Thursday 24 September 2015

Registration/Lunch (12-12.30)

Welcome 12.30

Session 1 12-30-2.30 - Complexity and human rights

Sionaidh Douglas-Scott (Oxford), ‘Complexity theory and human rights’

David McGrogan (Northumbria), ‘Human Rights Outcomes in Complexity and the Problem of Causation’

Dimitrios Tsarapatsanis (Sheffield), ‘The ‘Consensus Approach’ of the ECtHR as a Rational Response to Complexity: Taming Uncertainty through Collective Intelligence’

Steven Wheatley (Lancaster), ‘The history of human rights: insights from complexity theory’

Coffee (2.30-2.45)

Session 2 2.45-3.45 - Complexity and conflict resolution

Anna Marie Brennan (Liverpool), ‘Prosecuting Transnational Terrorist Groups before the International Criminal Court: How Complexity Theory Can Explain the Accountability Gap’

Sylvia Walby (Lancaster), ‘Complexity and the ending of violence’

Session 3 3.45 – 4.45 - Complexity and chaos

Lucy Finchett-Maddock (Sussex, UK), ‘Speculative Entropy: The Beauty of Time, Chaos and the Unknown in Environmental Law’

Saskia Vermeylen (Lancaster), ‘The invasion of chaos theory in space law’

Coffee (4.45-5)
5 – 6.30 **Keynote Lecture**

JB Ruhl (Vanderbilt, USA), ‘Complexity Theory and Law – Where are we and where must we go?’

7 **Conference Dinner** – Lancaster House Hotel

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**Friday 25 September 2015**

**Session 4 9.30-11 - Complexity and Politics**

Robert Geyer (Lancaster), ‘The politics of complexity’

Paul Cairney – ‘How does ‘complexity thinking’ improve our understanding of politics and policymaking?’

David Large (Northumbria), ‘We the People: Towards Complexity-Informed Community Governance’

Coffee (11-11.15)

**Session 5 11-15-12.45 - Complexity and regulation**

Michael Leach, (Oxford, Hertford College), Rethinking Legal Transplantation as a Complex Legal Phenomenon.

Xiao Li (City University of Hong Kong), ‘An Adaptive Capacity Enhancement Model of Corporate Governance’

Jamie Murray (Lancaster), ‘Complexity and global finance’

Lunch 12.45-1.30

**Session 6 1.30-2.30 - Complexity and Public Policy Administration**

Neville Harris (Manchester), ‘Complexity: Knowing it, measuring it, tolerating it?’

Tom Webb (Lancaster), ‘Complexity and Vulnerability in Administrative Decision-Making’

Coffee 2.30-2.45

**Plenary 2.45-3.30 - The future(s) of complexity theory in law?**