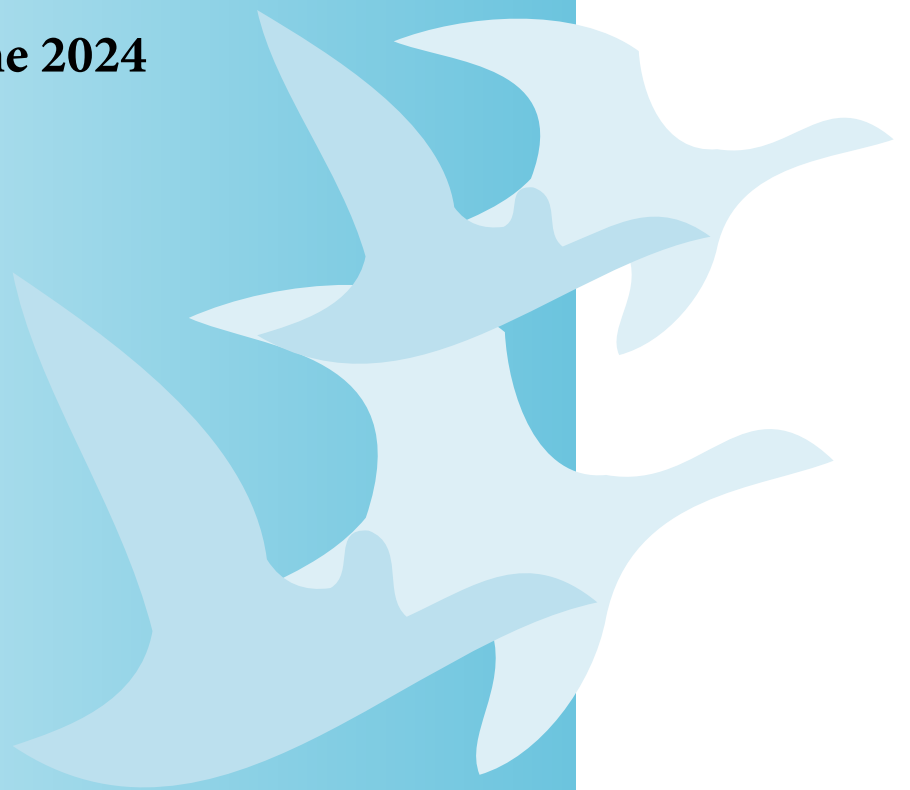




Ius Commune
PhD Training Programme
2023 - 2024

Masterclass Amsterdam
6 June 2024



Goals and organisation of the Ius Commune Leuven Masterclass 2023

This year, the Amsterdam Ius Commune Masterclass for PhD researchers will take place on **Thursday 6 June 2024**. This Masterclass is particularly interesting for PhD researchers in the first and second year of their research.

A focus on research methodology

The Masterclass focuses on research methodology. During the event, you will be given the opportunity to present and discuss the methodological framework of your PhD thesis and related methodological issues or problems that you have encountered during your research. In preparation for the Masterclass, you will be asked to send in a **5 to 10-page paper**, the highlights of which you will present during the Masterclass in a 15-minute presentation. Please note that both your paper and presentation should – at least partly – focus on the methodological aspects of your research.

Feedback will be provided by an expert in your field as well as by your fellow PhD researchers. You will be asked to contact the expert yourself and ensure his/her availability on the date of the Masterclass.

Expert Review & Peer Review

After the presentation, the expert of your choice will be invited to thoroughly discuss the subject, issues, etc. of the research project. After the expert's review, 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' session, other participants are invited and encouraged to ask questions and provide further suggestions or comments. This phase will take approximately 30 minutes in total (15 minutes for the expert and another 15 minutes for the peer-review and other discussions).

Dinner and hotel stay

After the event, you are warmly invited to join for a nice dinner in a restaurant in Amsterdam. We also offer the possibility to make hotel reservations for those of you who travel from Leuven or Maastricht, since it might be difficult for you to travel back after the dinner.

Register no later than **1 March 2024**

If you want to use this opportunity to present your research and receive quality feedback, please confirm your participation by sending an e-mail to Devrim Kroese (d.s.kroese@uva.nl) and Nabil Afham (m.n.a.binmfuad@uva.nl) by **Friday 1 March 2024**. Please include the following information:

- Your name, PhD topic and affiliation
- The working title of your PhD and/or presentation
- A short summary of your subject/research (+- 150-200 words)
- If you would like to join the dinner
- Dietary requirements (also if you don't attend the dinner, as we will be having lunch together).
- If you would like us to make hotel reservations (hotel reservations will only be funded for people from Maastricht and Leuven)
 - In that case, we also need your **date of birth**.

Send in the name of expert and paper no later than **23 May 2024**

Participation in this Masterclass is free for all Ius Commune researchers from the affiliated institutions. If you participate, attendance of the full Masterclass is required. You will be required to find an expert in your field who is available on Thursday 6 June 2024, and supply us with their details by **23 May 2024**. A model invitation you can use to invite experts is enclosed, although you might like to draft your own invitation.

The deadline for the paper is also **Thursday 23 May 2024**. Please send the paper directly to your expert with a copy to d.s.kroese@uva.nl and m.n.a.binmfuad@uva.nl.

We look forward to welcoming you in Amsterdam!