**SLSA PGRs and ECRs**

**NETWORKING SCHEME**

In order to facilitate relationships between early career researchers (ECRs) and Postgraduate Research students (PGRs), we have ECR volunteers present at each coffee break, ready to pass on wisdom about the end of the PhD process, the thesis defence, academic publishing, job hunting, their specific research fields, and anything else. You can find their table on the Mezzanine, and they will be wearing name badges with stickers throughout the conference. Drop by, say hello, and make some contacts!

**Break 1: Tues 27th March, 15:00 – 15:30**

* Emma Patchett (epatch77@icloud.com)

Emma’s research interests focus on the relationship between law, spatial imaginaries and migration. After obtaining her PhD, she completed an international fellowship at the Käte Hamburger Kolleg in Bonn, and has recently published *Spacing (in) Diaspora: Law, Literature and the Roma*(De Gruyter, 2017), and co-edited *Spatial Justice and Diaspora*with Sarah Keenan (CounterPress, 2017).

* Alan Brown, Abertay University (a.brown@abertay.ac.uk)

Alan’s research interests are in family law. Specifically, he focuses on the construction of parenthood within law, particularly in the context of non-traditional families, assisted reproduction and surrogacy. Alan recently obtained his PhD from the University of Strathclyde, and has taken up a lectureship at Abertay University, whilst preparing a monograph based on his doctoral research.

* Inga Thiemann, University of Exeter (I.K.Thiemann@exeter.ac.uk)

Inga’s research interests incorporate a variety of issues related to sex work, human trafficking and exploitative labour. Her socio-legal work investigates the impact of regulatory, abolitionist and ‘Nordic model’ approaches to sex work on the experiences of workers in Germany and the UK. She successfully obtained her PhD from UCL, before taking up research fellowships at St Mary’s University London and the University of Bristol. She is now a lecturer at the University of Exeter.

**Break 2: Wed 28th March, 10:30 – 11:00**

* Roxanna Dehaghani, Cardiff University (fatemi-dehaghanir@cardiff.ac.uk)

Roxanna’s research interests concern the intersection between mental health, criminal justice (policing), and the notion of vulnerability within the law. Roxanna has recently obtained her PhD, and following her first lectureship at Leicester law school, has now taken up a position as a lecturer at Cardiff University,

* Lynsey Mitchell, Leeds Beckett University (Lynsey.Mitchell@leedsbeckett.ac.uk)

Lynsey’s research interests focus on human rights and feminist understandings of conflict. She successfully defended her PhD in 2016, and this research explored the justifications for the war in Afghanistan, using feminist critical approaches. Since she obtained her doctorate, Lynsey has been appointed as a lecturer at Leeds Beckett University, where she is pursuing these interests further.

* Chris Dietz, University of Leeds (c.p.dietz@leeds.ac.uk)

Chris’ research considers possible alternatives to the UK Gender Recognition Act 2004. Drawing upon empirical research conducted in Denmark, Chris’ PhD thesis (which he successfully defended in March 2017) explored the limitations of the so-called ‘self-declaration model’ of legal gender recognition by assessing how jurisdiction is arranged in the regulation of legal gender status. This year, he has taken up a lectureship at the Centre for Law and Social Justice, based in the University of Leeds law school.

**Break 3: Wed 28th March, 16:00 – 16:45**

* Ashley Rogers, University of Stirling (student) & Abertay University (lecturer) (a.rogers@abertay.ac.uk)

Ashley’s interests centre on women’s rights, legal transitions and human rights more broadly. She submitted her PhD in August 2016 and successfully passed her Viva in December 2016, at the University of Stirling. Ashley’s PhD used a legal consciousness framework to explore women’s rights and subjectivities in relation to new gender-based violence law in Bolivia.. In October 2017 she was appointed as an Early Career Lecturer in Criminology at the University of Abertay Dundee. She will graduate from Stirling in June 2018.

* Tracy Kirk, University of Leeds (T.Kirk1@leeds.ac.uk)

Tracy’s research interests are strongly interdisciplinary, and focus on children’s rights, capacity, and autonomy. She is currently approaching the end of her PhD at Northumbria Law School, and this year, has recently taken up a post as a teaching fellow at the University of Leeds law school.

* Eghosa Ekhator, University of Chester (e.ekhator@chester.ac.uk)

Eghosa’s research interests focus on environmental justice in developing countries, and the regulation of multi-national corporations. He obtained his PhD from the University of Hull in April 2015, and following contributing to both undergraduate and postgraduate teaching there, is now a lecturer in law at the University of Chester.

**Break 4: Thurs 29th March, 11:30 – 12:00**

* Samantha Fairclough, University of Birmingham (s.fairclough@bham.ac.uk)

Sam’s current research centres on the treatment of the vulnerable in Crown court trials, specifically at the point of giving evidence in court. More generally, her research interests lie in the fields of criminal evidence and criminal justice, and specifically on the way in which the defendant is treated versus other participants in criminal trials. She recently obtained her PhD from Birmingham, and took up a lectureship this academic year at Birmingham Law School.

* Bianca Hanuz, University of Liverpool (b.g.hanuz@liverpool.ac.uk)

Bianca’s research interests focus on intellectual property law. Her current work discusses the problems surrounding online copyright enforcement. She is currently approaching the end of her doctoral research on this topic, and is employed as a Graduate Teaching Assistant at the University of Liverpool law school.