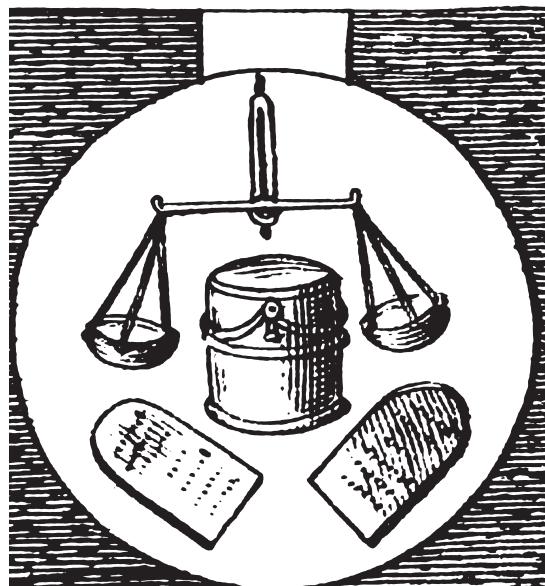


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## THURSDAY, 2 SEPTEMBER

9.00-9.30 Welcome and introductory remarks: the Baltic space  
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### SESSION 1: THE EARLY TEACHING TRADITION IN THE SWEDISH REALM

*Chair: Kari Saastamoinen*

9.30-10.15 Anna Fredriksson, Johannes Schefferus - professor of natural law at Uppsala University 1655-1677  
10.15-11.00 Meelis Friedenthal, Natural law and pietism in Tartu: Michael Dau between Thomasius and Spener  
11.00-11.30 Coffee break  
11.30-12.15 Joachim Östlund, Natural law and treaties with “barbarians” in Swedish dissertations, 1699-1716 (online presentation)  
12.15-13.00 Bo Lindberg, The reception of Pufendorf’s natural law at Swedish universities in the era of absolutism  
13.00-14.00 Lunch

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### SESSION 2: THE DIFFUSION OF IDEAS

*Chair: Adriana Luna-Fabritius*

14.00-14.45 Michael Seidler, Scattering natural law: the diasporic role of Pufendorf’s *Dissertationes*  
14.45-15.30 Kristoffer Schmidt, Natural law texts in 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century Danish private libraries  
15.30-16.00 Coffee break  
16.00-16.45 Frank Grunert & Martin Kühnel, Nordic students in Halle. Their studies and their impact

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### SESSION 3: THE EARLY USES: SOVEREIGNTY, NAVIGATION, LEGAL PRACTICE

*Chair: Knud Haakonssen*

16.45-17.15 Mikkel Munthe Jensen, The political use of natural law in the late seventeenth century: legal controversies in the joint Duchy of Schleswig-Holstein (video presentation)  
18.00 – 19.00 Pre-dinner drinks and discussion of the Network  
19.00 Dinner

## FRIDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER

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### SESSION 3 (continuation): THE EARLY USES: SOVEREIGNTY, NAVIGATION, LEGAL PRACTICE

*Chair: Knud Haakonssen*

9.00-9.45 Leos Müller & Steve Murdoch, Johann Gröning’s *Navigatio libera* and the Nordic neutrality in the Nine Years War, 1688-1697  
9.45-10.30 Tine Reeh, The use of natural law in legal practice regarding cases of incest in 18<sup>th</sup> century Denmark-Norway  
10.30-10.45 Short break

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### SESSION 4: THE EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY TEACHING TRADITIONS

*Chair: Peter Schröder*

10.45-11.30 Andreas Hellerstedt, Immanuel Proeleus’s theory of animal rights: conception and reception, ca 1709-1755  
11.30-12.00 Coffee break  
12.00-12.45 Thor Inge Rørvik, The teaching of natural law and the law of nations at the Residential College (Regensen) in Copenhagen, 1755-1758: the unfinished textbook of Johan Ernst Gunnerus (1718-1773)  
12.45-13.30 Jonas Gerlings, Natural law before Immanuel Kant: the teaching and application of natural law in mid 18th century Königsberg  
13.30-14.30 Lunch

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### SESSION 5: LATER USES: LIBERTY, RIGHTS AND COMMERCE

*Chair: Marten Seppel*

14.30-15.15 Ere Nokkala, Peter Forsskål’s natural law: justifying civil liberty in Sweden (online presentation)  
15.15-16.00 Mads Langballe Jensen, Danish uses of natural law in the “period of flourishing commerce” c. 1775-1807  
16.00-16.30 Coffee break  
16.30-17.15 Brian Kjær Olesen, Consequences of natural law: liberty, rights, and the limits of modern monarchy, 1785-1799  
17.15-18.00 Pärtel Piirimäe, Natural law and the problem of serfdom: the debates in the Baltic provinces ca 1760-1830  
18.00-18.15 Short break  
18.15-18.45 Concluding remarks  
19.30 Dinner