



Book Launch and Academic Workshop

Legal Governance of Historical Memory in Comparative Perspectives

Organizers and venue:

T.M.C. Asser Institute (The Hague)

Date: 19 October 2018 (Friday afternoon)

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15:00 – 15:15 Opening remarks by Prof. Janne Nijman (Academic Director of the T.M.C. Asser Institute) and Prof. Eric Heinze (Queen Mary University London, head of the MELA consortium)

15:15-16:00

Panel I Book Presentation

Chair: Dr. León Castellanos-Jankiewicz (Asser Institute)

1. Dr. Ulad Belavusau (Principal Investigator of the MELA project at the T.M.C. Asser Institute, Senior Researcher)

2. Dr. Aleksandra Gliszczyńska-Grabias (Principal Investigator of the MELA project at the Polish Academy of Sciences, Senior Researcher)

Followed by Q&As

16:00-16:20 Coffee Break



16:20-17:30

Panel II Workshop: *Perspectives on Memory Laws from the Book Authors*

Chair: Marina Bán (Asser Institute)

1. Prof. Robert Kahn (University of St. Thomas, Minnesota)

“Banning Genocide Denial – Should Geography Matter?”

2. Prof. Antoon De Baets (Groningen University)

“The United Nations Human Rights Committee’s View of the Past”

3. Dr. Marina Aksenova (Copenhagen University)

“The Role of International Criminal Tribunals in Shaping the Historical Accounts of Genocides”

4. Prof. Eric Heinze (Queen Mary University London)

“Beyond Memory Laws: Towards a General Theory of Law & Historical Discourse”

5. Discussant: Suryapratim Roy (Trinity College Dublin), *Followed by Q&As*

17:30-18:30 Reception (wine and hors d'oeuvres)