

**THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW
INTERNATIONAL LAW AND SOCIAL SCIENCES INTEREST
GROUP**

IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE ITS FIRST

**BIENNIAL CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL LAW AND THE SOCIAL
SCIENCES**

September 27–28, 2024

TO BE HELD AT
**NORTHWESTERN PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW
IN CHICAGO ILLINOIS**

CALL FOR PAPER PROPOSALS

The conference will include:

- Academic paper presentations drawn from an open call for papers
- Invited papers and keynote speakers
- Possible Poster Session Organized Around Drinks and Appetizers
- Social events including an off-site Chicago-based activity

I. Overall Concept and Theme

Theme: Building New Interdisciplinary Networks

Northwestern will host the inaugural International Law and Social Sciences (ILASS) biennial work-in-progress workshop September 27-28, 2024. Researchers from a range of disciplines will present work-in-progress research on international law topics. Subsequent biennial workshops may have themes. For now our goal is to begin building new networks that bridge social sciences and the study of international law.

ASIL membership is not necessary to join ILASS events. The network we seek to build will include faculty and visiting researchers from law and social science departments, doctoral (Phd) students, post-doctoral researchers, visiting assistant professors, full-time researchers, scholars who are working in practice, and institute or think-tank fellows. Scholars from the disciplines of law, history, political science, economics, anthropology and sociology who study international law topics are encouraged to apply and to attend our events. The ILASS interest group is also hosting an on-line speaker series, and

we will host off-site social events at the ASIL annual and mid year meetings.

II. Unpublished Paper and Panel Proposal Submission

The **deadline** for submissions is **April 15, 2024**. Submissions are collected via a google form (<https://forms.gle/HDfxEJCjedomrFBC6>). All work must be unpublished and in progress. Draft papers will be posted on a protected website. Papers will be due September 1.

Submissions will be peer- reviewed with decisions issued in early June. Our goal is to accommodate as many papers as we can. Depending on demand, we may create a poster-session opportunity.

Unfortunately we do not have the capacity to process visa requests, or to issue visa letter invitations. Participants who may need a visa to enter the United States must make their own arrangements.

Paper submissions- via google form: <https://forms.gle/HDfxEJCjedomrFBC6>

You will be asked to submit an abstract of no more than 500 words and confirm that the paper will not be published before the conference. You will also be asked to provide a short biography that includes your current affiliation, job title, and a short description of your background and interests.

Panels: May or may not be comprised of papers

The panel organizer should submit via email a proposal of no more than 1500 words that explains the approach, anticipated content and format of the panel, and proposed speakers with their affiliation and their field(s) of expertise. Panels do not necessarily require papers.

We ask the panel organizer, or the panelists, to also complete the google form as this is how we collect emails and demographic information: <https://forms.gle/HDfxEJCjedomrFBC6>.

Please note that panel proposals may be combined or amended by the conference organizers to take into account the range of submissions.

III. Conference Details

The conference will take place at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law on September 27–28, 2024.

The registration fee is expected to be no more than \$150. The fee will cover lunches, coffee breaks and a reception.

Please understand that budget constraints prevent us from providing travel or other financial assistance to conference participants.

We hope to see you in Chicago!

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