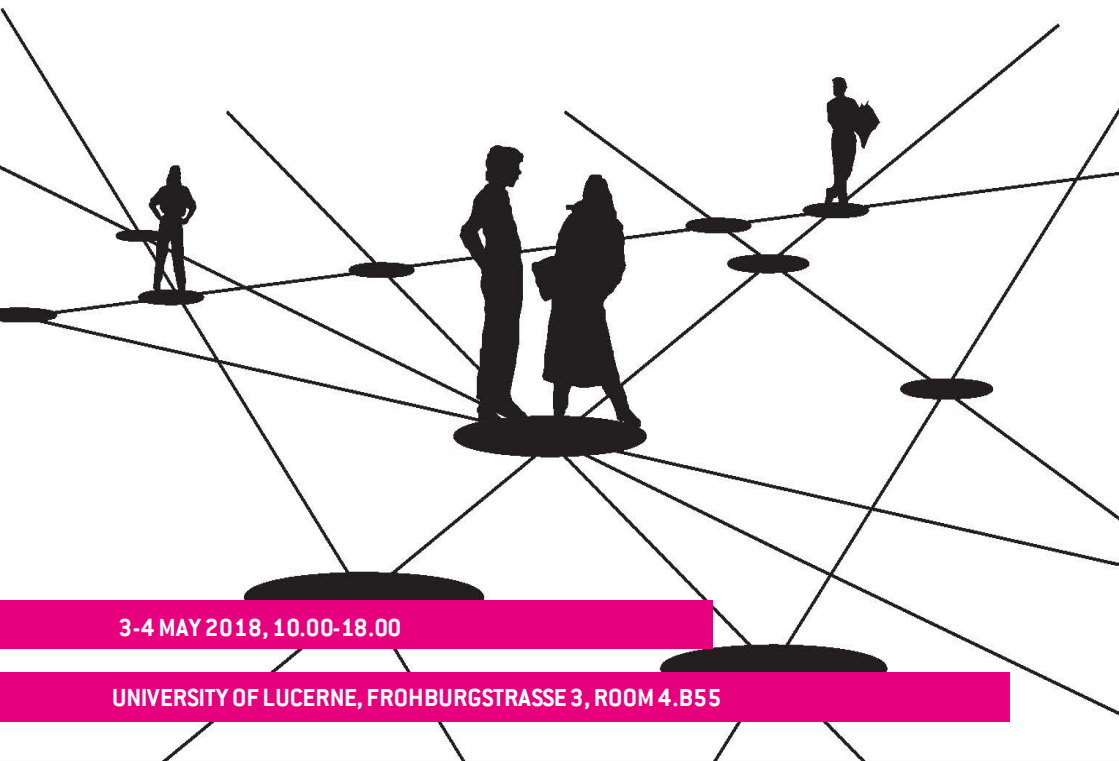


FAILURE OF LAW?



3-4 MAY 2018, 10.00-18.00

UNIVERSITY OF LUCERNE, FROHBURGSTRASSE 3, ROOM 4.B55

CfP - Neues Forum Grundlagen II

Following the successful launch of our new graduate forum (*Neues Forum Grundlagen*) last year, we are delighted to announce our second conference, which will take place at the University of Lucerne on May 3 and 4, 2018. The event will again provide the opportunity for an informal exchange of ideas and views on dissertation topics, legal developments and pressing social and political challenges.

The leading theme of this year's conference is 'Failure of Law?' Does law run the risk of failure in the face of current challenges? Are there historical examples of a 'failed' law or judiciary? Must a 'failure of law' necessarily be viewed in solely negative terms? Or might such a failure open possibilities for a fresh start, or for a productive reorientation or restructuring of the law?

There is thus a broad range of legal-theoretical, -philosophical and –historical perspectives from which we might critically engage with the concept of a 'failure of law'. Possible topics might lie in digital, biotechnological, state or social contexts. The judiciary as an institution is also frequently confronted with accusations of failure – with regards the increasing forward displacement of criminal law, for instance, or with respect to growing demands for alternative dispute resolution mechanisms. Hence we might also ask and explore how errors (e.g. miscarriages of justice) are addressed within the judiciary and/or across other professional legal contexts.

Our aim is to attend to such and other related questions from a variety of legal viewpoints. Researchers from across all subject areas and disciplines are welcome to participate. Should you be interested in presenting, please submit a short abstract (max. 300 words) via email to dario.haux@unilu.ch or silvan.schenkel@unilu.ch by **Friday 30 March**. Should you wish to attend without presenting, registration is open until the start of April. Please note that the number of participants is limited, and registrations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Conference languages are German and English.

For participants accepted to present, a contribution of max. 200 CHF will be made available by the institute lucernaiuris to cover travel costs to Lucerne. The publication of selected papers is envisaged.

We look forward to your contributions!

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