Dear RC Members

IPSA Research Committee 9 (Comparative Judicial Studies) invites paper proposals for the following closed panels during IPSA’s 23rd World Congress of Political Science, July 19-24, 2014 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. RC09 panels are open to all scholars interested in the study of law and courts from a comparative, national, and international perspective.
On behalf of the RC09, sincerely

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P1. Comparative Judicial Analyses: developing and building on available data resources.

P2. The Judicialization of Language policy and Identity politics.

P3. Reconciling the tension between Judicial Independence and Political Accountability in established democracies.

P4. Reconciling the tension between Judicial Independence and Political Accountability in emerging democracies and transitional states.

P5. The nature and scope of 'judicialization of politics' and the 'politicization of the judiciary' in the 21st century.

P6. Courts in the Age of Austerity

P7. Courts, Civil Liberties, and National Security before and after the War on Terror

P8. Indigenous People and the Courts: post colonial justice or hollow hope?


P10. Qualitative Approaches to the Study of Courts and Politics

P11. Transnational and International Legal Institutions and Processes

P12. Courts and democracy – appropriate roles and boundaries in developed and emerging democracies.

P13. Understanding and Re-discovering the Importance of Subnational Court.

P15. Courts and Quality of Democracy

P16. Judicial Networks and Transnational Laws

P17. Courts and Regional Integrations: Asia, Latin Americas, and Europe in comparative perspective

Interested participants are asked to submit a **250 word** abstract to rc09.ipsa@gmail.com by **September 3, 2013**. In your abstract, please indicate which RC09 Panel (P1-P17) that you wish to be considered for during the 23rd World Congress of Political Science that will be held in Montreal, July 19-24, 2014.

The authors of proposals selected for inclusion in RC09’s closed panels will be notified by **September 24, 2013** with instructions on how to upload their proposals via the IPSA portal.

*For non RC09 members, we will be glad to take into consideration panels proposals, under the conditions that they include also three possible paper givers and a clear statement of the purpose and the topics addressed.*