

IUS COMMUNE



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Goals and organization of the Ius Commune Leuven Masterclass 2021

This year, the Leuven meeting of the Ius Commune postgraduate training course will take place on **Thursday 27 – Friday 28 May 2021**. Traditionally, this meeting is conceived as a Masterclass, during which doctoral researchers present their preliminary findings and submit it to a panel of experts. The goal of the Leuven Masterclass is to further develop the following skills: writing a paper, presenting and discussing your paper, and commenting on the papers of your peers. **Due to the ongoing global health crisis, the Masterclass will be held online via Zoom.**

Paper

The paper (5 to 10 pages) should comprise the major issues and findings of your Ph.D. that you would like to receive feedback and advice on. This can include, but is not limited to, the methodology employed, the problems encountered until now, and your (preliminary) research findings. **Your paper has to be submitted before 13 May 2021** in order for it to be distributed to the discussants and the expert.

Presentation

All participants are asked to present their submitted paper orally. This presentation should not be a mere reading of the paper but should focus on the major issues of your research and in particular on those issues you would like the panel to elaborate on. Your presentation should be no longer than 15 minutes.

Peer review and expert feedback

In addition, each participant is expected to comment on the paper of another participant during the Masterclass. Therefore, each participant will be sent a colleague's paper prior to the Masterclass. After this 'peer-review', other participants are invited and stimulated to ask questions and provide further suggestions or comments. Finally, a Belgian senior researcher, with expertise in the field of the submitted and presented paper, will be invited to thoroughly discuss the subject, issues, etc of your research. This phase will take approximately 30 minutes in total.

Registration

If you are interested in participating in the Leuven Masterclass, please confirm your online attendance as soon as possible by filling out the attached registration form and submitting it to Christof Koolen, one of the representatives for Ius Commune in Leuven (christof.koolen@kuleuven.be). **The deadline for registration is 23 April 2021.**

While completing the registration form, you will notice that you are asked to add some additional information:

- The title of your research project;
- The name of your supervisor(s);
- The starting date of your doctoral research;
- A brief description of your research project;
- The names and contact information of three experts that we can contact for you.

Please make sure to fill out the registration form in a diligent manner, as we rely on the information provided by you to contact your preferred Belgian expert.

As finding the most appropriate experts for your research is a complex and time-consuming task, we would like to urge participants to consider their registration carefully and to check whether they do not have other professional commitments in the same period that would force a cancellation right before the Masterclass.

Best wishes,

The Leuven Ius Commune Delegation

REGISTRATION FORM

Leuven Ius Commune Masterclass 27-28 May 2021

Last Name:

First Name:

University:

Department:

Country:

Mobile phone:

Email:

Title of your research project

Name, university, and department of your supervisor(s)

Starting date of your research project

Description of your research project (max. 200 words)

Suggestion of 3 Belgian experts in the field of your research and their email addresses

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Please send the completed registration form to christof.koolen@kuleuven.be by **23 April 2021**.