

XXXVI Nordic Conference on Law and Information Technology

Oslo, 8-10 November 2021

Securitization, Risk, Rule of Law

– and, oh yes, a Pandemic!

The XXXVI Conference in Law and Information Technology is devoted to the overarching themes of security, risk management, and rule of law. It is organised by the Norwegian Research Center for Computers and Law (NRCCL) in conjunction with the final conference of the research project ‘Security in Internet Governance and Networks: Analysing the Law’ (SIGNAL), funded by the Research Council of Norway and UNINETT Norid AS.

The overarching themes of the conference have long been integral elements of regulatory discourse on the interaction of law and technology. They form the predominant focus of the presentations on Day 1 of the conference.

The ongoing pandemic has elevated the prominence and urgency of these matters in the minds of regulators and the general public. Arguably, the pandemic is also affecting the way(s) in which they are being regulated through legislation, soft law and technology. Hence, Day 2 of the conference is predominantly devoted to discussing the impact of the pandemic in this regard, drawing upon experiences and perspectives from the Nordic countries.

The conference will be held at Hotel Bristol, Oslo.

The conference will be preceded by a doctoral workshop, the holding of the Knut Selmer Memorial Lecture, and a welcome reception. All of these events will be held at the Law Faculty, University of Oslo. The doctoral workshop will be held at the NRCCL in Domus Academica, whereas the memorial lecture and reception will be held in Kjerka, Domus Media. At the conclusion of the conference, there will be opportunity to mingle, drink and snack at a meeting hosted by Legal Innovation Lab Oslo (LILO). The latter meeting is, however, a separate event with its own [registration attendance](#) system.

Monday 8 November, Faculty of Law, UiO

12:15 – 16:45	Doctoral workshop	
17:00 – 18:00	Knut Selmer Memorial Lecture: The Right to Health and Healthy Environment, and Data Use in Times of Crisis: Reflections on Nordic Law in the Face of a Pandemic”	Tuomas Pöysti, Chancellor of Justice, Finland
18:00 – 19:00	Welcome reception for Nordic conference	

Tuesday 9 November, Hotel Bristol

09:00 – 09:30	Registration and coffee/tea. Good morning!	
09:30 – 09:35	Opening Address	Lee A. Bygrave, NRCCL
09:40 – 10:15	Risk in Law and Regulatory Discourse	Professor Tobias Mahler, NRCCL
10:15 – 10:30	Discussion	
10:30 – 11:10	Surveillance of Computerized Devices: How Volatile and All-embracing Surveillance Measures call for Restructuring of the Law	Ingvild Bruce, Borgarting Court of Appeal, Norway
11:15 – 11:30	Discussion	
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee/tea	
12:00 – 12:45	Humans in the Loop in EU Regulation: Where, How, Why?	Sebastian Schwemer, Centre for Information and Innovation Law (CIIR), University of Copenhagen
12:45 – 13:00	Discussion	
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 14:40	The Right to Cybersecurity: An Emerging Fundamental Right?	Luca Tosoni, NRCCL
14:40 – 14:55	Discussion	
14:55 – 15:15	Coffee/tea and fruit	
15:15 – 16:00	Encryption and the Rule of Law	Peter Davis, NRCCL
16:00 – 16:15	Discussion	
16:15 – 16:30	Presentation of research project: ‘Explainable and Ethical Machine Learning for Knowledge Discovery from Medical Data Sources’ (EXTREMUM)	Stanley Greenstein, Swedish Law and Informatics Research Institute (IRI), University of Stockholm
End of first day of conference. Take a rest!		
19:00	Conference Banquet	

Wednesday 10 November, Hotel Bristol

09:00 – 09:30	Coffee/tea. Good morning!	
09:30 – 10:05	Governance of Health Data in Cyberspace: Nordic Research Results	Heidi Beate Bentzen, NRCCL
10:10 – 10:25	Discussion	
10:30 – 11:30	Combatting Covid: The Nordic Response(s) – panel discussion	Moderator: Henrik Udsen, CIIR. Panelists: Ana Nordberg (Lund University); Katharina Ó Cathaoir (University of Copenhagen); Päivi Korpisaari (University of Helsinki); Helen Eenmaa (Tartu University); Njål Høstmælingen (Norwegian Institute of Public Health); Juhana Riekkinen (University of Lapland); Hörður Helgi Helgason (Landslög law offices, Reykjavík)
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee/tea	
12:00 – 13:00	Combatting Covid: The Nordic Response(s) – discussion (cont'd)	Panelists and audience
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 14:35	Security by Design: Aspirations and Realities in a Regulatory Context	Lee A. Bygrave, NRCCL
14:40 – 15:00	Discussion	
15:00 – 15:20	Coffee/tea and fruit	
Current research projects		
15:25 – 15:40	'Privacy-Aware and Acceptable Video-Based Technologies and Services for Active and Assisted Living' (visuAAL)	Liane Colonna, IRI, University of Stockholm
15:45 – 16:00	'Vulnerability in the Robotic Society' (VIROS)	Naomi Lintvedt, NRCCL
End of conference. Have a safe journey home!		
Post-conference event: 17:00 –	Oslo Legal Tech Meetup: Demo and Drinks	Legal Innovation Lab Oslo