

# **Virtual Workshop (in English) on July 7, 2026: Christopher Whytock on “Conflict of Laws Through a Human Rights Lens”**



On Tuesday, July 7, 2026, the Hamburg Max Planck Institute will host its monthly virtual workshop Current Research in Private International Law at 03:30 p.m. - 05:00 p.m. (CEST).

**Christopher Whytock** (University of California) will speak, **in English**, about the topic

**“Conflict of Laws Through a Human Rights Lens”**

The relationship between human rights and conflict of laws (private international law) is the subject of extensive scholarship in Europe, but almost entirely neglected in the United States. Inspired by European scholarship, this project attempts to extend human rights-oriented analysis to conflict of laws in the United States. It proposes a conceptual framework for understanding the relationship between human rights and conflict of laws in the abstract, applies the framework to conflict of laws in the United States, and offers comparative insights.

The presentation will be followed by open discussion. All are welcome. More information and sign-up [here](#).

If you want to be invited to these events in the future, please write to [veranstaltungen@mpipriv.de](mailto:veranstaltungen@mpipriv.de).