

CALL FOR PAPERS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**ATHENS, GREECE
JUNE 11 - 14, 2014**



THE RULE OF LAW IN AN ERA OF CHANGE: SECURITY, SOCIAL JUSTICE AND INCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE

John Jay College of Criminal Justice of the City University of New York, in collaboration with the Center for Security Studies (KEMEA) at the Greek Ministry of Public Order and Citizen Protection, will host its 11th Biennial International Conference in Athens, Greece, from June 11 to June 14, 2014. The theme of the conference is **The Rule of Law in an Era of Change: Security, Social Justice and Inclusive Governance**.

The array of political, social and economic transformations before us poses critical challenges to individual and collective welfare. While a consensus has yet to emerge from the ongoing global debates on how to address these challenges, there is a growing realization that our collective responses must be guided by the rule of law. The many controversies surrounding the rule of law's content, reach and use notwithstanding, it does constitute, as a recent United Nations resolution noted, the basis "on which just and fair societies are built." In the context of the severe social and economic stress currently experienced by many societies, it is imperative to reaffirm the importance of accountability for all to fair and equitable laws, and entitlement for all to equal protection of the law, so as to ensure inclusive social orders and enhance the prospects for social justice. This conference will provide an interdisciplinary forum for scholars, government officials, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, and civic leaders to critically discuss current rule of law-related research, policies and practices, explore ways of strengthening the rule of law in all forms of governance, and engage with pressing demands for social justice. It is the expectation of the organizers that several publications (books and/or special issues of scholarly journals) will result from the conference.

Proposals for papers may address a broad range of issues including, but not limited, to:

- Philosophical perspectives on the rule of law
- Gender-based approaches to the rule of law
- International law enforcement cooperation
- Transitional justice and its challenges
- Training of law enforcement and judicial officers
- Post-conflict peace building in divided societies
- Substantive and procedural aspects of criminal justice systems
- International crimes and tribunals
- International human rights and international humanitarian law
- Plural legal orders
- Migration and border security
- Terrorism and counter-terrorism
- Comparative perspectives on the adjudication and reintegration of offenders
- Transnational organized crime and criminal networks
- International and comparative perspectives on juvenile justice
- Capital punishment
- NGOs, social movements and the quest for social justice
- Critical race theory
- Literary representations of justice and the rule of law
- The body and the rule of law
- Psychology, mental health and public policy
- Privatization of state functions and its legal/social/economic implications
- Corruption
- Non-traditional threats and social order
- Environmental justice
- International financial institutions and accountability

Paper and panel proposals that address these and other issues are welcome from all disciplines in the social sciences, humanities and natural sciences. Please [submit your paper abstract](http://www.ijav.cuny.edu/ic/submit) (500 word limit) or panel proposal (750 word limit) to

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