

Program for the RDV seminar series

SPRING 2023

The RDV-seminar is a collaboration between [DIPA](#) (UiB) and [LawTransform](#) (UiB).

Date	Time	Presenter and title
Thursday, January 26 (week 4)	14:15-15:30	Conor O'Mahonyⁱ <i>Experiences of being the Special Rapporteur on Child Protection to the Government of Ireland</i> Moderator: Audun Løvlie (DIPA)
Thursday, February 16 (week 7)	14:15-15:30	Jørn Sundeⁱⁱ <i>Protecting children from what? An overview of child protection in legal history</i> Moderator: Barbara Ruiken (DIPA)
Thursday, February 23 (week 8)	14:15-15:30	Karina Denariⁱⁱⁱ <i>Brazil: Deciding in time of crisis</i> Moderator: Larissa Margario (LawTransform)
Thursday, March 9 (week 10)	14:15-15:30	Colleen Henry^{iv} <i>Stigmatized & excluded: Child maltreatment registries in the United States and their collateral consequences for low-income women and women of color</i> Moderator: Hege Helland (DIPA)
Thursday, March 23 (week 12)	14:15-15:30	To be announced
Thursday, April 6 (week 14)	14:15-15:30	No seminar (Easter)
Thursday, April 20 (week 16)	14:15-15:30	To be announced
Tuesday, May 2 (week 18) Note date	14:15-15:30	Alicia Ely Yamin^v <i>When Misfortune Becomes Injustice: Evolving Human Rights Struggles for Health and Social Equality</i> Moderator: TBA (LawTransform)
Thursday, May 18 (week 20)	14:15-15:30	No seminar (ascension day/ kristi himmelfartsdag)
Thursday, May 25 (week 21)	14:15-15:30	To be announced
Thursday, June 15 (week 24)	14:15-15:30	To be announced

Minor adjustments to the program may occur.

ⁱ **Conor O'Mahony** is Professor at the University College Cork (Ireland). He is also the Director of the Child Law Clinic at the university, through which he works to support litigation concerning children and to advocate for law reform in the area of child law. Professor O'Mahony's research interests lie broadly in the areas of constitutional law and child law, with a particular focus on family and children's rights. From 2019 to 2022, he served as Special Rapporteur on Child Protection to the Government of Ireland, a role which included annually reporting on significant child protection developments.

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<https://www.ucc.ie/en/law/news/annual-report-of-the-special-rapporteur-on-child-protection-published-by-prof-conor-omahony.html>

ⁱⁱ **Jørn Sunde** is Professor in legal history at the Department of Public and International Law at the University of Oslo. He has authored and edited numerous books, including one on the history of the Norwegian Supreme Court, as well as several articles and book chapters, such as a chapter on the history of Nordic legal culture and court culture in the 2021 book, *Rethinking Nordic Courts*. Professor Sunde is dedicated to the dissemination of research and has held over 600 speeches outside academia, participated in the making of historical exhibitions, in radio and TV programs, and written a series of newspaper articles. Sunde is three times awarded lecturer of the year at the Faculty of Law in Bergen, where he was previously a professor. <https://www.jus.uio.no/ior/english/people/aca/jornosu/index.html>

ⁱⁱⁱ **Karina Denari** is currently a researcher at FGV São Paulo Law School and a guest researcher at the Centre on Law and Social Transformation with a grant from the Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior - Brazil (CAPES-PrInt). Her research in LawTransform is part of the FGV Project "Law in the Digital Era" and is entitled "Disasters as Critical Junctures for Judicial Innovation". She holds a master's degree in Law from the University of São Paulo, and a PhD in Law from the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, where she was awarded a scholarship for a visiting research period at the Kellogg Institute for International Studies at the University of Notre Dame.

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^v **Alicia Ely Yamin** holds several positions: She is a Lecturer on Law and Senior Fellow on Global Health and Rights at Harvard Law School, and Adjunct Senior Lecturer on Health Policy and Management at Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health. Throughout her career, Yamin has combined academia and activism, and she is currently Senior Advisor on Human Rights and Health Policy at the global health justice organization, Partners In Health. Yamin is globally known and, in addition to conducting international and comparative research, she has served as an expert on global committees such as the United Nations and World Health Organization. At the heart of Yamin's research interests, lie the right to health, including sexual and reproductive health. <https://hls.harvard.edu/faculty/alicia-yamin/>