

Glasgow Legal Theory

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EVENTS October- December 2018

Hrafn Asgeirsson (Surrey) 'Authority, Communication, and Legal Content'*	Fri 5 October
Eliot Michaelson (King's College) 'Confused Consent'*	Fri 12 October
Inaugural Lecture: Ruth Dukes 'Critical Labour Law: Then and Now'	Thurs 18 October
<i>Work on Demand</i> Launch Event	Fri 19 October
<i>Jurisprudence</i> lecture: Alain Supiot 'Democracy laid low by the Market'	Fri 19 October
Workshop with Alain Supiot Discussing <i>Governance by Numbers</i>	Sat 20 October
Fernando Atria- (National University of Chile) On Social Rights	Fri 2 November
Dan Lopez de Sa (ICREA & Barcelona), & Samuele Chilovi 'Two kinds of Grounding: Reductive vs. Explanatory'*	Fri 23 November
Jacopo Martire (Bristol) Power, subjectivity, truth, and law: two approaches	Tues 27 November
Veronica Rodriguez-Blanco (Surrey) "Seeing an Aspect' and understanding Action"*	Fri 30 November

* Events sponsored by Hart Publishing in association with the Law and Practical Reason Series

- **EVENTS**

18-19 October: Work on Demand Launch Event

The *Work on Demand* project is motivated by a normative and empirical concern with the continued viability of systems of labour law that are protective of workers' interests in the emerging 'gig' or 'on demand' economy. It has a strong comparative dimension, and will analyse differences in forms of contract and contracting behaviour across jurisdictions and over the course of several decades. With the aim of developing a new methodology for the study of work contracts, it will seek to synthesise elements of economic sociology, sociology of law, and political economy into a new 'economic sociology of labour law'.

The launch of the project will be celebrated with a research event on 18 and 19 October, 2018, at the University of Glasgow. Participants at the event will include Diamond Ashiagbor (Kent), Fred Block (UC Davis), Emiliios Christodoulidis (Glasgow), Simon Deakin (Cambridge), Sabine Frerichs (Vienna), Karl Klare (North Eastern), Kerry Rittich (Toronto) and Wolfgang Streeck (Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies). If you would like to attend please contact ruth.dukes@glasgow.ac.uk



Friday 19 October: 8th Annual Jurisprudence lecture

Professor Alain Supiot will give the 8th Jurisprudence lecture on 19 October 2018. The title for the lecture is 'Democracy Laid Low by the Market'.

Democratic society emerged from a rather marginal practice of people coming together to form "speech assemblies", and deciding on the rules to be binding on all the members. This institutional arrangement, which is precarious because based on an ethics of citizenship which itself relies on education, financial independence in and through work, and respect for the truth, both separates and carefully articulates the political sphere, where issues of public interest are debated; the economic sphere where private interests are pursued; and the sphere of dogmatic Reference (*religio* in its original legal sense), which is both the source of meaning and the guarantor of the trustworthiness of the pledged word, whether in a commercial or a political context.



The economic analysis of law has had the effect of undermining this fragile edifice, by assimilating democracy to a simple "market of ideas". Concomitantly, the sphere of the market has absorbed the political sphere (the "electoral market") as well as the realm of the dogmatic or the sacred (the "market of religions"). The figure of the consumer flourishes on the ruins of the figure of the citizen. Please register your place via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/jurisprudence-8th-annual-lecture-oct-2018-tickets-50266877584>

*Event sponsored by Taylor and Francis Publishing for the journal *Jurisprudence*

Saturday 20 October: Seminar with Alain Supiot: Discussing Governance by Numbers

At a seminar to be held the following day, we invite participants to discuss Alain Supiot's *Governance by Numbers* and the displacement of the state, democracy and law in favour of governance by programming techniques.

Discussants:

- Alain Supiot, Collège de France
- Samuel Jubé, IEA, Nantes
- Simon Deakin, University of Cambridge
- Nicola Countouris, UCL
- Poul Kjaer, Copenhagen Business School
- Kerry Rittich, University of Toronto
- Emilios Christodoulidis, University of Glasgow
- Anthony Marzal, University of Glasgow

We will be joined by the Glasgow Legal Theory team and postgraduate researchers.

• **NEWS**

Leverhulme Research Project

We are pleased to welcome Sally Zhu to the GLT team in November 2018. Sally was awarded her PhD from LSE in 2018, and was previously at University of Cambridge (LLM) and LSE (LLB). Sally's Leverhulme research project will focus on the phenomena of cyber- and sharing-economies, how they change relations between persons and things, and their implications for theories of property.

'Markets, Constitutions and Inequality' Research Project

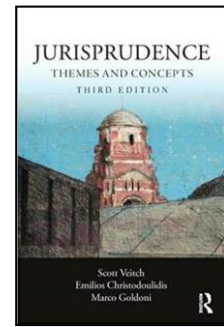
Anna Chadwick and Javier Solana have received £24, 425 of funding from the Global Challenges Research Fund and the Scottish Funding Council. The grant funds the development of a new interdisciplinary research network that will explore the role that constitutions play in shaping markets and in creating the conditions for sustainable and inclusive economic development. Researchers in Glasgow will collaborate with partners in Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, and Mexico to undertake a comparative cross-country study of the role that constitutions play in setting the terms for economic governance. Two workshops will be held: One in Glasgow in March 2019, and a second in Colombia in May/June 2019. Project Leads: Dr. Andrés Palacios Lleras; Dr. Anna Chadwick; Dr. Javier Solana. Co-Investigators: Professor Sayantan Ghosal; Dr. Julia McClure; and Dr. Karen Siegel.

GLT Reading Group

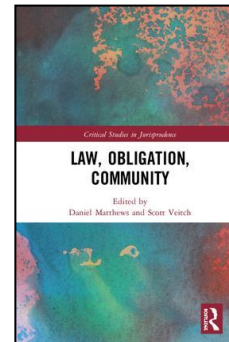
The reading group will continue on Mondays 5:30-7pm. In preparation for the Jurisprudence lecture in October we will read Supiot's 'Governance by Numbers'.

• **PUBLICATIONS**

Jurisprudence: Themes and Concepts 3rd Ed.
Scott Veitch, Emiliios Christodoulidis and Marco Goldoni

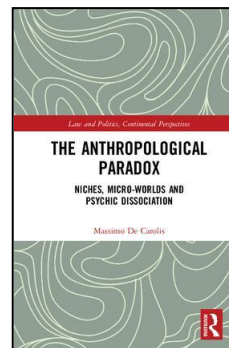


Law, Obligation, Community
Edited by Scott Veitch and Dan Matthews

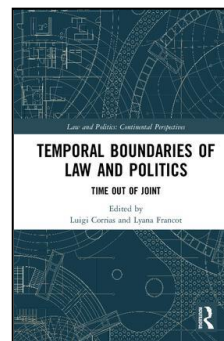


***Law & Politics: Continental Perspectives**
(General editors Marco Goldoni & Mariano Croce)

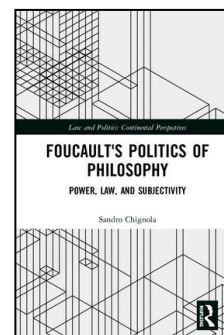
The Anthropological Paradox
Niches, Micro-worlds and Psychic Dissociation
Massimo De Carolis



Temporal Boundaries of Law and Politics
Time Out of Joint
Luigi Corrias, Lyana Francot



Foucault's Politics of Philosophy
Power, Law, and Subjectivity
Sandro Chignola



2019 Forthcoming: Research Handbook in Critical Legal Theory

Editors: Emiliios Christodoulidis, Ruth Dukes, Marco Goldoni

Edward Elgar Publishing

Critical Theory, characteristically linked with the *politics* of theoretical engagement, covers the manifold of the connections between theory and praxis. This thought-provoking Research Handbook captures the broad range of those connections as far as *legal* thought is concerned and retains an emphasis both on the politics of theory, and on the notion of theoretical engagement. The first part examines the question of definition and tracks the origins and development of critical legal theory along its European and North American trajectories. The second part looks at the thematic connections between the development of legal theory and other currents of critical thought such as; Feminism, Marxism, Critical Race Theory, varieties of post-modernism, as well as the various ‘turns’ (ethical, aesthetic, political) of critical legal theory. The third and final part explores particular fields of law, addressing the question how the field has been shaped by critical legal theory, or what critical approaches reveal about the field, with the clear focus on opportunities for social transformation.