

Call for Paper Proposals

Socio-economic rights and non-discrimination at the intersection of the market, the border, and the welfare state

Lund University, Faculty of Law, 27 and 28 May 2024

This workshop aims at a renewed scholarly engagement with socio-economic rights and the right to non-discrimination as sources of welfare. Reconceiving welfare as a concept central to the understanding of socio-economic rights and the right to non-discrimination is a central theme. The workshop will achieve its aim by bringing scholars from different fields of legal research such as discrimination law, migration law, EU law, human rights law, and constitutional law. As such, it will enable a much-needed cross dialogue between different but related strands of scholarship, each of which is significant for a comprehensive and non-fragmented understanding of socio-economic rights and the right to non-discrimination, and their meaning with a view to welfare.

A wide discretion is left to states within human rights law when it comes to socioeconomic policymaking despite the direct impact of such policies on individuals' enjoyment of economic and social rights. Moreover, differentiation between citizens and non-citizens, and among non-citizens, in the distribution of welfare can be justified by states as a matter of state discretion in many cases. Therefore, it is relevant to ponder who is included within the welfare structures of European states and how, and who is not and why. Contributions answering the following questions, among others, are welcome

- Are economic and social rights indeed a source of welfare for everyone, and what kind of welfare do they bring in the market societies of Europe?
- What role do economic and social rights play with a view to the welfare of non-citizens? Are they a means of welfare for non-citizens, or do they remain illusory in that respect?
- How does the enjoyment of economic and social rights differ among non-citizen groups, and based on which considerations, in different European countries?
- How is the right to non-discrimination relevant in this context given that the welfare state creates different categories and groups of people in the distribution of social goods?
- Do non-citizens have effective access to justice for seeking equal enjoyment of welfare through rights-protection?

Papers offering perspectives on international human rights law, European Convention on Human Rights, European Union law and national law are welcomed.

Expenses All travel and accommodation expenses of those invited will be covered.

Publication Selected papers will be invited for inclusion in a special issue. Publication will be subject to peer review.

Timeline

8 December 2023 Issue of the call for papers

22 January 2024 Deadline for submission of abstract proposals

4 February 2024 Notification as to which authors are invited

15 May 2024 Deadline for submission of the draft papers

27 - 28 May 2024 Workshop Biskopshuset, Lund, Sweden

15 September 2024 Deadline for submission of the redrafted papers to a peer reviewed journal

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