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The organisers explain: “As part of the legal system, rules of private international law are bound by the principles of their national jurisdiction, but they also open up the national system to foreign rules. Is the claim of deference to the foreign merely an empty phrase or, at best, a working hypothesis, or can it serve as a meaningful guiding principle of private international law? Are there tendencies within or across specific areas of private international law to move away from deference to, and towards a general suspicion against, the foreign? To what extent does (mutual) trust become the basis of deference to the foreign in the process of internationalisation and Europeanisation? What, if any, is the relationship between deference to the foreign and the methods of private international law?

We would like to explore these and many other related questions at the 4th German-speaking Conference for Young Scholars in Private International Law. We are inviting contributions from all areas of private international law, including but not limited to contract and tort law, company law, family and succession law as well as international procedural law, international arbitration and uniform law. The written contributions will be published in an edited conference volume. The conference will be held in German, but English presentations are also welcome. The call for papers will be released in spring 2022 and we expect the submission of abstracts until late summer 2022.

We cordially invite all interested scholars to save the date of the conference. Please feel free to contact us with any questions ([ipr@sfu.ac.at](mailto:ipr@sfu.ac.at)). Further information on the conference is available at <https://tinyurl.com/YoungPIL>.

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