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# Research Bulletin

Upcoming events, latest publications and other research activities

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## Upcoming Research Events (CET, online)

### 12 Monday

INT. ECON. BBL  
**With Maria  
Kamran**  
12:15

GGC COLLOQUIUM  
**Le tournant social  
de l'international:  
les organisations  
internationales  
face aux sociétés  
civiles**  
12:30–14:00

GTDW SEMINAR  
**When Tariffs  
Disrupt Global  
Supply Chains**  
16:00–17:15

P. DU BOIS LECTURE  
**Disclosing The  
Problem of Empire  
in the  
International  
Thought of W.E.B.  
Du Bois**  
16:00–17:30

GENDER CENTRE  
**Decolonising  
Pedagogies: Black  
Feminist  
Reflections on  
Gender, Race,  
Faith and Seeking  
Solidarity in the  
Academy**  
18:30–20:00

### 13 Tuesday

CIES SEMINAR  
**The Search for the  
Good Dam: the  
World Commission  
on Dams and Its  
Legacy**  
11:00–12:00

PARETO SEMINAR  
**Financial Stability  
Policies and Bank  
Lending: Quasi-  
experimental  
Evidence from  
Federal Reserve  
Interventions in  
1920–21**  
14:15–15:45

ANSO SEMINAR  
**Demanding  
Comparisons:  
Interrogating  
Migration and the  
“Good Life” in  
Spain, Ecuador,  
and Cuba**  
16:15–18:00

IHPF  
**The Politics of  
Rural Domesticity  
in Segregationist  
South Africa**  
16:15–18:00

### 14 Wednesday

AHCD BOOK LAUNCH  
**Indonesia in “3D”:  
Development,  
Dictatorship and  
Democracy**  
12:30–14:00

#G2TRADEHACK  
**How to Make the  
WTO Fit for Future  
Trade**  
15:00–20:00

CFD SEMINAR  
**Hollowing out the  
State: Franchise  
Expansion and  
Fiscal Capacity in  
Colonial India**  
17:00–18:00

IL COLLOQUIUM  
**Why Should We  
Care about  
International  
Law?**  
18:15–20:00

### 15 Thursday

GENDER SEMINAR  
**Collaborationist  
Collages:  
Methodological  
Reflections  
Inspired by  
Feminist  
Materialism**  
12:30–13:45

2030 DFS  
**Sports,  
Technology and  
Innovation**  
15:00–16:00

AHCD  
**A New Economic  
Model for Cuba?**  
17:30–18:45

### 16 Friday

WOMEN IN ECON.  
**Own Your Show**  
09:00–10:30

### 19 Monday

INT. ECON. BBL  
**With Minu  
Nowzohour**  
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### 20 Tuesday

PARETO SEMINAR  
**With Abhishek  
Chakravarty**  
14:15–15:45

ANSO SEMINAR  
**Teawords:  
Experiments with**

### 21 Wednesday

IL COLLOQUIUM  
**The Legitimacy of  
International  
Courts: The  
Challenge of  
Diversity**  
12:15–14:00

### 22 Thursday

GENDER SEMINAR  
**Hatred,  
Compassion, and  
Love: Productions  
of Political  
Communities and  
Bodies through  
the Affective**

### 23 Friday

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**Quality in Indian  
Tea Production**  
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CFD SEMINAR  
**The Real Effects of  
Bank Runs:  
Evidence from the  
French Great  
Depression**  
17:00–18:00

**Politics around  
ISIS Visuals of  
Queer Executions**  
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IHP SEMINAR  
**Reconfiguring  
“Repatriation” in  
Global Migration  
Studies: The Case  
of Burmese-  
Indians in West  
Bengal**  
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GHC  
**Global Health in  
Disarray: What  
Next?**  
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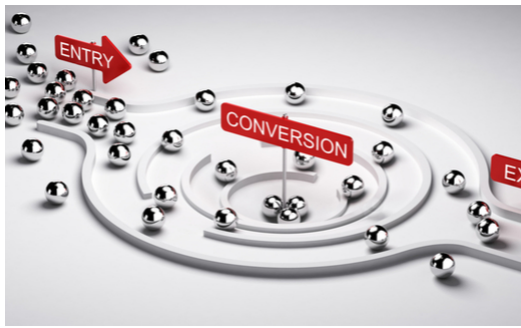


### Trade and Economic Integration

ARTICLE

#### **Preempting the Entry of Near Perfect Substitutes**

When firms compete on price and quality-enhancing promotion in a market for differentiated products, entry of a nearly



perfect substitute to one of such products intensifies price competition but softens quality competition. Vilen Lipatov, **Damien Neven** and Georges Siotis show that consumers are likely to gain from entry when quality is relatively unimportant for them, when business stealing generated by promotion is substantial, and when products are poor substitutes (in *Journal of*

*Competition Law & Economics*, vol. 17, no. 1, March 2021). Entry may be more attractive for consumers in less concentrated markets, as a smaller number of firms and asymmetric market shares may be associated with higher quality.

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#### ARTICLE

### **Dominance and Market Definition in the Pharmaceutical Industry Following the ECJ Paroxetine Judgment**

This article discusses alternative ways in which unilateral conduct to foreclose the entry of generics can be framed (in *Journal of European Competition Law & Practice*, vol. 11, no. 3-4, March-April 2020). **Damien Neven** and Georges Siotis argue that defining dominance in relation to the actual competitive constraints faced by the originators at the time of the abuse is likely to lead to under-enforcement. The suggestion by the Competition Appeal Tribunal, supported by the European Court of Justice, to consider the competitive constraint exercised by the generics when entry is imminent does not help in addressing this under-enforcement. By contrast, an assessment of competitive constraints that is contingent on the abuse does not suffer from this shortcoming.

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#### WORKING PAPER

### **Delegated Sales, Agency Costs and the Competitive Effects of List Price**

Enrique Andreu, **Damien Neven** and Salvatore Piccolo propose a simple agency framework in which, although competing producers always find it optimal to share information about their list (undiscounted) prices, consumers are not necessarily harmed by these agreements (CSEF Working Paper no. 475, Centre for Studies in Economics and Finance, July 2020). In particular, when sales are delegated to self-interested parties (such as salesmen or retailers), they find that expected discounts are higher with, than without, information sharing if, and only if, agency costs are sufficiently low. Therefore, agreements according to which firms disclose list prices to their competitors should be presumed neither as anti-competitive nor as pro-competitive.

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#### PHD THESIS

### **The Construction of International Investment Law within International Law Argumentation**

In his PhD thesis in International Law (2021), **Michal Jakub Swarabowicz** spells out the extent to which creative interpretation by investment-treaty arbitration draws on arguments and assumptions from past, often quite distant, historical contexts. Instead of focusing on changes in treaty drafting, he more fundamentally focuses on changes in thinking about the role international law rules play in protecting foreign business interests.

**Interview with Dr Swarabowicz >**



## Global Health



### ARTICLE

#### **Regional Integration, Health Policy and Global Health**

Reviews of relationships between regional integration and global and public health have so far been confined to specific organisations, geographic areas and thematic issues. In contrast, **Haik**

**Nikogosian**, Senior Fellow at the Global

Health Centre, demonstrates and systematises mechanisms by which regional integration organisations address various aspects of health services and population health (in *Global Policy*, vol. 11, no. 4, September 2020). He also explores how such mechanisms, and regional integration processes in general, contribute to international health cooperation and global health. He argues that the multidisciplinary landscape of regional integration amplifies opportunities for the multisectoral dimension of – and cross-sectoral coherence for – public health policy to manifest and function.

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## Development Finance, Policies and Practices



### PHD THESIS

#### **Economics of Social Ties, Migration and Development**

The effect of social ties is at the core of **Yanming Kan's** PhD thesis in Development Economics, which includes three chapters: "Observational Learning and Peer Effects in Restaurant Visits: Evidence from User-Generated Contents",

"Inter-Provincial Migration and Child Educational Expectations: Evidence from China" and "Life Trajectories of Chinese Civilian and Military Cadres" (March 2021).

**Interview with Dr Kan on his first two chapters >**

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## Gender



THREE EDITED BOOKS IN INDONESIAN

**Wening Udasmoro and Arifah**

**Rahmawati**, Research Affiliates at the Gender Centre, have coedited three books published by Universitas Gadjah Mada in 2021:

– **Wabah: Kumpulan Cerpen (Pandemic, Gender and Violence)**

This book explores the different spaces and

patterns of violence during the COVID-19 pandemic in Indonesia. Physical, virtual and symbolic violence occurs in personal and family spaces to communities, affects various groups of people, including elderly and children, and is highly gendered. It results in a web of complex matrices of power disparities and social categorisations.

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– **Kekerasan di masa pandemi (The Pandemic: A Collection of Short Stories)**

This anthology recognises that the spectre of the pandemic has haunted humanity. It is expected that life will continue to be transformed for years and this will fundamentally affect human experiences. Everyday routines have been turned on their head. The existing order has been challenged; for some, security feels like a distant dream, while others who were “nobodies” in the past have gained prominence and power. These changes, though driven by the situation, have wrought anxiety, anger and sorrow, and even drawn protests.

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– **Antara maskulinitas dan femininitas: perlawanan terhadap gender order (Masculinities and Femininities: A Challenge to Gender Order)**

The texts in this book offer critical perspectives and reflections of the students who followed the feminism class of the Master's Programme in Literature at the Faculty of Cultural Studies, Universitas Gadjah Mada. They explore how literary discourses have inspired them to discuss queer issues openly and frankly. The book thus becomes an arena to question the gender order and the normative religious discourses that stigmatise the LGBTQ community, as well as a means of expressing students' own views and beliefs.

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## Environment and Natural Resource



ARTICLE

**Digital Extraction: Blockchain Traceability in Mineral Supply Chain**

This article advances the notion of “digital extraction” to describe the collection, analysis, and instrumentalisation of digital data generated under the banner of blockchain-based due diligence, chain of custody certifications, and various

transparency mechanisms, situated alongside and in support of mineral extraction (in *Political Geography*, vol. 87, May 2021, 102381). Mobilising concepts from political geography and political ecology to describe the structuring effect of these digital





(International History, 2021). She demonstrates how Tel Aviv's meat industry was tied to the expansion and development of the city, allowing it to gain more land, revenue and autonomy. Increasing Jews' access to meat in Palestine was perhaps against experts' advice, but ultimately it served the national goal: the colonisation of Palestine.

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## Culture, Identity and Religion



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### **Butinage: The Art of Religious Mobility**

Based on comparative ethnographic research in predominantly Christian settings in Brazil, Kenya, Ghana, and Switzerland, this book explores the notion of "religious *butinage*" (French for nectar- and pollen-gathering), which refers metaphorically to the "to-ing and fro-ing"

of believers between religious institutions, as a conceptual framework intended to shed light on the dynamics of everyday religious practice. Yonatan N. Gez, **Yvan Droz**, Jeanne Rey and Edio Soares identify religious mobility as located at the meeting points between religious-institutional rules and narratives, social norms, and individual agency and practice (University of Toronto Press, April 2021, online March 2021).

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## Governance



EDITED BOOK CHAPTER

### **Energy Security in International Law**

In their contribution to *The Oxford Handbook of the International Law of Global Security*, Tibisay Morgandi and **Jorge Viñuales** look at existing challenges to energy security and the international legal frameworks that have been established in response (Robin Geiß and

Nils Melzer, eds., April 2021). The challenges include an exponential increase in world energy demand, shortages of national oil and gas deposits, the need to reduce dependence on fossil fuel production in order to counteract climate change, as well as risks of geopolitical instability. They then focus on the mechanisms aimed at ensuring that the flow of energy remains uninterrupted and at an affordable price, as

well as on the mechanisms aimed at increasing access to energy resources.

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#### THREE ARTICLES DRAWN FROM MASTER DISSERTATION

Can shipping containers tell us something about the history of global governance?

**Daniel R. Quiroga-Villamarín**, now **PhD Student** in International Law, argues this is the case in three articles drawn from his **MA dissertation**, winner of the 2020 Mariano Garcia Rubio prize:

##### **– Beyond Texts? Towards a Material Turn in the Theory and History of International Law**

In the first substantive chapter of his dissertation, Quiroga-Villamarín provides a historiographical critique of the field of international legal history (in *Journal of the History of International Law/Revue d'histoire du droit international*, online December 2020). He suggests that most of the work undertaken in the last two decades or so has adopted the methods of intellectual or conceptual history, to the detriment of other perspectives on the study of the history of international law. He concludes with a proposal for a more materialist-oriented history, which goes beyond the study of diplomats and doctrines to instead engage with the materiality of global ordering.

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##### **– Rituals of Truth: Mapping Intersections between International Legal History and the New Materialisms**

In the next chapter, Quiroga-Vilamarín provides a general overview of the many different ways in which international legal history could engage with the so-called “new materialisms” (in *International Politics Reviews*, vol. 8, no. 2, December 2020). He distinguishes from a variety of traditions that are often lumped together by lawyers (such as Actor-Network Theory or Posthumanist Feminisms) to help fellow disciplinary travelers to catch up with the debates that have been occurring in critical and social theory. He concedes outlining his own vision of materialist legal history, which draws and contributes to the literature that sits at the intersection between Science and Technology Studies (STS) and critical international legal scholarship.

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##### **– Normalising Global Commerce: Containerisation, Materiality, and Transnational Regulation (1956–68)**

Finally, in his last substantive chapter, Quiroga-Villamarín applies these theoretical and methodological insights to the study of the global standardisation of maritime shipping containers that occurred in, and beyond, the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in the late 1950s and early 1960s (in *London Review of International Law*, online March 2021). He argues that the processes of containerisation created transnational patterns of material normalisation which laid the groundwork for global patterns of production, consumption and distribution of goods that still continue to shape our contemporary structures of economic integration.

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#### ARTICLE

##### **A Commentary to Michael Laffan's JESHO Lecture**

In his commentary to Laffan's “The Forgotten Jihad under Japan: Muslim Reformism and the Promise of Indonesian Independence”, **Cyrus Schayegh** makes four points: (1) Laffan echoes calls for more decentralised understandings of pan-Islamism and pan-Asianism; (2) little time and adverse circumstances hampered a coherent Japanese Islam policy, certainly compared to other empires; (3) Laffan's attention to collaboration echoes scholars now seeing more than repression and resistance in Japanese-colonial relationships; (4) many in 1942–44 felt Indonesia could exist only



within a Japanese-led Greater Asian framework: a sub-imperial nationalism (in *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient*, vol. 64, no. 1–2, March 2021).

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## Other Relevant Information



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GLOBAL CHALLENGES NO. 9 (MARCH 2021)

#### The Moving Fault Lines of Inequality

While poverty has been diminishing in absolute terms and relative income has been growing on a global scale for over two centuries, inequality has been increasing since the early 1980s. In its latest issue, the Graduate Institute's webzine **Global Challenges** provides not only ten analyses by faculty and research members, but also infographics and **varied podcasts and videos** that reflect on the causes behind the multifaceted growth of inequality(ies), anticipate their noxious fallouts and explore potential remedies.

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### Visitors

📅 March–November

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#### Analice Pinto Braga

Coming from Fundação Oswaldo Cruz, PhD Candidate Analice Pinto Braga works on “Marcolino Candau and the World Health Organization (1953–1973): Reflections on an Intermediary in International Health during the Cold War” with Davide Rodogno.



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### Calls for Papers

📅 15 April (abstract submission deadline)

#### The Lives and Afterlives of Extraction: Resistance, Resilience, and Sustainability

*International Development Policy* calls for papers for a special issue edited by **Filipe Calvão**, Asanda Benya,

Matthew Archer and Ndongo Sylla that aims at mobilising innovative solutions and creative alternatives to longstanding problems in the extractive sector and at re-thinking the notion of “extractivism”.

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## Calls for Prizes

 Deadline 15 April

### Marcel Benoist Swiss Science Prize

In 2021, this prestigious annual Prize will recognise outstanding research in the social sciences and humanities related to current social issues and award CHF 250,000 (self-nominations not eligible).

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 Deadline 31 May

### Ethics & Trust in Finance for a Sustainable Future

This prize invites people under the age of 35 working in or studying finance to submit creative papers setting out analyses or proposals for innovative ways to promote ethics & trust in finance. The jury allocates the prize money of USD 20,000 among the winners.

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