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## WORKSHOP ON: "Informality and Judicial Institutions: Comparative Perspectives"

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21 - 22 July 2022

### Final Programme

Meeting room: Karl Renner & Achille Loria (1st floor)

#### 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**21:00** Welcome reception [Residencia Antia, first floor]

#### 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

**10:00-11:00** Part 1: Introduction

*Chair:* Bjoern Dressel

10:00-10:15	Introduction to the Workshop	Bjoern Dressel, ANU;
10:15-11:00	Informality, Institutions, and Relations: The General Framework	Raul Sanchez-Urribarri, La Trobe; Alexander Stroh-Steckelberg, UBT

**11:00-11:15** Coffee Break [Gurvitch & Galdos room]

**11:15-11:30** Presentation of IISL Publication Venues by Leire Kortabarria,  
IISL Publication Officer

**11:30-13:15** Part 2: Professional Ties of Lawyers and Judges

*Chair:* Raul Sanchez-Urribarri

11:30-11:50	Lawyers without Law	Julio Rios-Figueroa and Andrea Pozas-Loyo; UNAM
11:50-12:10	Gender, Informality, and Judicial Institutions	David Kosar, Masaryk University
12:10-12:30	The Learning Judge	Maartje de Visser, Singapore Management University
12:30-13:15	<i>Discussion</i>	

**13:15-14:30** Lunch Break [Cantina Zapore]

## **21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 (continuation)**

### **14:45-16:30 Part 3: Appointments**

*Chair:* Bjoern Dressel

14:45-15:05	Informality and Multi-level Appointment Processes	Alexander Stroh-Steckelberg and Diana Kisakye, University of Bayreuth
15:05-15:25	Education vs. Experience? Assessing the Impact on Federal Judges	Kirk Randazzo and Abigail Hassett, University of South Carolina
15:25-15:45	When Informal Ties Protect Fragile Independence	Peter Brett, Queen Mary University of London
15:45-16:30	<i>Discussion</i>	

### **16:30-16:45 Break**

### **16:45-17:30 Part 4: Methodology**

*Chair:* Bjoern Dressel

16:45-17:30	Conversations about the methodological implications of a relational approach	
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20:00 Cena/Dinner (Tentative: <https://www.hoteltorrezumeltzegi.com/EN/restaurant.html>)

*Please contact the Convenors for any special dietary requirements*

## **22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022**

### **09:45-11:00 Part 5: Decision-making & Effectiveness**

*Chair:* Raul Sanchez-Urribarri

9:45-10:05	Judicial Networks and Judicial Decision-making	Bjoern Dressel, Australian National University
10:05-10:25	Social Networks and Compliance with Judicial Rulings	Shai Dothan, iCourts, University of Copenhagen
10:25-11:00	<i>Discussion</i>	

### **11:00-11:15 Coffee Break [Gurvitch & Galdos room]**

### **11:15-13:00 Part 6: Politicization & Independence (I)**

*Chair:* Alexander Stroh-Steckelberg

11:15-11:35	Informal Rules, Courts, and Regime Support	Daniel Brinks, University of Texas at Austin
11:35-11:55	Good Intentions, Questionable Advice	Linn Hammergren
11:55-12:15	Clientelist Structure and Judicial Control in Autocracies	Alexei Trochev, Nazarbayev University
12:15-13:00	<i>Discussion</i>	

### **13:00-14:30 Lunch Break [Cantina Zapore]**

## **22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 (continuation)**

**14:45-16:00**            **Part 7: Politicization & Independence (II)**

*Chair:* Bjoern Dressel

14:45-15:05	Institutional Proximity and Judicial Corruption: A Spatial Approach	Sida Liu, University of Toronto, and Juan Wang, McGill University
15:05-15:25	The Shield and the Sword of Informality	Katarina Sipulova, Masaryk University
15:25-15:45	Judicial Loyalties and Judicial Power	Raul Sanchez-Urribarri, La Trobe
15:45-16:30	<i>Discussion</i>	

**16:30-16:45**            **Break**

**16:45-17:45**            **Final Discussion, Conclusion and Publication Prospects**

*Chair:* Raul Sanchez Urribarri