

2017 Meeting

RC 09 (Comparative Judicial Studies)
International Political Science Association

*Comparative Judicial Studies at the Crossroads: Mapping New Research Agendas
and Exploring New Paths*

Irvine, California, USA
June 25-27, 2017

Host:

Professor Charles Anthony Smith (University of California, Irvine)

Conveners:

Professor Charles Anthony Smith (University of California, Irvine)

Professor James Kelly (Concordia University, Montreal, Canada)

Conference Location:

TBD

University of California, Irvine

Registration Fee: \$125 (USD)

Sunday, June 25, 2017

Room: TBD

17:00 – 19:00 Conference Registration and Opening Reception**Monday, June 26, 2017**

Room: TBD

9:00 – 9:15 Introduction and Greeting

Tony Smith (University of California, Irvine)

9:15 – 10:30 *Constrained Judicial Review: Canada and the Philippines*Chair **TBD**

Papers **James Kelly** (Concordia University) – “The Supreme Court of Canada as an Implementer-dependent Institution: Contentious Moral Issues and Strong-form Legislative Responses”

Alejandro N. Ciencia (University of the Philippines Baguio) – “The Judicialization of Contentious Social and Moral Issues: The Philippine Supreme Court and the Duterte Presidency”

Hakeem Tijani (Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research) – “Democracy and Governance in Nigeria: Can Judiciary be a Lubricant?”

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break**11:00 – 12:15 *Constitutional Courts in Divided Societies: Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Indonesia***Chair **TBD**

Papers **Elma Demir** (University of London) – “Social Accountability of the Judiciary in Bosnia and Herzegovina”

Dominic Nardi (University of Michigan) – “Changing the Terms of Debate: A Latent Topic Model of NGO Petitions and Agenda-Setting in Indonesia’s Constitutional Court”

12:15 – 14:00 Lunch

Room: TBD

14:00 – 15:15 *Methodological Approaches to Judicial Institutions: Canada, Australia and Latin America*

Chair **TBD**

Papers **Andrew C. Banfield** (Australian National University), **Julie K. Banfield** (Australian National University) and **Matthew Kerby** (Australian National University) – “Simulating Justices: Career Trajectory and the Supreme Court of Canada”

Rhonda L. Evans (The University of Texas at Austin) – “Measuring the Political Salience of the High Court of Australia’s Agenda, 1995-2016”

15:15 – 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 – 17:00 *The European Legal Order: Continuity and Change*

Chair **TBD**

Papers **Walter Carnota** (University of Buenos Aires) – “‘Brexit’ and the European Legal order”

Michael Tolley (Northeastern University) – “Rights Protection in Europe: On the Relationship between the Court of Justice of the European Union, the Court of Human Rights and High National Courts”

Dagmar Soennecken (York University) – “Theorizing Legal Mobilization in Europe: Do Dogs Bark Differently in Europe?”

19:00 Conference Dinner

Location: TBD

Tuesday June 27, 2017

Room: TBD

9:00 – 10:30 *Courts as Strategic Actors: Brazil, Israel, and Germany*

Chair **TBD**

Papers **Rebecca B. M. Magalhães** (Università degli Studi di Milano) – “Strategic Communication and Judicial Power: The Brazilian Supreme Court”

Raanan Sulitzeanu-Kenan (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), **Yoav Dotan** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), and **Omer Yair** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) – “Action Expresses Priorities: Judicial Anti-Corruption Enforcement Can Enhance Electoral Accountability”

Stefanie Vedder (University of Kassel) – “A Fight for Authority: Strategic Actions of National Courts in a Multi-Level System”

10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee Break**

10:45 – 11:30 *RC09 Business Meeting*

Chair **Tony Smith** (University of California, Irvine)

Item: Panel suggestions for 25th World Congress of Political Science, International Political Science Association, Brisbane, Australia, July 21-26, 2018.

11:30 – 13:00 *The Judicialization of Politics in Latin American and the Iberian Peninsula*

Chair **TBD**

Papers **Luis Felipe Andrade Barbosa**, **José Mário Wanderley Gomes**, and **Ernani Rodrigues de Carvalho Neto** – “Deciding on decisions: the STF and the judicialization of the legislative agenda of the Brazilian National Congress”

Papers **Fabricio Ricardo de Limas Tomio, Ilton Norberto Robl Filho, and Rodrigo Luís Kanayama** (Federal University, Brazil) – “Comparative studies on Constitutional Courts: the role of abstract judicial review at consensualism of decisional process and on democratic stability in Latin America (Brazil and Mexico) and in Iberian Peninsula”

Tony Smith (University of California, Irvine) and **Patty Rodda** (University of California, Irvine) - "Lawyers Revolting, Revolting Lawyers: the Bench and Bar in Transitional Governments (Latin America)

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch and Conference Closing