Registration

Please send a message, before November 15, to:

legalprofession.december3@gmail.com

Name: …
Institution: …
Address: …
Will you attend the lunch: yes / no

ENS Cachan

Take the RER B up to Station Bagneux. Exit Bagneux and take Avenue du Pont-Royal to Avenue Chateaubriand. ENS is at the end of Avenue Chateaubriand. Enter campus and turn left to the Pavillon des Jardins.

Prendre le RER B jusqu’à la station Bagneux. À la station Bagneux, prendre l’avenue du Pont-Royal. Au rond-point prendre la deuxième rue à droite, avenue Chateaubriand. L’ENS se trouve en bas de cette avenue. Dans le campus, prendre sur la gauche jusqu’au Pavillon des Jardins.

Workshop on the Legal Profession
Organization, Career Paths, and Ethical Issues

Tuesday December 3, 2013

Ecole normale supérieure de Cachan
61 Avenue du Président Wilson, Cachan
Salle des conférences, Pavillon des Jardins

Scientific committee: Benoit Bastard (ISP, Cachan), Christian Bessy (IDHE Cachan), Gabriele Plickert (American Bar Foundation, Chicago)
The legal profession is experiencing profound transformations in its composition, organization, and activities. The increase in the number of lawyers and the feminization of the profession has entirely changed the configuration of the profession and the enrollment of its members. More generally globalization, internationalization of legal markets, and the speeding of legislative process/output, have made the normative universe in which lawyers evolve more complex. They have had to transform their activity to make it more efficient in order to keep their place in a more competitive context and to meet the new standards for transparency and accountability. These significant changes vary by cultural contexts and the structure of the legal profession in each country.

This one day workshop will address three broad themes that take place in the contemporary legal profession. Researchers will present recent and ongoing work by exploring an array of comparative and international perspectives. The aim of this workshop is to facilitate a dialogue on these current changes in the legal profession and to discuss potential next steps of building a comparative framework for additional collaborative work on the legal profession.

9:30 am
Welcome address – Pierre-Paul Zalio, president of ENS de Cachan

9:45 am
Theme 1: The law and legal process as part of organizations and institutions – a macro-level approach
Chairperson: Lucien Karpik
Christian Bessy (IDHE, ENS Cachan), “Organisation, training and recruitment of lawyers”
Mao Lin (ISP, ENS Cachan), “The role of public interest lawyers in China: cause lawyers or merchant of law?”
Discussant: Sigrid Quack, Max Planck Institute, Köln

11:30 am
Theme 2: The law and legal process within the profession – a micro-level approach
Discussant: Emmanuel Lazega, CSO, Science Po, Paris

1:pm
Lunch

2:00 pm
Theme 3: The legal process within ethics - a micro and macro-level approach
Chairperson: Olivier Favereau
Lynn Mather (State University of New York at Buffalo): Presentation of Lawyers in Practice: Ethical Decision Making in Context
Anne Boigeol, Benoit Bastard (ISP, ENS Cachan), “Issues of discipline at the Paris bar. A tentative approach”

Discussion

4:30pm
Cocktail