

4th Annual Postgraduate Conference in International Law and Human Rights:
Conflict and Contestation in International Law

University of Liverpool, 11th-12th June 2020

Call for Papers

The International Law and Human Rights Unit, part of the School of Law and Social Justice at the University of Liverpool, warmly invites postgraduate research students to its 4th Annual Postgraduate Conference in International Law and Human Rights. The conference will take place on 11th-12th June 2020.

This year, the conference theme is *Conflict and Contestation in International Law*. We are delighted to announce that Professor Antje Wiener, Professor of Political Science & Global Governance, University of Hamburg & By-Fellow Hughes Hall Cambridge, will deliver the keynote lecture.

We encourage paper and poster proposals from postgraduate students who specialise in international law, human rights or related subjects and welcome contributions from doctrinal, normative, historical, conceptual and comparative perspectives. The conference offers a unique opportunity for postgraduate students to present and discuss their work in a stimulating and friendly academic environment, among peers with similarly oriented research interests.

‘Soapbox’ Session

In addition to traditional paper and poster formats, we also welcome proposals for our ‘soapbox session’. Here, speakers have just 5 minutes to air a controversial legal argument against the clock. They then have 10 minutes to defend this view against a critical audience! This is a dynamic forum for short presentations on bold ideas or controversial legal views.

How to submit

Please send an abstract of no more than 300 words along with a short biography (no more than 100 words) to ilhrucon@liverpool.ac.uk (any questions should also be directed to the same). Please indicate whether you are applying to present a paper, poster or ‘soapbox’, and please indicate which topic (or topics) your proposal fits into based on the following list:

- Conflict and Security Law
- The Law of the Global Economy
- International Criminal Law
- International or Comparative Human Rights Law
- The Theory and History of International Law and/or Human Rights

Applicants are welcome to submit proposals for more than one format. The deadline for submissions is **13th March 2020**. Notification of acceptance will be given by **27th March 2020**.

We look forward to welcoming you to the University of Liverpool!