

AALS Section on European Law Call for Papers
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The Future of the EU: Brexit, Covid-19, and the Rise of Inequalities

The AALS Section on European Law, with the co-sponsorship of the Section on International Law, invites submissions for its session at the 2022 AALS Annual Meeting. Next year's annual meeting will be held virtually from January 5-9, 2022, with the Section on European Law panel scheduled for Thursday, January 6, from 11:00-12:15 (EST). We welcome submissions at any stage of development on the following topic:

The Future of the EU: Brexit, Covid-19, and the Rise of Inequalities

The European Union is at a crossroads. European institutions are confronting both old and new challenges. But opportunities also arise when challenges are faced. The Covid-19 pandemic has exacerbated the slow recovery from the 2009 financial crisis and the subsequent sovereign debt crises faced by many member states. Brexit and its finalization on 31 January 2020 have left a sour relationship and several unresolved disputes between the institutions and their former member state. To confront the new borderless climate risk demands a unified approach. These are only some of the issues the EU is facing, but these problems are also “seeds of opportunity” for the European project. The ‘Next Generation EU’ recovery plan and the EU joint financial response to the Covid-19 crisis was labelled by some commentators as the “European Hamiltonian Moment.” The European Green Deal is leading the global dialogue on climate reforms and the European Central Bank is one of the major interlocutors in the green finance space. This panel offers a forum for discussion and debate on the future of the EU, the challenges it faces, and the opportunities ahead—and is open to any area or submission, including any not mentioned above, touching on European law.

Submission Details and Due Date

Please email your submission to the Section Chair, Paolo Saguato, psaguato@gmu.edu on or before August 20, 2021. Please also indicate (a) whether you are tenured, pre-tenure, or other; (b) how far along the full article is, and (c) optionally, any other information that might benefit the committee in selecting a diverse panel of speakers. The submission can be an abstract, a paper proposal, the introduction from a longer paper, or a fully developed project. Up to four papers will be selected from the submissions for presentation in January. In the subject line please write: “Submission for AALS European Law Section Main Panel 2022.” The authors of the accepted papers will be notified by September 20, 2021.

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