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9th Conference of the Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network of the Society of International Economic Law (PEPA/SIEL) 2020

Jerusalem, 17-19 May, 2020

The conference is organised by the Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network of the Society of International Economic Law (PEPA/SIEL) in collaboration with the International Law Forum and other sponsors at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

SIEL's Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network (PEPA/SIEL) is, among other things, interested in fostering collaboration and mentoring opportunities for emerging academics and professionals in International Economic Law (IEL). PEPA/SIEL fulfils these goals through various activities such as organising conferences at which emerging IEL academics and professionals can present and discuss their research in a supportive and welcoming environment.

We are pleased to announce that the 9th PEPA/SIEL conference will take place on 17-19 May, 2020 at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem Faculty of Law, in Jerusalem.

Call for Papers

This conference offers graduate students (students enrolled in Masters or Ph.D. programmes) and early professionals/academics (generally within five years of graduating) studying or working in the field of IEL, an opportunity to present and discuss their research. It also provides a critical platform where participants can test their ideas about broader issues relating to IEL. One or more senior practitioners or academics will comment on each paper after its presentation, followed by a general discussion. In addition, the conference will include several plenary keynotes and panel sessions

The scope of the conference is broad, and we invite submissions on any IEL topic including, but not limited to:

- Law and practice in international economic governance and international organisations and tribunals such as the World Trade Organization, regional trade agreements and investor-state dispute settlement;

- International trade, investment, development, competition, intellectual property, monetary and financial law, including dispute resolution;
- The interaction of IEL branches with other branches of public policy and law relating to public health, gender, inequality, human rights, environment, sustainable development and food safety;
- Bilateral and regional economic integration and the multilateral trading system;
- Comparative economic law, focusing on how international economic law interacts with laws, institutions and actors at the domestic level;
- Interdisciplinary research incorporating economics, international political economy, history, philosophy, psychology or sociology, as well as empirical methods, both qualitative and quantitative;
- International developments and economic law, which may inter alia, refer to current disputes, ongoing negotiations, 'trade wars', the Appellate Body crisis, ongoing reform of the international investment system, Brexit and the EU, and the Belt Road Initiative.
- Digital trade, international financial regulation, cryptocurrencies, and monetary affairs.
- IEL issues relevant especially to corporations including, but not limited, to supply chains, trade compliance programs, export controls and corruption
- Educating and teaching IEL in turbulent times.

How and when to submit

Submissions should include (1) a CV (no more than 2 pages); (2) an anonymized research abstract (no more than 400 words), to be sent no later than 31 January, 2020 as attachments to pepasiel2020@gmail.com, in a single email, including the submitter's surname in the message title. Papers will be selected based on a double-blind review conducted by members of the Conference Committee. Successful applicants will be notified by 1 March 2020, after which they are expected to submit a conference paper (no more than 4000 words) and an updated abstract, by 15 April 2020, to the same e-mail. Abstracts will be made available online, and papers will be made available to conference speakers and discussants.

General practical information about participating in and attending the Conference

Registration will open on 15 April, 2020. Registration and fee payment will be made online only. The registration fees are expected to be \$US 65 for SIEL Members, and \$US 85 for non-SIEL Members. SIEL Membership details may be found at the SIEL website (www.sielnet.org). The registration fee is projected to cover conference materials, an opening reception, two buffet lunches and coffee breaks.

Successful applicants will be expected to bear the costs of their own travel and accommodation. A limited number of scholarships to cover travel/accommodation expenses for PhD applicants from developing countries facing financial hardship may be available, as well as fee waivers. Applicants for such a scholarship or waiver are kindly invited to add a short letter of no more than 3 paragraphs to their conference application, stating the grounds for their request. Decisions on scholarships and fee waivers will also aim to promote diversity of participation in general and gender diversity in particular.

Should you have any questions regarding application or participation, please feel free to contact pepasiel2020@gmail.com.

Organisers

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