



Limiting Liberties?

27th February 2016

Keynes Building, University of Kent

Canterbury

Kent Critical Law Society is pleased to announce our 2016 Critical Legal Conference, which will take place on **27th February**. Our society is a student-led critical lawyers' group that annually holds this flagship event, attracting academics, practitioners, and students from across the UK. Following the success of last year's event, '*Law and the Body*', this year's conference seeks to critically examine the notions of freedom, rights, liberties, as well as their influence in shaping ideas and scenarios of socio-political disruption.

Technology, inequality and rights discourse shape the politics of media and social trends. They, in turn, fundamentally influence the way in which liberty is perceived. As a result, a critical legal examination of potentially conflicting notions of liberty is of vital importance.

We will be hosting a variety of panels of both theoretical and practical nature, ranging from the recent migration crisis to the freedom of expression. The theme of the conference is broad and open to many other topics.

The conference committee is now welcoming papers and panel proposals on any and all topics relating to the conference theme, which may include, but not be limited to:

- Immigration law
- Family law
- Human rights law
- Freedom of expression
- Art law
- Intellectual property law
- Religion
- Politics
- Economics
- Gender and sexuality
- Feminism
- Legal theory
- Legal history

Possible Panels could be on:

- Limiting freedom of expression
- Gender disparity in institutions
- Rights of asylum seekers
- Equal rights for LGBT
- Female genital mutilation and its consequences
- Limiting liberties and national security
- Political realities created by media
- Ethics of the individual decision making
- Terrorism
- 'Democratic dictatorship'
- Law and technology
- Grief as an instrument of power
- The politics of human rights
- Genocide
- Utopian societies

We strongly encourage undergraduate participation! This year's conference is designed to welcome as many students as in order to create the opportunity of having a discussion that is outside the classroom context. Interdisciplinary papers are particularly welcome.

Please send all proposals to conferencekclsoc@kent.ac.uk before Monday 23 January 2016. We strongly recommend, however, sending them by Monday 16 January 2016 to receive quicker responses.

If needed we will arrange for accommodation for speakers and will cover any travel expenses. Moreover, we will provide breakfast and lunch for speakers on the day.

For more information email:
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Kindest Regards,

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