



The Empirical Legal Studies Lab @Leiden is organizing a new series of sessions, for researchers interested in empirical legal research. Are you looking to learn more about empirical methods and/or engage in lively discussions on ELS? Join the upcoming ELS lab meetings!

Ranging from the informal Lunch & Learn to more in-depth paper discussions, the ELS lab meetings cover a wide range of empirical research methods and ELS-related topics. We offer a possibility to learn about each other's research and experience, test out ideas and receive feedback on work in progress. You're welcome to join, regardless of your degree of experience with ELS.

Our upcoming sessions are below. To sign up, accept the outlook invite or send an email to Kimia Heidary: k.heidary@law.leidenuniv.nl or Sarah Vandenbroucke: s.e.m.vandenbroucke@law.leidenuniv.nl.

Date	Session
25 November 2022 15:15 - 17:00	Lecture Topic: Quantitative and qualitative research on effectiveness of supply chain managements by Jaap Baaij
9 December 2022 15:15 - 17:00	Journal Club Topic: Perspectives on transnational auditing to assess compliance by Phillip Paiement
13 January 2023 12:00-13:00	Lunch & Learn Topic: "How to measure compliance with a norm?" with Gitta Veldt and Lisa Ansems

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Lecture (Hybrid)

25 November 15:15 - 17:00

Where C.022 KOG and Online

Topic **Quantitative and qualitative research on effectiveness of supply chain managements by Jaap Baaij**

During this lecture, Jaap Baaij (Utrecht University) will talk about the role of commercial contracts in making global trade chains more sustainable, reviewing findings from existing empirical studies, and outlining the kind of empirical legal research that is needed still.

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Journal Club

9 December 15:15 - 17:00

Journal Clubs are sessions in which we discuss empirical legal articles, focusing on the methodology used in the paper and the lessons that can be learned.

Where C.022 KOG and online

Topic **Perspectives on transnational auditing to assess compliance by Phillip Paiement**

Auditing is a common way of evaluating an organization's compliance to laws, norms or codes of behavior, and is especially used in the private sector by companies. During this Journal Club, we will discuss the use of audits to assess compliance with norms, drawing conclusions from the context of corporate transnational audits in global supply chains. Phillip Paiement (Tilburg University) will present his critical approach on transnational audits, on the basis of his recent paper "Transnational auditors, local workplaces and the law".

Paper Phillip Paiement (2021) Transnational auditors, local workplaces and the law, *Transnational Legal Theory*, 12:3, 390-414
<https://doi.org/10.1080/20414005.2021.2008763>

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Lunch & Learn

13 January 12:00 - 13:00

Lunch & Learns are informal, interactive sessions where we discuss a statement relating to an ELS-themed topic. It is an opportunity to share your opinion and experiences with regard to doing empirical legal research and to learn from peers.

Join us for this informal session; everyone is welcome to share their opinions, no matter your level of expertise.

Where **The Global Lounge Area, JuCa, KOG only**

Topic **“How to measure compliance with a norm?” with Gitta Veldt and Lisa Ansems**

In order for norms to be effective, it is important that they are complied with by the entities (such as citizens and businesses) they target. In this Lunch & Learn, we will discuss how empirical legal scholars measure compliance and the challenges this may entail. Are you trying to assess whether a law has a positive effect on society? Then this Lunch & Learn is for you. Come with your research ideas and questions to discuss this informally, with the helpful guidance of Gitta Veldt and Lisa Ansems.

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