



INVISIBLE ACTORS IN THE MAKING OF INTERNATIONAL LAW (1750-2000)

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DAY 1 – 27 NOVEMBER 2025

13:30 - Welcome coffee

14:00 - Institutional greetings:

Dina WAKED (Sciences Po, École de Droit, École de la recherche) ;
Guillaume PIKETTY (Sciences Po, CHSP)

14.15 - Keynote Lecture: Tamar HERZOG (Harvard University):
“What is International Law and Who are International Actors?
A View from the Sideline”

Chair: **Conor MULLER** (University of Oxford / Sciences Po, CHSP)

Discussants: **Laurine MANAC'H** (Université Paris I), **Benjamin PETERS** (Geneva Graduate Institute)

15:45-16:00 - Coffee break

16:00-18:00 - Panel 1: “Making international law in the shadows of (non-)sovereigns”

Chair: **Amina HASSANI** (Sciences Po, École de Droit / Geneva)

- **Ayse POLAT** (Oxford University), “Sans Patrie, Sans Protection: Statelessness and Non-Sovereignty in International Legal History, 1850-1900”

- **Soumya RANJAN GAHIR** (Ravenshaw University), “Stateless Strategies: Palestinian Refugees and the Bottom-Up Making of International Law, 1948-1965”

- **Meghashree DEV** (National Law School of India University, Ben galuru), “Shadow Sovereigns: Women, Migrants, and the Making of International Law in Sikkim”

Discussants: **Horatia MUIR-WATT** (École de droit Sciences Po),

Nicolas DELALANDE (Sciences Po, CHSP)

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Junior Conference

DAY 2 – 28 NOVEMBER 2025

9:30 - Welcome coffee

10:00-12:00 - Panel 2: “Shaping the textualities of international law”

Chair: **Clarisse ANCEAU** (Sciences Po, École de Droit)

- **Maarten MANSE** (Linnaeus University), “Recasting the Terms of Empire: How Indigenous Translators and Scribe Mediated the Legal Vocabulary of Empire through Treaty-making in Southeast Asia (c. 1750-1900)”

- **Matthew CLEARY** (Independent), “Cultural Brokers of International Law: Librarians, Rare Books, and the Global Competition for De Iure Belli ac Pacis”

- **Nicole STYBNAROVA** (Copenhagen Business School), “Deceiving with a Sweet Banana: Petitioners in Trust Territories as Theorists of International Law”

Discussants: **Jean d'ASPREMONT** (Sciences Po, École de droit),

David TODD (Sciences Po, CHSP)

14:00-16:00 - Panel 3: “Building collective visibilities within international law”

Chair: **Giovanni ROGGIA** (Sciences Po, CHSP / Roma Tre University)

- **Apeike UMOLU** (Cambridge University), “Pan-Africanism, Nationalism, and 19th Century Discourses on International Law-Making”

- **Michelle M. ONG** (Harvard University), “Reassembling the Global Black Armada, 1945-1949”

- **Nhi Yen LE** (Norwegian University of Science and Technology), “Migrant workers from French former colonies: Vietnamese Migrant Unions within the emergence of EEC's freedom of movement”

Discussants: **Ville KARI** (Tilburg University), **Mohamed-Ali ADRAOUI** (Université Sorbonne Paris Nord)

16:00-16:30 - Coffee break

16:30-17:15 - Concluding Remarks

Daniela Luigia CAGLIOTI (University of Naples Federico II)

Chair: **Lorenzo BONOMELLI** (Sciences Po, CHSP / SSM Naples)

17:15 - Closure

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