Eighth Annual International & Comparative Urban Law Conference

Peter A. Allard School of Law
University of British Columbia
1822 E Mall, Vancouver, BC

DRAFT SCHEDULE - PLEASE RESPOND BY FRIDAY, JUNE 10th

Thursday, July 14th

9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.  Welcoming Remarks and Introduction to the Conference

9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Virtual Sessions

(A) Scale, Mobility, and Street Life in Urban Law (Virtual panel)

Location/Link:
Moderator:

1. Isolde de Villiers – Cities, law, and transport: shifting scale to Bloemfontein (virtual from Bloemfontein, South Africa at 6:15 pm South Africa Standard Time)

2. Valentina Montoya-Robledo – That is why users do not understand our Maps: Cartographic gaps between experts and domestic workers and the Right to the City (virtual from Bogota, Colombia at 11:15 am Colombia Time)

3. Prashant Narang – Protecting Livelihoods of Urban Street Vendors: A Case Study of Mumbai (virtual from New Delhi, India - 9:45 pm India Standard Time)

(B) Exclusion and Belonging in the City (Virtual Panel)

Location/Link:
Moderator:

1. Ivan Mugabi – Urbanisation as a Ugandan Exclusionary Narrative to Disability Empowerment: Case Study of Kampala Capital City of Uganda (virtual from Kampala, Uganda at 7:15 pm East Africa Time)
2. **Rui Marques Pinto** – *Idealization of More Perfect union in the city of Reutlingen: Immigration Board Between Tokenism Race and Rule of Law* (virtual from Reutlingen, Germany at 6:15 pm Central European Summer Time)

3. **Diego Gil et al.** – *The Social Divide of Urban Land-Use Regulatory Changes: Evidence from Chile* (virtual from Santiago, Chile at 10:15 am Chile Standard Time)

**Fifteen-Minute Break**

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Virtual Sessions

(A) **Design and Technology from an Urban Law Perspective** *(Virtual Panel)*

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1. **Shewit K. Gebreslassie** – *Crime Prevention through Environmental Design for Sustainable Urban Environments: The Case of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia* (virtual from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia at 9:00 pm East Africa Time)

2. **Analice Nogueira Santos Cunha** – *Biopolitics of Facial Recognition System in Urban Governmentality: Applying Michel Foucault to Urban Law* (virtual from São Paulo - 3:00 pm Brasilia Time)

3. **Astrid Voorwinden** – *Experimenting in the Smart City: A legal analysis of Urban Living Labs* (virtual from The Netherlands at 8:00 pm Central European Summer Time; alternatively, may be a pre-recorded presentation)

(B) **Systemic Approaches to Urban Law** *(Virtual panel)*

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1. **Bilyana Petkova** – *Federalism and Urbanism: Friends or Foes?* (virtual from Graz, Austria at 8:00 pm Central European Summer Time)

2. **Kathleen Morris** – *American Democracy, Law, and Government as a Single Complex System* (virtual from San Francisco, USA at 11:00 am Pacific Daylight Time)

3. **Anatolijs Krivins** – *Patterns and innovations in urban law of the Baltic States* (may be virtual from Latvia - 9:00 pm Eastern European Summer Time)
Lunch
-and-
Author Meets Reader Discussion
Marc Roark in dialogue with Nestor Davidson on Squatting and the State: Resilient Property in an Age of Crisis (with Lorna Fox O’Mahony)

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
[Location TBD]

[Field Outing and Dinner]
Friday, July 15th

[Potential breakfast - TBD]

8:30 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. Parallel Sessions

(A) Oppression at the Intersection: State Takeover Legislation and the Hostile Takeover of an Urbanizing School District

Location:
Moderator: Laura Garz-Stallcup

Part I

1. Aaron Saiger – Identifying the Constituencies of Local School Government
2. Aaron Nichole Cassidy – Takeover as the Third Way: Antecedents & Consequences of State Takeover

Ten-Minute Break

Part II

4. Dr. Derrick Robinson & Dr. Ashley M. Johnson – No one asked us: Reimagining Parental Partnerships in School Takeovers
5. Dr. Timberly Baker – The Impact of State Takeover and Receivership: Implications for the School-to-Prison Pipeline

(B) Right to the City and Rights in the City (Virtual)

(virtual from Rome, Italy at 5:30 pm Central European Summer Time)

Location:
Moderator: Chiara Feliziani
Part I

1. **Laura Vagni** – *Right to access urban space and private property rights: comparative remarks on the effectiveness of the right to the city*

2. **Pamela Lattanzi / Dr. Serena Mariani** - *Cities, food, and sustainability: legal tools for building sustainable urban food systems*

3. **Dr. Elena Codoni** – *Benefit companies - a tool for more sustainable cities?*

**Ten-Minute Break**

Part II

1. **Nina Contigiani** – *Urban spatiality and public assistance: from the removal of marginalization to the internal concentration of poor workers*

2. **Dr. Alessandra Lucaiolli / Dr. Simona Tiribelli** – *Spatial Justice: An Ethical Model for the Design of the Urban AI*

**Fifteen-Minute Break**

11:25 a.m. – 12:55 p.m.  Parallel Sessions

(A) **Tenants and Tenant Power (Hybrid)**


2. **Dr. Alessio Sardo** – *Free Market or Housing Shortage? Berlin Rent Cap and its Dilemma (virtual from Genoa, Italy at 8:25 pm Central European Summer Time)*

3. **Nadav Shoked** – *US Courts’ Idea of the Tenant*
Housing, Gentrification, and Anti-Discrimination in Urban Law (Hybrid)

Location:
Moderator:

1. J.H. Stefan van Tongeren – Integration Versus Intrusion: Balancing the Housing Rights of Ex-Offenders and their Neighbours in Dutch Urban Areas


3. Gilson Santiago Macedo, Jr. – How to build anti-discrimination cities? Thinking about race, gender, and sexuality in urban law (virtual from São Paulo, Brazil - 3:25 pm Brasilia Standard Time)

Lunch, Welcome from Dean Pindell
- and -
Meeting of the Association of Urban Law Scholars (AULS)

12:55 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
[Location]

Parallel Sessions

(A) Copyright, Narrative, and Population in Urban Space (Hybrid)

Location:
Moderator:

1. Dr. Graham Reynolds – Copyright and the City

2. Geeta Tewari – Defining Narrative Law (virtual from Pennsylvania, USA - 5:15 pm Eastern Daylight Time)

3. Ted DeBarbieri – Purchasing Population Growth (virtual from Albany, USA at 5:15 pm Eastern Daylight Time)

(B) Traffic and Sidewalks; with Interlocalism

Location:
Moderator:
1. **Aviv Gaon and Guy Seidman** – *Farewell, Traffic Law*

2. **Michael Pollack** – *Sidewalk Government*

3. **Daniel Rosenbaum** – *Forced Interlocalism*

**Fifteen-Minute Break**

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Parallel Sessions**

**(A) Public Finance and Urban Incentives (Hybrid)**

- **Location:**
- **Moderator:**

1. **Matthew Rossman** – *Which Public Incentives are Performing Best at Improving Economic Conditions in Distressed Urban Areas?*

2. **Robert Sroka** – *Mega-projects and mega-events: evaluating Vancouver 2010 stadium and convention infrastructure*

3. **Adam Feibelman** – *Municipal Debt and Debt Restructuring: India and the U.S.*
   (Adam will present in person; co-authors Renuka Sane and Bhargavi Zaveri will present virtually. Renuka Sane will join at 4:30 am SATURDAY India Standard Time; Bhargavi Zaveri will join at 7:00 am SATURDAY Singapore Standard Time)

**(B) Urban Development, Revitalization, and Homelessness in Legal Perspective**

- **Location:**
- **Moderator:**

1. **Vivian Dombrowski** – *Legal obstacles in urban-center revitalization: the case of Curitiba/Brasil*

2. **Yifat Holzman-Gazit** – *Permit Files: Studying the Back Stage of Regularization of Accessory Dwelling Units in Israel*

3. **Stepan Wood** – *A Tale of Two (Tent) Cities—And One Judge: How (Not) to Weigh Evidence in Homeless Encampment Injunction Cases*
Conference Dinner

6:30 p.m.

[Location TBD]
Saturday, July 16th

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Parallel Sessions

(A) Reconsidering Cities, Landscape, and Innovation (virtual panel)

1. Nikhil Ravindra & Chetana R – Ruminating Cities through Landscape Architecture (virtual from Bengaluru, India - 9:00 pm India Standard Time)

2. Elena De Nictolis & Christian Iaione - The urban law of innovation: a challenge to the private - public law divide? Cities as legal experimental grounds to tackle health, climate and technological disruptions. (virtual - Elena from Washington, DC 11:30 am EDT Time; Christian from Rome, Italy at 5:30 pm Central European Summer Time)

3. Boniface Okot – Beyond the Point of No Return: What Can Africa Do to Maximize the Benefits That Come from Use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)? (virtual from Uganda - 6:30 pm East Africa Time)

(B) Conflicts and Context in Urban Law (Hybrid)

Location:

Moderator:

1. Yustina Trihoni Dewi – Conflict Early Warning System of Ambon (virtual from Indonesia - 10:30 pm Western Indonesia Time)

2. Ronit Levine-Schnur – The Colonial Subject’s Dilemma: Land Settlement of Title in East Jerusalem and the Conflict Over Sheikh Jarrah

3. Kizito Kabengele – The “africanacity” of urban laws in South Africa through the lens of Section 26 of the Constitution (virtual from Pretoria, South Africa at 5:30 pm South Africa Standard Time)

Fifteen-Minute Break

10:15 a.m. – 12:55 p.m. Session | Sustainability, Energy, and the Urban Commons (Hybrid)

Location/Link:

Moderator:
Part I

1. **Tarun Arora** – *The Impact of New and Renewable Sources of Energy (NRSE) - Policy of Punjab in Urban Areas* (virtual from Punjab, India - 10:45 pm India Standard Time)

2. **Evaldas Klimas** – *Sustainable development and urban planning regulations for climate change management measures, Lithuanian case*

3. **Valentina Pagnanelli & Giacomo Pailli** – *Urban Public Space, Marginal Communities and the Risks of Data Collection: A Tale from Italian Cities* (Giacomo will present in person; Valentina is virtual from Florence at 7:15 pm Central European Summer Time)

   **Ten-Minute Break**

Part II

1. **Hoi Kong** – *Sustainable Urban Design: The Case of Montreal*

2. **Alexandra Flynn** – *Local Governance and the Urban Commons*

   **Lunch - and - Roundtable on Teaching Urban Law**

   12:55 p.m. – 1:55 p.m.  
   [Location]

1:55 p.m. - 2:55 p.m.  
**Parallel Sessions**

(A) **International and Regionally Focused Urban Law** (virtual)

   **Location:**
   **Moderator:**

   1. **Itai Apter** – *Municipal Taxation (Exemption) to International Actors - A Foregone Conclusion?* (virtual from Washington, DC at 4:55 pm Eastern Daylight Time)

   2. **Guanchi Zhang** – *Do We Need Megacities as a Constitutional Concept? Lessons from East Asia* (virtual from Boston, USA at 4:55 pm Eastern Daylight Time)
(B) Public Health, Innovation, and Urban Law

Location:
Moderator:


2. Paul Diller – *Focusing a Public Accommodations Lens on Vaccine Passports*

*Fifteen-Minute Break*

3:10 p.m. – 5:50 p.m. Session | Rethinking Planning, Zoning, and Land

Location:
Moderator:

**Part I**

1. Papon Dev – *Dhaka Detail Area Plan and Its Legacy: A Never-Ending Uncontrolled Growth*


3. Sarah Fox – *The Price of Land and the Cost of Land Use*

*Ten-Minute Break*

**Part II**

1. Rachelle Alterman – *Can legislation curtail the negatives in condominium towers?*

2. Douglas Harris – *Condominium Bylaw No. 5 – No Kids: Private Democratic Residential Government and the City*

5:50 p.m. **Closing Remarks**