

## ZMO Winter Colloquium 2024/25

### Law and Time

26 September 2024 – 27 February 2025  
Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient  
Kirchweg 33, 14129 Berlin

This winter colloquium explores the relationship between law and time at two levels. Firstly, on the conceptual and material levels, we seek to address how the arena of law and legality is constituted through either overt or very minute constituents of time and temporality. For instance, we seek to inquire how a legal regime, governing certain aspects of life such as work, migration, employment, and not least marriage and domesticity, is inherently constituted through ideas and practices of control over others' time. The second level of our engagement is justicing or 'law in practice'. What is the law's own temporality that structures various choices of people in accessing justice? We seek to understand the relationship between law and time through the practices of law which are observed both inside and outside the courtroom.

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Lectures will take place in a hybrid format.

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online registration: [www.zmo.de/veranstaltungen](http://www.zmo.de/veranstaltungen)

26 September 2024, 5 pm

**Law and Time – Some Observations from a  
Legal Historical Perspective**  
Andreas Thier, Universität Zürich

24 October 2024, 5 pm

**When is the Punishment? 'Mystical  
Retribution' and the Question of Time in  
Maasai Indigenous Law**  
Jonas Bens, Universität Hamburg

21 November 2024, 5 pm

**Judicial Power and Legal Temporalities**  
Tanzil Chowdhury, Queen Mary University of  
London

30 January 2025, 5 pm

**Darkness and the Making of the Rule of Law:  
Calcutta, 1760s-1800s**  
Nitin Sinha, Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient

27 February 2025, 5 pm

**A Time of Emergency in Colonial India,  
1914-1921**  
Renisa Mawani, University of British Columbia

