

#Open Call: Allegra Lab / EASALawNet webinar series in honour of Sally Engle Merry

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This series of online, public seminars features presentations that examine the current state of legal anthropology. We welcome contributions from anthropologists working on 'the law' in the broad sense of the term, including ethnographic studies of bureaucracies, national courts, international tribunals, truth commissions, human rights and other international governance processes



(to name just a few).

The seminars will be an opportunity for young and more established scholars in anthropology of law to engage in vigorous conversations on matters of critical relevance to contemporary societal debates.

We dedicate this webinar series 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, who passed away on 8 September 2020, and whose pioneering work on culture and rights, gender violence, and human rights 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, the seminars will be an opportunity for young and more established scholars in anthropology of law to engage in vigorous conversations on matters of critical relevance to contemporary societal debates.

The series will take place once to twice a month on Fridays (time tbc) from November 2020 to May 2021. Presentations should not exceed 20 minutes and will be followed by a short response by a discussant and a Q&A. All are welcome to join the webinars, which will also be live-streamed from the Allegra Lab website.

Please submit an abstract of max. 250 words to <u>submissions@allegralaboratory.net</u> by **Sunday 25 October 2020**. Note that presenters may be asked to act as discussants in another webinar session in the series.

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