



Amsterdam Centre for Transformative Private Law (ACT)

Exploring the Role of Private Law in the Making of Society and the Processes of Private Law-Making in a diverse World | Newsletter | Issue 8 | May 2022

Dear reader,

It is my great pleasure to share with you the last bit of ACT news. While this installment of the ACT newsletter was supposed to be the first ‘normal’ one, with most of the pandemic measures behind us, there is unfortunately nothing normal about the current times. We hope nonetheless that you will be able to derive some needed inspiration, if not distraction, from this set of ACT news.

Warm regards,

Marija Bartl



Klaas Eller receives a Veni grant from the NWO Talent Programme

How do companies along global supply chains organize compliance with different regulations? How do they translate abstract rules into corporate practice and how can we use these insights to make global supply chains more sustainable? These are questions Klaas Eller wants to answer in his Veni-funded project.

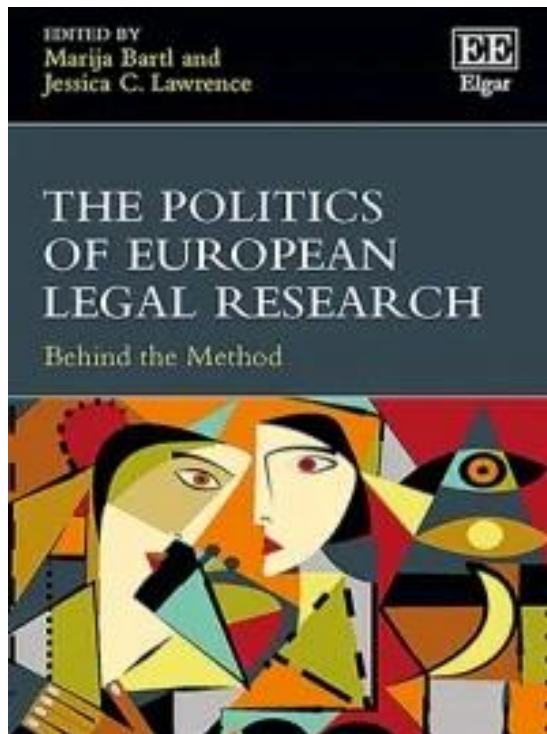
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Laura Burgers is awarded a Rubicon by NWO

Governments have failed miserably in solving the climate crisis. Environmental activists are therefore starting climate lawsuits on behalf of people from other countries, future generations and nature. What can judges learn from each other about adjudicating these cases? Burgers will go to the National University of Singapore to conduct this research.



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Marija Bartl's new book release: The Politics of European Legal Research-Behind the Method

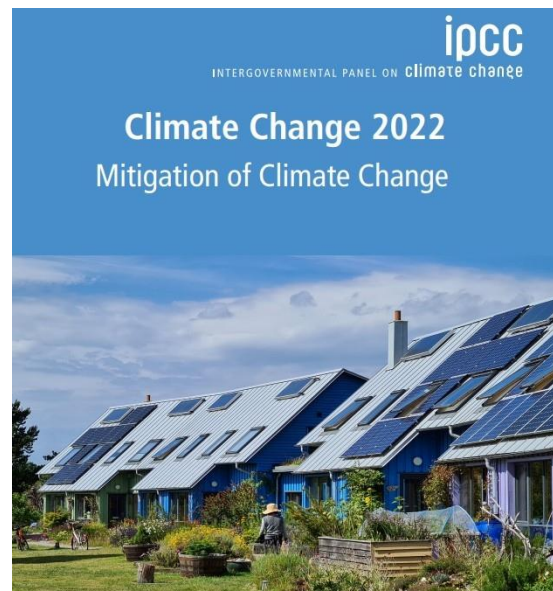
This comprehensive book looks behind different methodologies to explore the institutional, disciplinary, and political conflicts that shape questions of 'method' or 'approach' in European legal scholarship. Offering a new perspective on the underlying politics of method, it identifies four core dimensions of methodological struggle in legal research.

[Continue reading the summary →](#)

Highlights

Laura Burgers cited in the latest IPCC report

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is an intergovernmental body of the United Nations that prepare comprehensive Assessment Reports about knowledge on climate change, its causes, potential impacts and response options. Laura's contributions can be found at pages 2230- 2232.



[Read Laura's citation →](#)



The first issue of the new journal ELO is out!

The European Law Open (ELO) aims to foster a dynamic, critical and contextual approach to European Law in an Open Access format. From now on, every three months the readers can expect a diverse set of long and short articles that feature new perspectives, voices, methodologies and agendas in and for European legal scholarship.

[Read the first issue →](#)

Law & Infrastructure of Global Commerce Conference

This international conference is centered on the Infrastructures of Global Value Chains. The conference is organized by the Universities of Amsterdam, Maastricht, Antwerp, Asser Institute/ U Edinburgh, and TUDelft.

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Investor Sustainability Engagement Conference

The conference is co-organized by the Universities of Amsterdam, Tilburg and Leeds. The conference will include Panels on 'Regulation of Corporate Purpose', 'Corporate Sustainability in the Netherlands', 'Stewardship Reporting and Sustainability Engagement in the Shadow of Voting' and much more!

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ACT External Seminar Series

This Spring, ACT hosted a number of external speakers including:

- Dr. Jeremy Kingsley (Swinburne Law School)
- Prof. Beate Sjøfjell (University of Oslo)
- Prof. Rachel Walsh (Trinity College Dublin)
- Pierre Legrand (École de droit de la Sorbonne)
- Dr. Jill Robbie (University of Glasgow)
- Dr. Paul Verbruggen (Tilburg Law School)
- Discussion on EU Sustainability Due Diligence Directive

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ACT Internal Seminar Series

Many thanks to our ACT colleagues who shared their research during the ACT internal seminars this semester!

- Michael Bakker
- Esin Küçük
- Vladmir Bogoeski
- Antonio Davola
- Klaas Eller
- Laura Burgers & Kenya Pijl
- Marco Loos

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On-line

Transformative Private Law Blog

We identify seven core themes of Transformative Private Law: Sustainability, Digitalization, Social Justice, Finance, Labour, Property, and Theory. In selecting these themes we recognize and aim to reflect that private law plays a transformative role, yet also offers further transformative potential.



[Transformative Private Law Blog →](#)

Featured Researcher



Dr. Jill Robbie

Jill Robbie is a visiting researcher at ACT and a Senior Lecturer in Private Law at the University of Glasgow. Jill's research interest lies within the field of natural resources and sustainability. She is currently investigating the tensions between social justice, economic development and environmental protection in the context of the law regulating land use.

[Read the interview →](#)

Upcoming Events

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[ACT Seminar with dr. Paul Verbruggen](#)

A3.01, 13:00-14:00

Paul Verbruggen is an Associate Professor of Private Law at Tilburg Law School. He is a researcher within the NWO Veniproject *The Constitutionalization of private regulation*, and is concerned with the liability of private actors for their regulatory activities, such as monitoring, sanctioning and setting norms.

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[Investor Sustainability Engagement Conference](#)

University of Amsterdam/Hybrid, 23/06/2022 from 12:00-19:00 & 24/06/2022 from 08:45-17:00

The conference is co-organized by the Universities of Amsterdam, Tilburg and Leeds. The conference will include

Panels on 'Regulation of Corporate Purpose', 'Corporate Sustainability in the Netherlands', 'Stewardship Reporting and Sustainability Engagement in the Shadow of Voting' and much more!

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[4th International Class Action Conference](#)

30/06/2022 from 9.15- 19.45 & 01/07/2022 from 9.00-16.10

The theme of this year's conference is 'From Class Actions to Collective Redress: Access to Justice in the 21st century'. The conference is intended to act as a forum for the sharing of experiences and knowledge.

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[Law and Infrastructure of Global Commerce Conference](#)

7/07/2022-8/07/2022

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[Sustainable Global Economic Law Summer School](#)

Roeterseilandcampus - building A, 18/07/2022 at 09:00

The goal of the summer school is to provide a space for PhD researchers & early career scholars working on law and globalization, to receive feedback on their works-in-progress from peers and UvA faculty members, create a collaborative space around issues of economic law, and ecological and human sustainabilities, connecting local and global contexts.

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[Conference on Regulating Personalization in the European Union](#)

University of Amsterdam, 22/09/2022-23/09/2022

The conference aims to explore practices that illustrate the promises and perils of online personalization as a result of the widespread use of emerging technologies, and to identify

potential regulatory cornerstones to address personalizing techniques.

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[Conference on Sustainable Mobility](#)

27/10/2022- 28/10/2022

ACT members Yannick van den Berg and Candida Leone get ACES and SGEL funding for organizing an interdisciplinary conference on enabling sustainable mobility practices in Europe. The conference will soon be announced at the ACES webpage.

Stay up-to-date!

For more exciting events and details on how to register, keep an eye on our [events page](#)! You can also find updates on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#).

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