

**“Doing Law beyond the State:
Research Methodologies in Comparative, European and Public and Private
International Law”**

A Scoping Workshop, University of Sheffield, January 18th and 19th 2013

Preliminary Programme

Day 1 – Friday 18 th January 2013			
1100 – 1130	Coffee and Registration		
1130 – 1215	Welcome Address and Structured Opening Roundtable Discussion		
1215 – 1300	Lunch		
1300 – 1500	<p><u>Panel 1 (Plenary) - What is (our) methodology for?</u> Chair – Tamara Hervey</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jaako Husa, ‘Fictional Unity or Polycentric Plurality – New Methodology of Legal Research?’ 2. Richard Collins, ‘Doing International Law as doing... <i>Something?</i> Functionalism and the Methodological Quagmire of International Legal Scholarship’ 3. Mario Prost, ‘Methodology as Epistemological Strategy in International Law: A Historical Perspective’ 4. Bal Sokhi-Bulley, ‘Space’, ‘Tactics’ and ‘Techniques’ – Alternative Methodologies and (EU) Law’ <p>Discussants – TBC</p>		
1445 – 1515	Coffee Break		
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1730 – 1745	<p>Round-up of Day One Neil Walker and Tamara Hervey</p>		
1745 – 1845	Drinks Reception (including “post it” exercise)		

Day 2 – Saturday 19 th January 2013			
0830 – 0900	Day 2 registration: coffee and biscuits		
0900 – 1030	<p><u>Panel 3 (Plenary) – Foundational Problems (or, how we know what (we think) we know about law beyond the state)</u></p> <p>Chair – TBC</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gerry Maher, ‘Theory and method in the Dismal Swamp’ 2. Rory O’Connell, ‘Linking Legal Doctrine and Political Theory’ 3. Pat Capps, ‘Explaining International Law’ <p>Discussants: TBC</p>		
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