Director Lara Jacoski: [Decolonizing Narratives: Ethnographic Filmmaking and the Huni Kuin Cultural Revival](#), Karolyne Mendes M. Moreira, Karla L. Escobar (orgs.), Turmcarrée, 24.09.2024, 17:00-19:00



Workshop

Egas Bender de Moniz Bandeira, Banu Turnaoğlu (org.), [Global Histories of Constitutionalism: Global Exchanges of Ideas and Entanglements, c. 1850s–1930s](#), Hansaallee Z01, 26.-27.09.2024

Seminar Methods of Legal History

Tobias Schenk, [Knowledge of the production of normativity at the Imperial Aulic Court. Theoretical foundations and empirical perspectives](#), Turmcarrée, 07.10.2024, 14:00-16:00



From our library

Nas duas primeiras semanas de setembro, a biblioteca do instituto acolheu uma pequena exposição de livros escritos pelos participantes da conferência [“Evidences of Truth: Francisco Rodrigues SJ \(c. 1515-1573\) and Normative Knowledge Production in Early Modern Asia”](#). A seleção de obras, que também contou com edições quinhentistas de algumas das obras de referência usadas pelo jesuíta, possibilitou à comunidade acadêmica se familiarizar com as diversas abordagens dos participantes do evento. As edições históricas que a biblioteca preserva, as quais o jesuíta português também se utilizou, compõem uma ampla

gama de autoridades eclesiásticas, várias sumas (silvestrina, angélica), as obras de Tomás de Aquino, o Manual de Confessores de Azpilcueta, a lei real e eclesiástica portuguesa e novas interpretações de questões morais pela Escola de Salamanca. O acesso a esta literatura normativa pragmática permitiu aos participantes perscrutar os desafios enfrentados por missionários e autoridades eclesiásticas na Ásia, bem como as

contradições e continuidades na produção de literatura normativa em comparação com as Américas.

Com doze apresentações, os participantes debateram temas centrais como contratos, matrimônios e usura tal como descritos e analisados pelo padre Francisco Rodrigues, um dos mais influentes casuístas da Companhia de Jesus na Ásia entre 1556 e 1573. Esperamos ainda continuar promovendo exposições como esta organizadas em paralelo a eventos do instituto para assim melhor explorarmos as ricas coleções da biblioteca.

Rômulo Ehalt

Last but not least



Custom in Global Legal History

This new series, organized by Haochen Ku, focuses on the concept of "custom" in a global perspective. The first event looked at "[Law and Custom in Japanese Legal History](#)". Further sessions will follow.



Gender Studies Legal Research Workshop

This new workshop, organized by Vanessa Massuchetto and Julie Rocheton, offers the opportunity to discuss research on topics such as gender equality, feminist legal theory, and the legal dimensions of LGBTQIA+ rights. The first session was held on 11 September, subsequent meetings will take place once a month.



44. Rechtshistorikertag 16.-20.09.2024

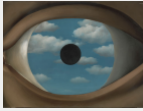
„Die Sprache der Quellen“ lautet das Motto der diesjährigen [Konferenz](#). Im Mittelpunkt stehen der sprachliche und mediale Aspekt der rechtshistorischen Quellenarbeit. Neben Hauptvorträgen, Sektionen und einer Podiumsdiskussion finden am 18.09.2024 (11:00-12:30 Uhr) auch Projektpräsentationen in den Räumen des mpilht statt.



Mariana Dias Paes has accepted a tenured professorship

Mariana Dias Paes, the former head of the Max Planck Research Group "[Global Legal History on the Ground](#)", has accepted a new position as an Assistant Professor of Law and Society at [The American University of Paris](#), starting in August.

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