

RULE OF LAW: IN BOOKS, IN MINDS

‘CONCEPT OF THE RULE OF LAW: EMPIRICAL
AND ANALITICAL RESEARCH’
BOLOGNA, JULY 7-8, 2025

Kelsen Room, Alma-Human AI Centre, Via Galliera 3

CONCEPT OF THE RULE OF LAW: Empirical and Analytical Research.

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JULY 7, 2025

09.00 – Welcome & Introduction

09.30 – Corrado Roversi, Luisa Lugli, Andrej Kristan & Marco Brigaglia
(Bologna, Genova & Palermo)
‘On the Cognitive Cost of the Rule of Law’

10.30 – Coffee Break

11.00 – Arianna Rossi (Sant'Anna, Pisa)
‘Legal Design for the Rule of Law’

12.00 Monica Palmirani (Bologna)
‘Discussion on Legal Design and the Rule of Law’

12.30 – Leonardo Pierdominici (Bologna)
‘Can There Be a Populist Constitutionalism?’

13.30 – Lunch

15.00 – Claudio Agüero (Alberto Hurtado, Chile) & Andrej Kristan (Genova)
‘A Matter of Convention: Between the Rule of Man & the Rule of Law’

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16.00 – Victoria Kristan (Bologna)
‘Between Dissensus & Dispute: Conceptual Variations in the Rule of Law’

17.00 – Coffee/Tea Break

17.30 – Francesco Rizzi Brignoli (Bologna)
‘Democracy and the Rule of Law: Rethinking Epistemic Accessibility’

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16.00 – Silvia Zullo & Pierfrancesco Bresciani (Bologna)
‘Ethical and Constitutional Implications of Normative Regulation through Nudging’

17.00 – Coffee/Tea Break

17.30 – Giuseppe Rocchè (Palermo)
‘The Authority of Law and Indirect Theories of Decision-Making’

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09.30 – Alberto Puppo (ITAM, Mexico)
‘From the Rule of Men to the Rule of Law and Back Again’

10.30 – Coffee Break

11.00 – Natalia Scavuzzo (Autonoma Madrid) & Carolina Fernández Blanco (Girona)
‘Legal Certainty, the Private Sector, and Empirical Studies:
Some Preliminary Approaches’

12.00 – Marco Mazzone (Catania)
‘Crisis of Democracy, Rule of Law, and Participation’

13.00 – Lunch

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14.30 – Chiara Valentini (Bologna)
‘Soft Law, Justiciability, and the Rule of Law’

15.30 – Raquel Sarria (Genova)
‘Commons and the Rule of Law: Moving Beyond the Primacy of Private Property’

ROL IN MINDS Working Group 2

14.30 – Marco Segatti (Genova)
‘On the Psychological Basis of the Rule of Law: Beccaria and Beyond’

15.30 – Paolo Capriati (Palermo)
‘What Is Not the Rule Of Law?’

16.30 – Coffee Break

17.00 – **Closing Remarks and Farewell**

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