



PROGRAMME

**Protestant missionaries and legal dynamics  
in the British Empire**

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

20-21 June 2024 | mpilht | Matilde Cazzola & Alicia Haripershad

**Thursday, 20 June 2024**

**13:00–13:30** Welcome and registration

**13:30–13:45** Introduction

Alicia Haripershad and Matilde Cazzola (mpilht)

**13:45–15:15** **Panel 1: Legalities and lawlessness in in-between colonial spaces**

Chair: Matilde Cazzola (mpilht)

Elizabeth Elbourne (McGill University), *Missionaries, commandoes and legal ambivalence in early 19th-century Southern Africa: missionary attempts to create rules of engagement in regional conflict*

Femi J. Kolapo (University of Guelph), *The laws of God, the laws of the land and the laws of England: missionary navigation of (in)justice in 19th-century lower Niger basin slave societies*

Nelly Mwale Chita (University of Zambia), *Legal dynamics and mission history: Protestant missionaries' arrival and provision of social services in pre-colonial Zambia*

Coffee 15:15–15:45

**15:45–16:45** **Panel 2: Legal biographies and individual approaches**

Chair: Alicia Haripershad (mpilht)

Hilary M. Carey (University of Bristol), *Missions to seamen and the law*

Matilde Cazzola (mpilht), *The strange case of Dr Giustiniani and Mr. Hirsch: a global legal biography (1790s-1855)*

Coffee 16:45–17:15

**17:15–18:45** **Panel 3: Legal perspectives from the Catholic missionary world**

Chair: Matilde Cazzola (mpilht)





Rômulo da Silva Ehalt (mpilht), *Between European universities and Asian missions: professors of cases of conscience in Iberian Asia (1550s-1700)*

Luisa Stella Coutinho (mpilht), *Christian Japanese women and missionary activities in Japan: a perspective from women’s legal history (16th-17th centuries)*

Benedetta Albani (mpilht), *Missionaries as legal actors between Europe and America: the busy agenda of Jesuit Miguel de Viñas on his journey as a procurator from Chile to Europe*

 Dinner 18:45–19:45

**19:45–20:45     Review of themes**

### **Friday, 21 June 2024**

**9:00–10:00     Panel 4: Protection and philanthropic initiatives**

**Chair:**             Alicia Haripershad (mpilht)

Divya Kannan (Shiv Nadar University), *Infamy, Christian missions and colonial law: the Patna Case of 1889*

Harald Fischer-Tiné (ETH Zürich), *“Not only anti-British, but actually Bolshevik in aims and ideals”: colonial authorities in interwar British India and the YMCA as a “seditious” organisation*

 Coffee 10:00–10:30

**10:30–12:00   Panel 5: Indigenous peoples, missionaries and colonial law**

**Chair:**             Matilde Cazzola (mpilht)

Anna Johnston (University of Queensland), *Missionary literacy and Indigenous petitions in the Australian colonies*

Felicity Ann Jenz (Universität Münster), *Missionaries, “race” and law in the settler colonies of Australia*

Alicia Haripershad (mpilht), *The dynamics of missionaries’ legal authority in South Africa and Northern Rhodesia*

 Lunch 12:00–13:00

**13:00–14:00   Final discussion**

