



39th Käte Hamburger Lecture

“The Ebb and Flow of Global Governance”

Tuesday 15th December 2020 (17:30-18:30h, CET)

Online Lecture – Access link will be provided after registration for the event

In his Käte Hamburger Lecture Alexandru Grigorescu will question predominant conceptualizations of global institutions and their linkage to the evolution and changes of global governance as a whole.

In almost all of the global governance literature, it is assumed that the distinction between intergovernmental and nongovernmental actors is clear-cut, consequential, and self-evident. Yet, as constant changes in the architecture of global governance have occurred over the past century and a half, the corresponding international institutions and regulatory bodies may be better understood when assessed on an “intergovernmental-nongovernmental continuum”. By overcoming the conventional dichotomous classification and focusing on a continuum perspective instead, Grigorescu argues that we can better conceive of the many subtleties characterizing global governance in different issue areas. By looking at global health, labor, and technical standards regimes, he suggests that the link between domestic and global preferences of the most powerful states serves to best explain the variation in global governance arrangements across different policy fields over time.

Programme

17:20-17:30 Sign in to online video platform

17:30-17:35 Welcoming and introductory remarks:

Dr Katja Freistein

Senior Researcher and Research Group Leader at the Centre for Global Cooperation Research, University of Duisburg-Essen (UDE)

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Dr Alexandru Grigorescu

Professor of Political Science and Chair at the Political Science Department, Loyola University Chicago

18:00-18:10 Comments by discussant

Discussant: **Dr Jens Steffek**

Professor of Transnational Governance at the Technical University of Darmstadt

Moderator: **Dr Katja Freistein**

18:10–18:30 Q&A with the audience

18:30 Concluding remarks and end of the lecture