

Laureate Program in Comparative
Constitutional Law

Cities in Federal Theory Workshop

Thursday & Friday
20 & 21 June 2019

Woodward Centre, Level 10
Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne
185 Pelham Street Carlton, Victoria, Australia

Program at 18 June 2019

Thursday 20 June 2019

8:30 – 9:00 Registration and coffee

9:00 – 9:15 **Welcoming remarks.** Dr. Erika Arban & Professor Adrienne Stone

9:15 – 12:30 **Introductory Panel**

9:15 – 9:45 **Overview.** Professor Richard Schragger (via Zoom)

9:45 – 10:15 **Urbanization, megacities, constitutional silence.** Professor Ran Hirschl

10:15 – 11:00 Discussion

11:00 – 11:30 Morning tea

11:30 – 12:30 **City speech.** Professor Yishai Blank

Discussion

12:30 – 12:45 Group photo

12:45 – 1:30 Lunch

1:30 – 2:30 **Panel 1 – Africa.**

Intergovernmental relations, divided societies and capital cities: The case of the Ethiopian capital. Associate Professor Yonatan Fessha

Commentator: Dr. Tom Daly

2:30 – 3:30 **Panel 2 – United Kingdom**

The constitutional position of the English city: localism, quasi-federalism and democracy. Dr. John Stanton

Commentator: Dr. Scott Stephenson

3:30 – 4:00 Afternoon Tea

4:00 – 5:30 **Panel 3 – Argentina & India**

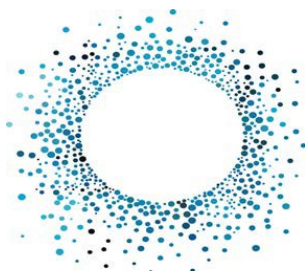
Municipal regime and the autonomous city of Buenos Aires in Argentina.

Professor Antonio Hernandez

Unpacking ‘local self-government’: the incomplete power of cities in India’s constitutional scheme. Mr. Mathew Idiculla

Commentator: Associate Professor Tarun Khaitan

5:30 pm Drinks. Bar area. Woodward Centre



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Theories of federalism and Canadian cities. Professor Hoi Kong

Operative subsidiarity and municipal authority: The case of Toronto's ward boundaries. Dr. Alexandra Flynn

Commentator: Professor Michael Crommelin

10:30 - 11:00 Morning Tea

11:00 - 12:30 Panel 5 – Europe

European cities between self-government and subordination: their role as policy-takers and policy-makers. Ms. Annika Kress

The legal concept of cities in Swiss federalism. Mr. Florian Bergamin

Commentator: Dr. Maria Cahill

12:30 – 1:30 Lunch

1:30 – 3:30 Panel 6 – United States

The federal benefits of urbanizing criminal law reform. Dr. William Partlett

State-local conflicts and pre-emption. Professor Richard Briffault

Data and cities. Dr. Bilyana Petkova (via Zoom)

Commentator: Professor Cheryl Saunders

3:30 – 4:00 Afternoon Tea

4:00 – 5:00 Panel 7 – Australia

The Australian model of metropolitan governance. Muddling through or just a muddle? Professor Graham Sansom

Commentator: Dr. Rebecca Nelson

5:00 – 5:30 *Closing Remarks.* Dr. Erika Arban & Professor Adrienne Stone

6:30 Dinner at University Cafe, 257 Lygon Street, Carlton. (Booking Name: Erika Arban)