

First ACMRL conference 2026

Program

17-19 June

Conference streams:

- Stream 1 - Human Rights Litigation and Migration Policy
- Stream 2 - Asylum and the New Pact
- Stream 3 - Rule of Law and Migration
- Stream 4 - From Migration Law to the Law of Mobility
- Stream 5 - Family and Migration law
- Stream 6 - Labour Migration Law and the Global Compact for Migration
- Stream 7 - Mixed theme

Wednesday 17 June

2:00 – 6:00 PM	Pre ACMRL Conference Event	NU-Theater 7
2:00 – 3:30 PM	Migration Law Clinic final presentation	
4:00 – 6:00 PM	International Moot Court	
6:00 – 8:00 PM	Social drinks	Hortus Botanicus VU

VU Campus

Thursday 18 June

9:00 – 9:30 AM	Registration, Coffee/Tea	NU-Theater 3
9:30 – 9:45 AM	Welcome by the conference team <i>Martijn Stronks, Janna Wessels, Rosali Fitz and Marijana Matosevic</i>	NU-Theater 3
9:45 – 10:45 AM	Keynote speaker: Catherine Dauvergne <i>What if Refugees Mattered? The Challenge to International Law</i>	NU-Theater 3

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11:00 AM – 12:30 PM Session 1

Panel 1.1 (OZW-2B01)

Emergencies and Legal Mobilization

Chair: Lieneke Slingenberg

- Kamilla Zsuzsanna Galicz – ‘Judicial Mobilization in Times of Asylum Backsliding: Lessons from Italy’
- Marlene Stiller – ‘Derogating human rights through the back door – On the interrelation of Art. 72 TFEU and human rights in pushback cases’
- Claire Lefort-Rieu & Emma Vescovi – ‘The exceptionalism of the “M status”: a contested administrative category’

Panel 1.2 (OZW- 3B04)

Temporal Aspects: Speedy Procedures and Temporary Statuses

Chair: Greta Albertari

- Anna Chatelion Counet – ‘Endless Insecurity? An analysis of cessation requirements and permanent residence permits for beneficiaries of international protection in EU Law’
- Ruth Paola Rodríguez Plaza – ‘Epistemic Injustice as Structural Violence: The New Pact on Migration and Asylum and the Credibility of Asylum Seekers and Migrants’
- Enes Zaimović – ‘From Flexibility to Control: the Many Faces of Temporary Protection in the EU Law (With a Special Focus on TP Legislation in Czechia)’

Panel 1.3 (OZW-4C04)

Roundtable: Reverse Strategic Litigation by Governments on Migrants’ Rights

- Janna Wessels – ‘Killing Cases: State Tactics to Prevent or Appeal Adverse Judgments Regarding their Migration Control Policies at the ECtHR’
- Mónica Ávila Currás – ‘Unexpected Guests at Strasbourg’s Doctrine Arena: Reverse Strategic Litigation through Third-Party Interventions by States in Migration Cases’
- Jessica Klüger – ‘Everything, Everywhere, All at Once: How Governments Reshaped the Interpretation of Collective Expulsion During Litigation at the European Court of Human Rights’

Panel 1.4 (OZW-5B02)

Delegated Protection and Precarious Status: Sponsorship, Labour Mobility and the Fragmentation of Refugee Protection

Chair: Gabriella D’Avino

- Christopher Hein & Gaia Rossi – ‘Public-private partnership for refugee protection: New prospects in the light of a longstanding tradition’
- Gabriella D’Avino – ‘Delegated humanitarianism and fragmented protection: a legal analysis of the UK’s sponsorship schemes’
- Chiara Berneri – ‘From Temporary Protection to Durable Solutions? The Homes for Ukraine Scheme and the Asylum–Regularisation Nexus in the UK’
- Petra Hueck – ‘Status Safeguards in Refugee Labour Mobility Pathways: Protection, Family Unity, and Integration’

12:30 – 1:30 PM Lunch break

1:30 – 3:00 PM Session 2

Panel 2.1 (OZW-2B01)

Strategic Litigation in Times of Rule of Law Backsliding

Chair: Marcelle Reneman

- Kris van der Pas – ‘*The Impact of Strategic Litigation Campaigns in the Field of European Asylum Law*’
- Pauline Endres de Oliveira – ‘*Judging against Time*’
- Petra Sussner – ‘*Formal Inclusion v. Structural Exclusion: Strategic Litigation from a Queer Perspective*’
- Stefan Salomon – ‘*Mobilizing Private Law to Enforce Migrant Rights*’

Panel 2.2 (OZW- 3B04)

Executive Supremacy? Executive Rulemaking in Migration Law

Chair: Bahija Aarrass

- Lieneke Slingenberg – ‘*Lawmaking on Migration as a Tool of Autocratization*’
- Rosali Fitz - ‘*Delegation of Legislative Powers to the Executive in Dutch Migration Law*’
Discussant: Louis Middelkoop
- Elsa Fernando Gonzalo – ‘*Formalization of Informality: the Case of Return Centres*’
Discussant: Isabella Leroy

Panel 2.3 (OZW-4C04)

Mobilities of the Past and Future

Chair: Marijana Matosevic

- Heidi Vad Jønsson – ‘*Governing Mobilities in the Age of Liberalism*’
- Samuel Ballin – ‘*Unearthing Mobilities: A comparison of the eco-eco mobilities of two highly-qualified migrant worker groups in the EU*’
- Marianna Hu – ‘*At the Intersection between Mobility Infrastructure and Climate-Related Mobility*’
- Karolina Žáková – ‘*Climate change and internal displacement: what are forced climate migrants entitled to according to human rights law?*’

Panel 2.4 (OZW-5B02)

Who is Family? Family in Flux in Family Migration Law

Chair: Masja Zweers

- Oluwaseyi Adewale Olawuyi – ‘*Legal and Governance Gaps Affecting Divorced Women Migrating with Children in Nigeria*’
- Sarah Progin-Theuerkauf – ‘*From Rigidity to Balance: How Article 8 ECHR Shapes Swiss Migration Law*’
- Pamela Ijeoma – ‘*Promises Without Protection: Procedural Uncertainty and Child Rights in Chavez Vilchez Cases Involving Undocumented African Mothers in the Netherlands*’

- Carolina Silvestre & Emellin de Oliveira – *‘Regulating Family Separation: Portugal’s Family Reunification Reform and the Right to Family Life’*
- Manuelle Fettweis & Emma Vescovi – *‘When family reunification becomes a site of harm: domestic violence, legal aid and access to justice’*

3:00 – 3:30 PM Break

3:30 – 5:00 PM Session 3

Panel 3.1 (OZW-2B01)

Civil Society Mobilising Human Rights Law for the Inclusion of Migrants

Chair: Janna Wessels

- Malak Harb – *‘Investigating the Effectiveness of Transnational Advocacy Networks (TANs) in Asylum Strategic Litigation within the European Union’*
- Valentina Bonavoglia – *‘Strategic Human Rights Litigation and Climate-Induced Mobility: From Non-Refoulement to Collective Climate Harm’*
- Adriana Kessler – *‘Asylum seekers’ access to social benefits in Germany: The Relevance of Human Rights Norms in the Practice of Legal Interventions by NGOs’*

Panel 3.2 (OZW- 3B04)

Labour Migration and the GCM: Bridging Commitments and Practice

Chair: Younous Arbaoui

- Moumi Awudu – *‘Labour Shortages, Skills Mobility, and the Global Compact for Migration: Between Commitment and Practice’*
- Tesseltje de Lange & Judith van Uden – *‘State, market, and ‘talent’: The political economy of Labour Migration for the Green Transition in the EU’*
- Golnoosh Mozafari – *‘Decoupling Labour Rights from Migration Status: Lessons from Displaced Afghan in Iran for the Global Compact for Migration (GCM) Review’*
- Nishrin Qowamuna – *‘The Potential and Limits of the GCM to Advance Protection for Migrant Fishers’*

Panel 3.3 (OZW-4C04)

Humanrightization of Migration: Deportation, Detention, Disembarkation

Chair: Inga Broerse

- Laura Cleton – *‘Legitimizing children’s deportation through human rights discourse? A longitudinal discourse analysis of parliamentary debates in Belgium and the Netherlands’*
- Julie Mostov – *‘Hard Borders and Authoritarian Closure’*
- Jasmin Lilian Diab – *‘From Object to Author: Feminist Legal Judgment through Trans Refugee Resistance’*

Panel 3.4 (OZW-5B02)

Travelling Concepts and Codification of Practices

Chair: Hemme Battjes

- Greta Albertari – ‘Between adoption and entry into effect: anticipatory asylum practices in Italy and Greece’
- Lynn Hillary – ‘Uploading and Downloading Refugee Law in Europe’
- Anna Arden – ‘Lessons Learned from Airports: On Transit Areas, Legal Fictions, and a Discursive Tool’
- Angelika Adensamer – ‘Legal Fiction, Real Consequences: The construct of “implicit withdrawal” in the Migration Pact and the elasticity of the legal border’

6:00 – 9:00 PM

Dinner

Grand Café LIVING

Friday 19 June

VU Campus

10:00 – 10:30 AM

Coffee/Tea

NU-Theater 5

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM Session 4

Panel 4.1 (NU-3A57)

The Interplay of National and International Migration Law

Chair: Marijana Matosevic

- Sara Mariella Lambertini Martinez – ‘Fragmented Protection: Strategic Litigation and the Judicialization of Asylum Access Restrictions in Brazil (2020–2025)’
- Zoé Perko – ‘National Control mechanisms within regional free movement frameworks: Perspectives from the ECOWAS, EU, and Mercosur’

Panel 4.2 (NU-3B07)

Systematic Consequences of the Pact’s Framework

Chair: Anna Chatelion Counet

- Christopher Cowan and Daria Davitti – ‘Financing the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum: An anatomy of EU financialized migration control’
- Lisa Steurer – ‘Between Soft Commitments and Hard Duties: The Legal Nature of Solidarity under the AMMR’
- Hemme Battjes – ‘Beneficiaries of International Protection in the AMMR’
- Vasiliki Apatzidou – ‘Navigating Shifting Borders in the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum: Inter-Externalization at a Crossroads’

Panel 4.3 (NU-5A47)

Digital and Regulated Precarity

Chair: Lienneke Slingenberg

- Murtaza Mohiqi – ‘Can Algorithms Measure Suffering? Digital Vulnerability and the Transformation of Asylum Law’
- Mariana Gkliati – ‘Digitalisation, Externalisation and Shared Administration: Towards a New Spatial Constitutionalism’

Panel 4.4 (NU-5A57)

Courts and Treaty Bodies as Sites for Contesting Migration Policy

Chair: Mónica Ávila Currás

- Emiliya Bratanova – ‘EU Law at a Crossroads: Applying the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights to the Italy-Albania Protocol’
- Clara Bosch March – ‘Exploring the (Absolute?) Nature and Scope of Application of Article 4 of Protocol No 4 ECHR: ND and NT v Spain as a Case-Study’
- Jonathan Kiessling – ‘What Do States Actually Want from the ECtHR? The Chişinău Declaration, Migrants’ Rights at the Border, and the Hollow Promise of Proceduralisation’
- Bas Schotel & Jessica Klüger – ‘Prohibition of Collective Expulsion of Aliens in the Event of Culpable Conduct and Illegal Border Crossings. A Reevaluation of the Culpable Conduct Doctrine Reconciling National Security with Human Rights’

12:15 – 1:15 PM Lunch break

1:15 – 2:45 PM Session 5

Panel 5.1 (NU-3A57)

Rethinking Migration Law: Disjunctions, Injustice and Stress Tests

Chair: Jessica Klüger

- Aboabea Akuffo – ‘Reckoning with Migration Laws: lived Disjunctions, Legal Abstraction, and the Limits of Humaneness’
- Juan Sebastián Villamil Rodríguez – ‘Climate Induce Migration’
- Adeodata Kanyamihanda – ‘Non-Refoulement as Gap-Filling Protection for Climate-Displaced Persons under the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum’
- Nesli Soylu – ‘Legal Status Hierarchies in Dutch Migration Law: The Role of Time in Reinforcing Inequalities between Asylum Seekers and Highly Paid Migrants’

Panel 5.2 (NU-3B07)

Migrant Workers, Precarious Status and Access to Justice

Chair: Jordan Dez

- Hafsa Sati – ‘Labour Migration and the Rule of Law in Italy and Spain’
- Arwen Joyce – ‘Domestic courts as agents of positive change for low-wage migrant workers’ rights in Asia’

Panel 5.3 (NU-5A47)

Elsewhere or Nowhere? The Right to Family Life of Migrants in Legal Doctrine

Chair: Betty de Hart

- Lisa Lukose & Pooja Arora – ‘*Reproductive Borders and Transnational Parentage: Analysis of Surrogacy Laws, Immigration Policies, and Sovereignty Issues*’
- Claudia Zugno – ‘*Family Reunification in Europe: From an ‘Essential Right of Refugees’ to a State Instrument of Migration Control*’
- Hayrunnisa Çelik – ‘*Rethinking “Dependency” in Family Reunification of Extended Family Members before the ECtHR*’
- Marco Rizzuti – ‘*Between Pluralism and the Enforcement of Gender Equality: The Cases of Polygamy and Talaq*’

Panel 5.4 (NU-5A57)

The Right to Travel

Chair: Martijn Stronks

- Dion Kramer – ‘*Struggle in the City: Tourism, Homelessness and the Role of EU Law in Urban Government*’
- Marijana Matosevic – ‘*Right to travel for whom? Conceptualizations of a tourist in discussions on mobility rights*’
- Anna Milioni – ‘*The right to emigrate and the duty to support just institutions*’

2:45 – 3:00 PM

Closing remarks

NU-Theater 5

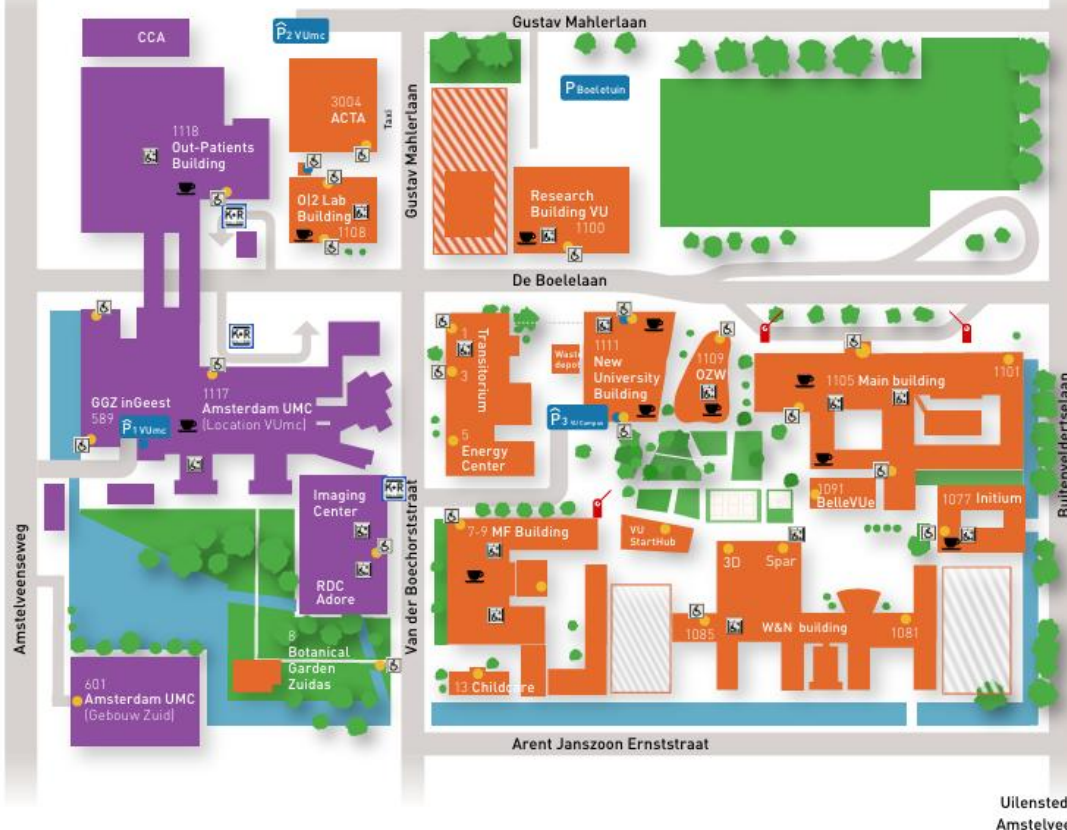


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- **VU Campus:** De Boelelaan 1105, 1081 HV Amsterdam
 - **NU:** New University Building
- **Hortus Botanicus VU:** Van der Boechorststraat 8, 1081 BT Amsterdam
- **Grand Café LIVING:** De Boelelaan 1111G, 1081 HV Amsterdam

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Legenda

-  Entrance/Exit
-  Parking entrance/exit
-  Coffee corner
-  Wheelchair friendly entrance
-  Wheelchair friendly elevator *

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