Comparative Constitutional History - Scandinavia and Europe

April 25, 2016

13.30 - 17.00

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Comparative legal history is an increasingly applied area of research. There are several research projects, where different histories of law are compared to each other, thus giving a deepened understanding of the reasons behind similarities and differences between legal solutions at different times and places.

Professor Bruno Aguilera Barchet, Madrid, has recently published A History of Western Public Law. Between Nation and State (Springer 2015), where he has provided a broad historical and comparative analysis of European and North American constitutional law.

Professor Eirik Holmøyvik, Bergen, has recently in his dissertation about the separation of powers in the Norwegian constitution of 1814 analyzed the relationship between constitutional thinking in Norway and Europe.

Scandinavian constitutional law could benefit from more historical comparative analyses, and European comparative constitutional legal research could benefit from more research in English about Scandinavia.

Bruno Aguilera Barchet and Eirik Holmøyvik have been invited to talk about their research results, and professor Dag Michalsen, Oslo, professor emeritus Hans-Heinrich Vogel, Lund, and senior professor Kjell Å Modéer, Lund, to comment on their presentations.

An aim of the seminar is to strengthen the internationalization of Nordic constitutional historical research, to discuss the state of the art in comparative constitutional history and to find new topics for comparative legal historical research on the relationship between Scandinavian and European constitutional law.

The seminar is sponsored by the Olin Foundation for Legal History.

Welcome!

Martin Sunnqvist
Programme

13.30 Welcome and introductory remarks

13.45 Bruno Aguilera Barchet:
The History of Western Public Law and the Need for More Comparative Research

c. 14.30 Pause

15.00 Eirik Holmøyvik:
The Relationship between Norway and Europe in Nineteenth Century Constitutional Law

15.45 Prepared comments:
Dag Michalsen, Hans-Heinrich Vogel and Kjell Å Modéer

Discussion

17.00 End of seminar