

Call for Applications
Research Methods in Fundamental Rights
Workshop for PhD and Early Career Researchers

The Centre for Fundamental Rights at the Hertie School is pleased to announce its Second Annual Workshop on Research Methods in Fundamental Rights, taking place online from **2-4 June 2021**. The workshop is hosted by the Hertie School, as a member of CIVICA - The European University of Social Sciences.

The Workshop aims to provide doctoral and early-career legal researchers with opportunities to reflect on diverse research methods in human rights research. Successful candidates will have the opportunity to discuss these methods with renowned faculty, who will provide guidance and reflections on the methods they have applied in key pieces of their own research. Participants will also submit reflections on their own research questions and methods, and will receive individual feedback on their projects.

Workshop sessions include: The logic of case selection (Prof. Başak Çalı), Comparative law as method (Prof. Neha Jain), Dissection as a method (Prof. Marie-Bénédicte Dembour), Interviews in socio-legal human rights research (Dr. Dilek Kurban), Process tracing (Prof. Mark Dawson), Archival methods and TWAIL methodology (Prof. Mohammad (Shahab) Shahabuddin), Coding and content analysis in human rights research (Dr. Ezgi Yıldız) and Interpretivism as a normative approach (Dr. Alain Zysset).

We encourage applications from PhD and early-career legal researchers carrying out fundamental rights research employing any of the methodological approaches covered in the workshop.

Participants will receive assigned readings and video-recorded presentations by Faculty in advance of the workshop, as well as guidance on the preparation of their own workshop presentations.

Registration is free.

Date: 2 – 4 June 2021

Location: Online

Application process:

Deadline for applications: **1 March 2021**.

Please submit your application by sending an email to [fundamentalrights\[at\]hertie-school\[dot\]org](mailto:fundamentalrights@hertie-school.org) with the subject line 'Research Methods in Fundamental Rights'. Applications should include one single pdf file, containing the following information:

- A CV
- A letter of motivation
- An Outline of your research project, including your research question, research methodology and current stage of the research (2 pages)
- For PhD candidates: a letter of recommendation written by PhD supervisor

Successful applicants will receive a written confirmation of acceptance no later than **1 April 2021** and are expected to submit a draft research proposal with a dedicated methodology section as well as a recorded 15 minutes presentation by **2 May 2021**.

A detailed programme and list of readings will be made available by **3 May 2021**. Video presentations will be available for the participants 10 days prior to the workshop.