



Research Centers Newsletter, November 2018



Food and Agriculture Competition Roundtable



The American Antitrust Institute (AAI) and the University of Wisconsin Law School are pleased to present the competition roundtable "Food and Agriculture at a Crossroads: Setting Competition Priorities to Protect Producers, Consumers, and the Supply Chain." The roundtable, which will take place from **8:30am - 4:15pm on Friday, December 7th**, will discuss major competition policy issues involving concentrated food and agriculture markets, their interconnections to the broader national and global supply chains, and strategies for improving competition. The roundtable will begin with a briefing on the state of competition in food and agriculture,

with a focus on gaps in the law or legal doctrine that makes developing competition policy particularly difficult. The day will feature three panels on topics that have important implications for competition enforcement and policy. Experts in antitrust and regulation from government, industry, advocacy, and academia will frame major competitive issues through the lens of different stakeholder and enforcement perspectives. The morning and afternoon discussions will each close with a roundtable session that gives participants the opportunity to react to and

candidly discuss themes, issues, and policy recommendations for competition enforcement. The roundtable will take place in **Law School Room 2211**.

For more information, including a link to register, the agenda, and a list of speakers, please visit the [Food and Agriculture Competition Roundtable webpage](#).

The Food and Agriculture Competition Roundtable is sponsored by the American Antitrust Institute (AAI), the University of Wisconsin Law School Dean's Office, and the UW Department of Agriculture and Applied Economics.

Featured Program: South Asia Legal Studies Working Group

In 2006, a working group was established by Professor Mitra Sharafi to coordinate and promote events pertaining to South Asian legal studies and to facilitate intellectual exchange between faculty and students at the University with shared interests in the field. The disciplinary interests of the working group include political science, history, religious studies, and, within law itself, environmental law, human rights, Islamic law, constitutional law, discrimination, women's studies, and the legal profession.



Members of the Working Group have interests and expertise on various aspects of law in South Asia and join long-time UW-Madison Professor Marc Galanter, whose extensive work on law in South Asia has been extremely influential in American and in South Asian scholarship. Law School faculty and staff members of the Working Group include Sumudu Atapattu, Marc Galanter, Mitra Sharafi, Sunil Rao, and Mark Sidel, and SJD students Cynthia Farid and Maryam Khan.

The Working Group hosts speakers and organizes the annual South Asia Legal Studies Workshop, the first and, so far, the only workshop on South Asian legal studies in the United States. Now in its 12th year, the workshop has become a popular inter-disciplinary event among South Asian scholars and graduate students.

For more information on the South Asia Legal Studies Working Group, please visit: https://law.wisc.edu/gls/sa_legal_studies_working_group.html

Faculty Spotlight: Kathryn Hendley



Professor Kathryn Hendley

GLS affiliate Professor Kathryn Hendley is a longtime student of legal reform in contemporary Russia. In 2017, she published *Everyday Law in Russia* (Cornell University Press), that explored how ordinary Russians experienced law. It was grounded in focus group research and hundreds of hours of observation of the Justice-of-the-Peace courts, carried out as a Fulbright Scholar in Russia. She has now turned her attention to the legal profession. Thanks to a grant from the NSF, she fielded a 2016 survey of over 2000 graduating law students from 163 different law schools. Hers is the first project to study the Russian legal profession as a whole. To date, scholars have focused on specific types of lawyers, such as prosecutors, licensed litigators, judges, and investigators. Many other types of lawyers, such as unlicensed litigators and lawyers for state agencies, have traditionally been left out of the picture. Looking at Russian lawyers as a whole has allowed her to rethink how we conceptualize lawyers in Russia and other post-Communist countries. Several articles drawn from her data have been accepted for publication and more are in the pipeline. Professor Hendley hopes to be able to field future surveys that

will track her respondents throughout their careers.

Upcoming Events

- **November 7, 2018:** Law & Society Speaker Michael Kang (ILS)
- **November 9, 2018:** John Kidwell Memorial Lecture (ILS)
- **November 14, 2018:** Ideas & Innovations Speaker Yxta Murray (Dean's Office)
- **November 16-17, 2018:** Wisconsin Discussion Group on Constitutionalism (Dean's Office)
- **November 29, 2018:** GLS Speaker Pablo Rueda-Saiz (GLS)
- **December 7, 2018:** Food & Agriculture Competition Roundtable (Dean's Office)

For a complete list of upcoming events, visit: <http://law.wisc.edu/researchcenters/events.html>

Visiting Professor Spotlight

Pablo Rueda Saiz, August – December 2018

Pablo Rueda-Saiz is currently a Tinker Visiting Professor at the University of Wisconsin Law School. He is a Colombian lawyer who holds an M.A. and a Ph.D. in Jurisprudence and Social Policy from the University of California, Berkeley. Professor Rueda-Saiz is currently working on a project that explores some of the limitations that social movements encounter when they use legal tactics against powerful global corporate actors, both inside and outside the formal legal process. His current work focuses on the disconnect between social movements and the law. His research also studies how social movements innovate. Professor Rueda-Saiz chose the UW Law School to continue his research because it has a tradition of rigorous socio-legal scholarship and a strong commitment to comparative law. These two aspects of UW Law School are ideal for allowing him to investigate the relationship between law and globalization. In addition to his time at UW Law School, he has taught at the Universidad de los Andes and the Universidad del Rosario in Colombia, and at the University of Giessen U.S.-German Summer Law School. He has published both in English and in Spanish on topics related to international law, comparative constitutional law, and law and society.



Pablo Rueda Saiz

Student Spotlight



Ard Sakuntanakalap

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Ard Sakuntanakalap was an intern at YKVN in Hanoi, Vietnam during the summer of 2018 as part of the internship program coordinated by EALSC. During his time at YKVN, Ard worked closely with firm counsel and Law School alumnus John Davis and firm managing partner Diep Hoai Nam. He worked on areas relating to corporate law, gambling law, and business contracts based on local law.

During his time in Vietnam, Ard had the opportunity to explore cities and attractions such as Ha Long Bay, Ninh Binh, and Danang. He enjoyed the beautiful landscapes and interacting with the locals.

Jake Lund, 2L

Jake Lund interned at Chandler MHM Limited in Bangkok, Thailand during the summer of 2018 as part of the internship program coordinated by the EALSC. Chandler MHM is a prominent international project finance firm in Southeast Asia and is broadening its capabilities and geographic reach as part of a recent merger with Mori Hamada & Matsumoto of Japan. As an intern, Jake worked with the international project finance team where he helped Thai lawyers with document revisions and internal research. Through Chandler MHM, Jake had the opportunity to attend several legal conferences around Bangkok as well as complete an international arbitration course. In addition to the many experiential opportunities provided by Chandler MHM, Jake took advantage of Bangkok's central location in Southeast Asia and made time to visit the beaches of Phuket Island in southern Thailand as well as the Himalayan foothills outside Kathmandu, Nepal.



News and Announcements

- The [call for applications](#) for the **2019 Hurst Summer Institute** is out. Please share the call with anyone who may be interested.
- The Institute for Legal Studies will be hosting a **Food & Agriculture Competition Roundtable** on Friday, December 7th. For more information and to register for the event, please visit: <https://www.antitrustinstitute.org/event/2018foodagroundtable/>
- Save the date for the annual **Wisconsin International Law Journal (WILJ) Symposium** entitled "Lawyers and Lawyering in China and Russia: Common Challenges," on April 5, 2019. Details TBA.
- The annual **Soffa Lecture** will be delivered by Dr. Brigitte Baptiste on **April 11, 2019** at the Pyle Center.