



Association for Law, Property, & Society Annual Meeting
Cardiff School of Law and Politics, Wales
May 27th – 30th, 2027

CALL FOR PAPERS
Annual Meeting on Law, Property, and Society

The Association for Law, Property & Society (ALPS) will hold its next annual meeting in-person at the Cardiff School of Law and Politics, Wales, from May 27th – 30th, 2027. The academic portion of the conference will take place on Friday, May 28th and Saturday, May 29th, with concurrent panels and plenary sessions running all day on both days. The conference dates also include an optional pre-conference Cardiff City Arcade Walking Tour (<https://www.fogosfreetours.com/cardiffarcadestour>) the afternoon of May 27th, an evening reception that day, and an optional post-conference Day Trip to Black Mountain College, Talgarth, Brecon on May 30th (<https://blackmountainscollege.uk/about/>).

ALPS is an open and welcoming international organization of scholars and teachers engaged in a wide range of interdisciplinary research covering all aspects of property law, policy, and theory, and the role property plays in social structures, human relationships, and ecology. We promote informed dialogue among diverse scholars at all stages of their careers from around the world and across disciplines.

Meeting Themes

ALPS annual meetings include participants representing numerous countries and working in common law, civil law, Indigenous laws, international law, transnational law, and mixed legal traditions. Presentation submissions on any subject related to property law and the practices that shape property norms and institutions are welcome. Possible organizing themes include, but are not limited to: land use planning, zoning, water law, environmental law, energy law, mortgages and financing, land titles, legal issues related to housing and homelessness, real estate development, the right to housing, cultural property, historic and heritage preservation, property of Indigenous peoples, comparative perspectives on property law, race and gender issues in property, intellectual property rights, property theory, and takings law. ALPS maintains, at its core, a strong commitment to international and interdisciplinary diversity, and topics reflecting that commitment are encouraged.

Submissions Guidelines and Participation Options

ALPS welcomes presentations of projects at all stages of development, from recently published works to early-stage ideas. ALPS accepts both individual paper submissions and proposals for fully formed panels (usually 3 to 4 presenters). Proposals for fully formed panels may also include alternative formats such as author-meets-reader sessions, workshops, topical discussion sessions, pedagogical sessions, or may integrate films or other multimedia outputs.

Submissions should include an abstract of no more than 250 words submitted through the ALPS Conference Proposal Submission Portal (<https://alps-law.org/submissions>). Within the Submissions Portal, applicants will also be asked to include: (1) the name of the submitting scholar, (2) the scholar's institution, (3) an email for contact, (4) a list of five keywords, and (5) where appropriate, parallel information for any coauthors. If a fully formed panel is being submitted, please submit all of the abstracts and all of the aforementioned contact information for all participants within the Submissions Portal.

The deadline for submitting papers and panels is November 30, 2026. No late submissions will be accepted.

All individuals will be notified of the acceptance of their submission by January 30, 2027. Accepted abstracts will be included in a “long program” for participants and may be made publicly available. Please indicate upon submission of your abstract if you *do not* wish to have your abstract included and would instead prefer to have your presentation only identified by the title provided.

In general, each presenter will be limited to one research paper presentation per conference, although some exceptions may be made for special discussion groups or other unique thematic panels. After reviewing and accepting submissions, ALPS will thematically group accepted papers and panels. Concurrent panels will be held on both days of the conference (May 28 and 29) with each panel session lasting approximately 90 minutes and including both individual presentations and time for questions from the audience. Each presenter will have 10 -15 minutes for their individual presentation with an additional 5-10 minutes for audience questions.

Registration

All meeting attendees must register whether or not they are presenting a paper. Conference registration will open on the conference website by late January or early February and will close on **March 31, 2027**. More information will be provided in acceptance notifications. **To ensure a place on the final conference program, all presenters must register before March 31, 2027.**

Further information about accommodations, travel planning, the field trip, welcome reception, and other events will be provided on the registration site (<https://events.cardiff.ac.uk/view/association-of-law-property-and-society-meeting-may-27th-30th-2027/>) and ALPS Annual Meeting webpage (<https://alps-law.org/annual-meeting>) as they become available. Any questions regarding the conference should be directed to conference@alps-law.org.