



Transnational Law in Peril: Responding to Threats to the Rule of Law and Legal Norms CTLS Global Conference 2026

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May 21, 2026

9:15 a.m. *Arrival*

9:30 a.m. *Welcome*

- Co-directors, Jennifer Hillman (Georgetown Law) and Christian Hofmann (National University of Singapore)

9:45-11:00 a.m. *Panel 1: The Rule of Law*

- Roger Boada Queralt (University of Barcelona) “Territorial Representation and Institutional Moderation: Second Chambers in the Logic of Consensus Democracy in Contemporary Europe”
- Antonios Kouroutakis (IE Law School) “The Mutual Constitution of Rule of Law and Rotation of Power in Democratic Systems”
- Serena Quattrocolo (University of Torino) “A New Rule of Law for the XXI st century?”
- Christian Hofmann (National University of Singapore) “Why Central Bank Independence Matters”
- Moderator: Jennifer Hillman (Georgetown Law)

11:00-11:30 a.m. *Coffee Break*

11:30-12:30 p.m. *Panel 2: International Economic Law and Rule of Law*

- Lorenza Mola (University of Torino) “Rethinking the Very Notion of International Cooperation? Challenges Arising from the Emergence of Private Actors in the Space Sector”
- Luca Rubini (University of Milan) “The Rise and Fall of MFN: Undermining the Rule of Law in the World Trading System?”
- Sonsoles Arias Guedón (IE Law School) “Authoritarian Constitutionalism from a Federal Perspective: Do Subnational Authorities Provide Constitutional Constraints on Authoritarianism? A Comparative Study of India, Mexico, and Brazil”
- Moderator: Christian Hofmann (National University of Singapore)

12:30-1:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30-2:30 p.m. Panel 3: Human Rights/Harmonization

- Olivier Baillet (ESADE Law School) “The Direct Judicial Enforceability of the Values of the EU and the Rule of Law: Breaching the Rule of Law in Order to Better Protect It?”
- Rafael Diniz-Pucci (Universidade de São Paulo) “Environmental Racism and Technology Within the Neo-Authoritarian Wave”
- Christian Armbrüster (Free University of Berlin) “The Brussels Effect and New Challenges to the Pursuit of Common Goods”
- Moderator: Jennifer Hillman (Georgetown Law)

2:30-3:00 p.m. Coffee Break

3:00-4:00 p.m.- Panel 4: AI and Technology

- Madhavi Sunder (Georgetown Law) “About Face: Deepfakes and the Misuse of Copyright”
- Ernest Lim (National University of Singapore) “Same Words, Different Worlds: The Illusion of Shared Judicial AI Principles”
- Luh Luh Lan (National University of Singapore) “AI Governance and Corporate Law: A Comparative Analysis of Directors' Duties and Investor Protection in the EU, South Korea, and Singapore”
- Moderator: Steve Albrecht (General Counsel, Digital Business Services; HSBC; Chair, AI Review Committee at HSBC)

4:00-4:15 p.m. Closing Remarks

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5:30-6:30 p.m. Keynote Event

[The Bingham Room](#), The Honourable Society of Gray’s Inn
10 South Square, London WC1R 5EU

Sovereignties and Clashing Goods in Transnational Legal Orders

A lecture by Professor David Feldman (Emeritus Rouse Ball Professor of English Law and Emeritus Fellow of Downing College, University of Cambridge, and Honorary Professor of Law, University of Manchester)

6:30-7:00 p.m. Reception

All are welcome to attend!

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[Register here to attend the keynote lecture with Professor David Feldman.](#)