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## ***LEGAL MOBILIZATION: A EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE***

**JANUARY 19-3 PM**

This seminar will discuss recent scholarship on legal mobilization at the Pan-European level in the context of EU Migration Law, EU Data Protection Law, and European Human Rights Law.

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# Trends and Challenges in Costs and Funding of Civil Justice

About this event

The financing of litigation is at the heart of securing access to justice. From December 2021 – June 2022, the team of the Vici project 'Affordable Access to Justice' at Erasmus School of Law will organize an online seminar series dedicated to Trends and Challenges in Costs and Funding of Civil Justice, which aim to discuss developments in costs and funding in Europe and at the global level.



You can register for free for all or some of the seminars here: <https://bit.ly/3o2HBFe>

The second seminar in the series, to take place by January 19 via Zoom, is titled "Legal Mobilization: A European Perspective". This seminar will discuss recent scholarship on legal mobilization at the Pan-European level in the context of EU Migration Law, EU Data Protection Law, and European Human Rights Law.

Lisa Harms (University of Münster) - Human rights advocacy and the transnational regulation of religion: The case of Muslim legal mobilization

Lisa Harms will focus on the case of Muslim legal mobilization at the ECtHR and present quantitative data collected regarding the legal mobilization of religious groups at the ECtHR as well as in-depth interviews conducted with litigants and their supporters.

Virginia Passalacqua (Utrecht University) - Legal mobilization via preliminary references: the case of migrant rights  
Virginia Passalacqua will discuss how the EU Court of Justice became a central venue for migrant rights defenders that increasingly rely on the preliminary reference procedure to challenge national anti-migration policies. However, legal mobilization varies greatly among Member States: some countries make multiple references and others make none. Virginia Passalacqua's presentation will shed light on the factors that facilitate or hamper legal mobilization for migrant rights before the EU Court.

Sanja Badanjak (University of Edinburgh) - Constitutional review as an opportunity structure for legal mobilization in the EU  
Sanja Badanjak will discuss how constitutional complaints offer routes through which citizens' mobilization in defence of their rights may be realized. In the EU, this can be used to voice opposition and change EU law via the preliminary reference procedure. However, this also requires further consideration of cross-country variation in citizens' access to constitutional litigation.