





Sociology, Politics & Law

Explorations into an interdisciplinary subfield of the broader social sciences

Soziologie Kolloquium

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Wednesday, 21 May | 16:00 to 18:00 | Room S6

Informality and Courts: Conversations About a Relational Approach

Alexander Stroh & Thoko Kaime, UBT

Based on a recently published book about Informality and Courts that brought together a group of socio-legal and judicial politics scholars from around the world, interested in multiple regions and countries*, Alexander Stroh will present the editors' approach to the theoretical and empirical integration of relational prespectives into the study of informalities at and around the worlds of courts and judiciaries that uphold the image of a strictly formalised space. Illustrations from African Regional Courts accompany the conceptual proposal and legal scholar Thoko Kaime will discuss the approach and engage his colleague from political science in a conversation of lived interdisciplinarity.

*Dressel/Sanchez/Stroh (eds) 2024: *Informality and Courts. Comparative Perspectives*. Edinburgh University Press.