

International Journal of Refugee Law



Amsterdam Centre for Migration and Refugee Law and *International Journal of Refugee Law*: Second Workshop for Prospective Authors

The [*International Journal of Refugee Law*](#) is the leading peer-reviewed journal on all aspects of international law relating to forced migration.

This online workshop, co-hosted with [Amsterdam Centre for Migration and Refugee Law \(ACMRL\)](#), will enable those engaged in scholarly research in the field of refugee law to receive feedback on it from members of the journal's Editorial Board in a collaborative and supportive environment. Whether you are looking to publish for the first time, or would like to improve your likelihood of a successful submission, our aim is to support prospective authors develop and improve their work, with a view to its submission to the *IJRL*.

The workshop will take place online in June 2026 (date tbc, 10-12am Amsterdam time).

To Participate

Please submit a brief covering letter and draft paper to secretariaat.sb.rch@vu.nl with the subject line "IJRL/ACMRL workshop submission".

The covering letter should include your name, details of your institutional or other affiliation, and an abstract of your paper.

The draft paper should be at least 5,000 words and conform to *IJRL*'s [Instructions to Authors](#). Papers can address any topic in the field of refugee studies/forced migration, but authors must engage significantly with international law. Information for new authors considering submitting to the *IJRL* is available [here](#), while wider author support is available on the Oxford University Press [Author Resource Centre](#).

The ACMRL and *IJRL* particularly welcome submissions from scholars based in and/or writing about regions under-represented in the Journal's coverage and from those with lived experience of displacement.

The deadline for submissions of the covering letter and draft paper is Sunday 12 April 23:59h.

Next Steps

All submissions will be read by the organisers who will make a selection of papers for further engagement.

Authors of papers selected for the workshop will be notified of this decision by the end of April 2026. Authors will then have until early June to complete and submit their draft article.

Workshop Ethos

Workshop discussions will be open and collegiate, their sole purpose being to assist the person sharing work to develop and improve it.

Those sharing work are encouraged to welcome comments and criticisms, and to respond in ways that maximise the feedback they receive. Those commenting are encouraged to provide constructive feedback and make comments for the benefit of the author.

The workshop will be chaired by Janna Wessels, Associate Professor at the Amsterdam Centre for Migration and Refugee Law. If you have any questions or queries, email j.m.wessels@vu.nl.

This will be the second workshop for prospective authors organized by the *IJRL*, following the first edition co-hosted by the [Refugee Studies Centre](#), University of Oxford, to be held in December 2025.