Workshop

Teaching Legal Anthropology: aims and constraints in a changing academic climate in Europe
27 – 28 November 2013

Organiser: Marie-Claire Foblets

Programme

Tuesday, 26 November 2013

19:30 Informal get-together at “Café Zimmer Frei” (Kohlschütterstraße 9, 06114 Halle/Saale)

Wednesday, 27 November 2013

08:30 Registration

Introduction: Why convening this meeting?
Chair: Keebet von Benda-Beckmann (MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)

09:00 Marie-Claire Foblets (MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)
Welcome Address & Introduction to the Workshop

09:20 Rodolfo Sacco (University of Turin)
‘L’importance accordée à l’étude des cultures juridiques dites non occidentales en Italie’
(presentation in French, translation by Marie-Claire Foblets)

10:00 Gordon Woodman (Birmingham Law School)
‘Worlds Apart: How can we enable understanding between Legal Studies and Anthropology?’
Respondent: Prakash Shah (Queen Mary University London)

10:40 Coffee break

11:00 Francis Snyder (Peking University School of Transnational Law, Shenzhen Graduate School)
‘Building Bridges, Comparing Legal Cultures: experiences of anthropology of law in Africa, the EU, the WTO and China’
Respondents: Marie-Bénédicte Dembour (University of Brighton), Prakash Shah (Queen Mary University London)

11:40 Discussion

12:30 Lunch break
Question 1
What is the role of legal anthropology/comparative legal cultures within the training
programme in which you are involved, and how did the subject come to occupy that position
on the curriculum?
Chair of the Panel: Michele Graziadei (University of Turin)

13:45 Gerhard Anders (University of Edinburgh)
‘Legal Anthropology by Any Other Name’

14:00 Yazid Ben Hounet (National Centre for Scientific Research, Paris)
‘Teaching Legal Anthropology at the EHESS, Paris’

14:15 Anthony Bradney (Keele University, Staffordshire)
‘The Failure and Success of Legal Anthropology in the Undergraduate Legal Curriculum in
England’

14:30 Barbara Truffin (Université Libre de Bruxelles)
‘Building Bridges ... between Students? Experiencing Participatory Learning Techniques in
the Field of Legal Anthropology’

14:45 Ulrike Wanitzek (University of Bayreuth)
‘Interdisciplinary Seminars with Students from Law, Social Anthropology and Social
Geography’

15:00 Coffee break

15:30 Armin Höland (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)
‘Teaching Legal Anthropology for Students of Law: some remarks on the role of legal
anthropology and comparative legal cultures in the legal education at the Law Faculty in
Halle’

15:45 René Kuppe (University of Vienna)
‘Teaching Legal Anthropology at different Faculties of the University of Vienna’

16:00 Ashley Terlouw (Radboud University Nijmegen)
‘The Importance of Empirical Research for Legal Practitioners’

16:15 Discussion

17:15 Coffee break
Critical Thinking in the Study of Law in Germany – Part 1  
Chair: André Hoekema (University of Amsterdam)

17:30  **Lorenz Schulz** (University of Frankfurt)  
‘The new Frankfurt Master Programme ‘Legal Theory’ in Cooperation with the European Academy of Legal Theory’  
Respondent: **Mathias Rohe** (Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg)

17:50 Discussion

19:30 Dinner (Restaurant Hohenzollern, Geiststraße 40, 06108 Halle/Saale)

**Thursday, 28 November 2013**

**Question 2**  
What is the focus of your teaching, and how do you structure the subject matter you teach?  
What are the objectives you wish the students to achieve by taking this course?  
Chair of the Panel: **Bertram Turner** (MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)

09:00  **César Arjona** (Center for Transnational Legal Studies, London)  
‘Comparative Legal Cultures at the Center for Transnational Legal Studies’

09:15  **Birgit Bräuchler** (Goethe-University Frankfurt)  
‘Conflict, Peace and Legal Pluralism: legal anthropology as a sub-field and as an aspect of anthropological teaching’

09:30  **Anthony Good** (University of Edinburgh)  
‘Teaching Refugee Law to Anthropologists’

09:45  **Myriam Hunter-Henin** (University College London)  
‘Teaching Comparative Law in Order to Understand Law Itself’

10:00  **Natalya Novikova** (Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow)  
‘Legal Anthropology as a Scientific and Applied Discipline in Russia: experience of teaching’

10:15  **Barbara Oomen** (Utrecht University)  
‘Legal Anthropology in a Liberal Arts Curriculum: lessons from a Dutch university college’

10:30 Coffee break
10:45 Jan Michiel Otto (Leiden University)
‘On the Focus of Our Teaching, and the Structuring of the Subject Matter’

11:00 Wibo von Rossum (Utrecht University School of Law, Erasmus University School of Law)
‘Teaching ‘Legal Cultures’ at Law School’

11:15 Gilda Nicolau (Sorbonne Law School)
‘Comparative Law, Interdisciplinary Studies, Fieldwork: three challenges for the jurists of the laboratory of legal anthropology of Paris (LAJP)’

11:30 Discussion

12.30 Lunch break

Question 3
How do you see the relationship of anthropology and legal studies, and how do you see your teaching fitting into this relationship?
Chair of the Panel: Jan Michiel Otto (Leiden University)

14:00 Isabelle Schulte-Tenckhoff (Graduate Institute, Geneva)
‘Contested Sovereignties, Past and Present: teaching the anthropology of international law’

14:15 Anne Griffiths (University of Edinburgh)
‘Developing Anthropology of Law in a Transnational World’

14:30 Ralf Rogowski (University of Warwick)
‘The Three Waves of Legal Pluralism at Warwick’

14:45 Reetta Toivanen (University of Helsinki)
‘How Would You Know? Prejudices against anthropologists teaching Human Rights’

15:00 Sagit Mor (University of Haifa)
‘Law, Culture, and the Study of Social Change Processes’

15:15 Emmanuel Melissaris (London School of Economics and Political Science)
‘Legal Anthropology, Legal Philosophy and Law in a Social Sciences Institution’

15:30 Coffee break

16:00 Annika Rabo (Stockholm University)
‘Sneaking Legal Anthropology into a Course on Kinship and Religion’
16:15  **André Hoekema** (University of Amsterdam)
‘The Risk(s) of Underestimating Differences’

16:30  **Lucia Bellucci** (University of Milan)
‘Teaching Legal Anthropology in a Global Society: New challenges for law schools’

16:45  **Fernanda Pirie** (University of Oxford)
‘Bringing together Lawyers and Anthropologists at Oxford’

17:00  **Coffee break**

**Critical Thinking in the Study of Law in Germany – Part 2**
*Chair: André Hoekema (University of Amsterdam)*

17:15  **Alexandra Kemmerer** (Rechtskulturen, Berlin)
‘Rechtskulturen: Confrontations beyond Comparison’
*Respondent: Mathias Rohe (Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg)*

17:45  **Werner Gephart** (Käte Hamburger Kolleg ‘Recht als Kultur’, University of Bonn) and
**Marie-Claire Foblets** (MPI für Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)
‘Whither Legal Anthropology: discussion of the future of the discipline’

19:30  **Dinner & Concluding Discussion** (MahnS Chateau, Oleariusstrasse 4a, 06108 Halle/Saale)