Call for Papers: Second Conference for Young Scholars in PIL, 2019

On 4 and 5 April 2019, the second German conference for young scholars in private international law will take place at the University of Würzburg. It builds on the success of the first conference of this kind, which was held in April 2017 at the University of Bonn. The key note will be given by Professor Jürgen Basedow (emeritus director at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law).

The conference theme will be

‘IPR zwischen Tradition und Innovation’

— Private International Law between Tradition and Innovation —

About the theme:

Today, anyone working on questions of private international law finds an area of law that is highly differentiated, shaped by theory, and characterized by a complex network of legal sources. It is up to young scholars in particular to question these structures, mechanisms and methods, which have been consolidated in over a hundred years of academic discourse and legal evolution.

New political, social, and technological developments such as

- migration and growing mobility
- internet and digitalisation
- new family forms and gender identities
- growing importance of collective redress

encourage a fresh look at existing approaches. They challenge established solutions and raise questions as to the relationship between tradition and innovation in private international law.

Further interesting developments can be observed with regard to some of the fundamental principles of international jurisdiction and choice of law; examples include

- neutrality of private international law
- relationship between openness and parochialism (regarding ordre public, lois de police, etc.)
- relationship between party autonomy and protection
- (automatic) recognition of judgments, administrative acts, and legal situations within the EU
- coordination within a multi-layered system of private international law, substantive (uniform) law, (partly) harmonised and entirely domestic approaches
Finally, new challenges arise as a consequence of recent developments regarding the (legal and factual) context and methodology of private international law, including:

- growing internationalisation in academia and practice
- new methods (‘digital humanities’, (behavioural) economics, empirical research)
- changing dynamics within the EU and new aims of the EU legislator
- decreasing importance of the Hague Conference?

We are looking forward to innovative contributions that address the tension between tradition and innovation, continuity and change, that is inherent in the conference theme. The propositions listed above are merely suggestions; they are not supposed to curtail the conference theme in any way. We understand the notion of private international law in a broad sense, including questions of jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement, international arbitration, and loi uniforme.

**Application process:**

Each presentation will take 30 minutes. The conference language is German but we are happy to accommodate individual submissions that are made (and will be presented) in English.

Please send your submissions to ipr-nachwuchstagung@jura.uni-wuerzburg.de by 1 July 2018. They should contain:

- an anonymised abstract of no more than 800 words and
- the completed form that is attached to this document.

We intend to communicate our decision in early October 2018.

All contributions will be published in a conference volume by the German publishing house Mohr Siebeck; as a consequence, we require all contributions to be submitted by 29 March 2019.

Further information can be found on our website www.jura.uni-wuerzburg.de/lehrstuehle/rupp/tagungen/ipr-nachwuchstagung/.

We are looking forward to your submissions!

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Bewerbungsformular (Zweite IPR-Nachwuchstagung)

Application form (Second Conference for Young Scholars in PIL)

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Telefonnummer | phone number

Universität/Institution/Arbeitgeber | university/institution/employer

Position | position

Grad der Deutschkenntnisse | degree of German language skills

Vortragssprache | language of presentation

Titel der Einreichung | title of submission