



Webinar Series in honour of
**Sally Engle
Merry**
(1944-2020)

From **11 Decembre 2020**
to **21 May 2021**
Fridays / on **Zoom**



**Allegra Lab / EASA LawNet Webinar Series in Honour of Sally Engle Merry
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This series of online talks features presentations that examine the current state of legal anthropology. These webinars are dedicated to Sally Engle Merry, Professor of Anthropology at New York University, President of the Law and Society Association, the American Ethnological Society, and the Association for Political and Legal Anthropology. Sally passed away on 8th September 2020. Her pioneering work on culture and rights, gender violence, and indicators has been highly influential on the subdiscipline and beyond. In memory of her generosity as a teacher and colleague, and in line with her innovative spirit and gentle soul, the seminars are an opportunity for young and more established scholars to engage in vigorous conversations on legal matters of critical relevance to contemporary societal debates.

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11 Decembre 2020 (2-3.30 PM CET)

M-B Dembour (Ghent University) - "Heeding anthropological mottos in the study of law". Discussant: Julie Billaud (The Graduate Institute Geneva)

15 January 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Smoki Musaraj (Ohio University) - "Doing an ethnography of corruption." Discussant: Birgit Müller (EHESS/CNRS)

29 January 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Keebet von Benda-Beckmann (Max-Planck-Institute for Social Anthropology) - "An intellectual odyssey. The case of legal pluralism." In conversation with Judith Beyer (University of Konstanz)

12 February 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Zeynel Gul (John Hopkins University) - "Sensing the translation. Language and medico-legal enactments of expertise in occupational diseases lawsuits in Turkey." Discussant: Jovana Bogićević (University of Palermo)

26 February 2021 (9-10.30 AM CET)

Pnina Werbner (Keele University) - "Legal consciousness compared. The case of Botswana." Discussant: Sophie Andreetta (Université de Liège)

12 March 2021 (9-10:30 AM CET)

Danielle Celermajer and Alexandre Lefebvre (University of Sydney) - Book launch/discussion: "The subject of human rights (SUP 2020)." Discussant: Agathe Mora (University of Sussex)

26 March 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Omri Grinberg (Hebrew University of Jerusalem and University of Haifa) - "Vernacularizing bureaucracy and quantifying violence. The writing of Palestinians' testimonies in Israeli human rights NGOs." Discussant: Sylvie Bodineau (York University)

9 April 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Sandhya I. Fuchs (LSE and University of Bern) - "Kaleidoscope of truth. Legal fictions, real cases and controversial proof in the production of the Prevention of Atrocities Act in Rajasthan. Discussant: Natasha Raheja (Cornell University)

23 April 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Lieselotte Viaene (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid) - "Indigenous water ontologies, plurilegal encounters and interlegal translation: some reflections from the field." Discussant: Andrea Ballesterio (Rice University)

30 April 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Jane Cowan (University of Sussex) - "Words, numbers, culture. Thinking with Sally Engle Merry at the Universal Periodic Review." Discussant: Julie Billaud (The Graduate Institute Geneva)

7 May 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Astrid Jamar (Open University and SOAS) and Laura Major (University of Strathclyde) - "Authoritarian vernaculars of the right to truth. Exhuming mass graves in Rwanda and Burundi." Discussant: Gerhard Anders (University of Edinburgh)

21 May 2021 (2-3.30 PM CET)

Natasha Raheja (Cornell University) - "Mediating mobility. Migration and brokerage at the borders of the state." Discussant: Elizabeth Challinor (Universidade NOVA de Lisboa)