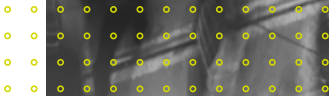




**ACADEMIC
WORKSHOP**

SEPTEMBER 23-24,
2022

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**RETHINKING
THE SOCIAL
ENVIRONMENT
IN CRIMINAL
LAW THEORY
AND DOCTRINE**
INTERDISCIPLINARY
PERSPECTIVES



This workshop aims to discuss the potential relevance of adverse socio-environmental factors under theories and doctrines of criminal responsibility. For the purposes of the workshop, adverse socio-environmental conditions include past and ongoing adverse socio-environmental conditions, such as extreme socio-economic deprivation, chronic exposure to violence, physical and psychological abuse, and social isolation.

Leading scholars from Europe and the United States will discuss and confront their views on the following issues:

- 1. (To what extent) should adverse socio-environmental conditions receive excusing weight in culpability determinations?**
- 2. Are current culpability doctrines suitable to accommodate socio-environmental factors?**
- 3. Should the criminal law provide for an explicit socio-environmental excuse doctrine (either total or partial)?**
- 4. What normative arguments and justifications support, or run against, the provision of a socio-environmental excuse/defense?**
- 5. How can science contribute to the provision of such an excuse/defense?**
- 6. How could such an excuse “translate” into a defense in criminal trials (e.g., how could such a defense be formulated? What kind of evidence would have to be provided)?**
- 7. What kind of implications would the inclusion of the “socio-environmental background” in culpability determinations carry for punishment and criminal policy?**

The workshop will confront these issues under interdisciplinary, theoretical, and doctrinal perspectives. It will culminate in a roundtable discussion about the procedural and policy implications of a hypothetical socio-contextual model of criminal law.

Program



DAY 1 – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2022

MORNING SESSION

9:30 – 10:00 AM

Registration and Breakfast

10:00 – 10:15 AM

Institutional Greetings and Introduction

Tatjana Hörnle, Max Planck Institute

10:15 – 11:45 AM

Keynote Lecture

Craig Haney, University of California, Santa Cruz

11:45 AM – 1:00 PM

Lunch Break

1:00 – 1:45 PM

Max Planck Institute Library Tour

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:45 – 3:15 PM

Panel n. 1

Tatjana Hörnle, Max Planck Institute

Antje Du Bois-Pedain, University of Cambridge

Jesús Maria Silva Sanchez, Pompeu Fabra University

3:15 – 3:30 PM

Coffee Break

3:30 – 5:00 PM

Panel n. 2

Federica Coppola, Max Planck Institute

Alice Ristroph, Brooklyn Law School

Alan Norrie, University of Warwick Law School

7:00 PM

Dinner in Freiburg

PROGRAM

DAY 2 – SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

MORNING SESSION

9:30 – 10:00 AM

Breakfast

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Roundtable: Procedural and Criminal Policy Implications

Speakers/Discussants:

Deborah Denno, Fordham Law School

Thomas Grosse-Wilde, University of Bonn, Faculty of Law

12:00 – 12:15 PM

Closing Remarks

Organization

TIME: Sep 23–24, 2022

LOCATION: Freiburg – via Zoom

HOST: Max Planck Institute for the Study
of Crime, Security and Law

REGISTRATION: RSVP is required. Please send an email to strafrecht.workshop@cs.l.mpg.de with your name, affiliation, and email address. Zoom details will be sent to you in due course.

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