Cutting Edge or Dead End?
Empirical Research in International Law

InHouse & Guest Workshop

6th – 7th December 2016, Duisburg, Germany

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Programme

**Tuesday, 6th December 2016**

17:00  Welcome Remarks and Keynote  
Setting the Stage: Empirical research – promises and open questions  
  Thilo Marauhn / Christian J. Tams

**Wednesday, 7th December 2016**

09:00  Panel 1  
What Does It Take To Do Empirical Research in International Law?  
  Panellists: Joseph Conti / Wolfgang Alschner

10:30  Coffee Break

10:45  Panel 2  
Testing Empiricism (Part I): Making Sense of vaguely worded commitments – the 2015 Paris Agreement  
  Panellists: Lisbeth Zimmermann / Thilo Marauhn

12:15  Lunch Break

13:15  Panel 3  
Testing Empiricism (Part II): Understanding the contributions of international courts and tribunals – the ICJ’s 2014 Whaling judgment  
  Panellists: Aletta Mondré / Christian J. Tams

14:45  Coffee Break

15:00  Panel 4  
Empirical Research in International Law: promise and limits  
  Panellists: Jutta Brunnée / Lauge Poulsen

16:30  Concluding Remarks

ca. 17:00  End of Workshop

Following the input of the panellists, each session will be followed by comments of the discussants.
List of Discussants

Wolfgang Alschner, Universität Bern / World Trade Institute
Markus Böckenförde, Universität Duisburg-Essen / Käte Hamburger Kolleg
Jean d’Aspremont, University of Manchester
Dorte Hühnert, Universität Duisburg-Essen
Ins Oeßelmann, Universität Gießen
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