

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: Gender and Populism in Europe and Beyond

FIRST INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP
OF THE JEAN MONNET CHAIR “EUROPEAN WOMEN’S LAW AND GENDER”
(EUWONDER)
UNIVERSITY OF PISA
OCTOBER 12-13, 2023

Deadline March 31, 2023

The Department of Law of the University of Pisa will host a two-day international workshop on **Gender and Populism in Europe and Beyond** on October 12 and 13, in Pisa (Italy), within the framework of the European Women’s Law & Gender Jean Monnet Chair (EUWONDER), directed by prof. Elettra Stradella.

Scholars involved in the topic – especially, but not exclusively, young researchers from the Circle-U Alliance partners universities (<https://www.circle-u.eu>) – are invited to submit original proposals concerning Gender and Constitutional Transformation, as well as Constitutional Degradation and Gender backlash. The phenomenon of constitutional degradation appears to have a strong connection with gender degradation through discriminations: we must face this process, contributing to the debate on democratization and the challenges to the rule of law. Also, a focus on Populisms and (old and new) political ideologies is deemed crucial in detecting the crisis of the rule of law and fundamental rights’ retrogressions.

Topics of interest may include, but are not limited to:

- Sexual and Reproductive Rights. Challenges and Opportunities
- Masculinity Studies, ideologies and political agenda
- Post-colonial perspectives and protection of cultural diversity
- Gender (rights), Scientific discourse and communication. Evidence v. Misinformation
- Technologies, AI and AD in private and public power interactions
- Gender, Populism and Extremisms. Hate speech, new trends and radical views
- Gender, Rule of Law and Institutions in Eastern Europe
- Gender, Rule of Law and Institutions in Latin America
- Gender, Populism and Form of Governments. Iper- and Counter-majoritarian standpoints
- Gender, Populism and the Courts. Jeopardizing the independence and the separation of powers

Whereas Law and Gender studies boast a long-established academic tradition, only recently the interactions between Populism, polarizing political agenda and the crisis of the so-called Global Constitutionalism have come to the fore. This indeed requires new patterns and paradigms in dealing with gender issues and gender rights.

Our approach aims at fostering the debate on the institutions, policies and processes involved in the topic, with a special interest in critical, multidisciplinary and pluralist-oriented analyses. Our aim is also

to tackle the interplay between gender, populism, politics and discriminations, as well as their impact on the rule of law as intertwined phenomena.

Proposals will range over many disciplines (European law, Public and Constitutional law, Comparative Law, Private law, Criminal law, Law & Religion, Legal Theory, Sociology of Law).

With the aim of encouraging the participation of young scholars, we will take in high consideration submission from **researchers within 5 years since completion of PhD.**

How to submit a proposal

Abstracts should be submitted by e-mail at euwonder2023@gmail.com in PDF format, following this order:

- a) author(s)
- b) affiliation
- c) e-mail address
- d) title of abstract
- e) body of abstract (apx 4000 characters)

Abstract file should be entitled: Family Name_Last Name

A short CV should be included.

The proposal must be submitted by **March 31, 2023**. Acceptance will be communicated by April 30. **Within 10 days from acceptance, the author confirms his/her participation. Confirmation is mandatory.**

It shall also include a participation option: online or in person attendance.

The full paper must be submitted by July 31, 2023.

Proceedings

Papers will be published in the **Book of Proceedings**, after the scientific committee's assessment.

Some of the selected papers will also be included in a Special Issue publication of a peer-reviewed international journal.