Workshop
Law and Language in EU and International Law

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Law and language encompasses various scientific, typically interdisciplinary approaches to the study of law with a focus on language. EU law and international law are particularly fruitful fields of research for such approaches because of their inherent transnational/international focus and because they are faced with questions of multilingualism with particular frequency (although not as the only fields of law). In both fields, recent years have seen the emergence of a number of new approaches and research projects relying on law and language methods. The present workshop aims to establish the state of research from a methodological perspective. In particular, it asks what approaches are currently used; how they relate to one another; how they can be positioned with regard to their ‘origins’ in linguistics, translation studies etc.; and which approaches are currently not (yet) used. Within the individual approaches, the workshop aims to uncover what the currently used approaches can and cannot do. To answer these and other questions, the workshop convenes a small number of leading experts who themselves rely on a variety of law and language methods.

Speakers and discussants

Dr des Odile Ammann, University of Zurich
Prof. Wolfgang Alschner, University of Ottawa
Dr Marie-Louise Gächter, University of Fribourg
Zuzanna Godzimirska, University of Copenhagen
Prof. Stefan Höfler, University of Zurich
Prof. Anne Lise Kjær, University of Copenhagen
Prof. Ulf Linderfalk, Lund University
Prof. Karen McAuliffe, University of Birmingham
PD Benedikt Pirker, University of Fribourg
Prof. Thomas Probst, University of Fribourg
Jennifer Smolka, Federal Chancellery and Canton of Valais

Workshop convenor
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Target audience
The workshop is open for all interested persons.

Language
English

Participation is free of charge, but registration is compulsory.

Registration
Please send an email to benedikt.pirker@unifr.ch before 3 May 2019.