

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)

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 (T.M.C. Asser Institute)

- 1. Dr. Ulad Belavusau (Senior Researcher at the T.M.C. Asser Institute, Principal Investigator of the MELA project)
- 2. Dr. Aleksandra Gliszczyńska-Grabias (Senior Researcher at the Polish Academy of Sciences, Principal Investigator of the MELA project)

Followed by a O&A

16:00-16:20 Coffee Break

16:20-17:50

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

Chair: Bob Deen (Senior Adviser, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities)

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. Marina Bán (T.M.C. Asser Institute)
- "The Role of Christianity in Shaping the Legal Governance of Historical Memory in Hungary"
- 4. Prof. Eric Heinze (Queen Mary University London)
- "Beyond Memory Laws: Towards a General Theory of Law & Historical Discourse"
- 5. Discussant: Dr. Suryapratim Roy (Trinity College Dublin)

Followed by a QCA

17:50-18:00 Closing Remarks by Dr. Uladzislau Belavusau (T.M.C. Asser Institute)

18:00-18:40 <u>Reception</u> (wine and hors d'oeuvres)