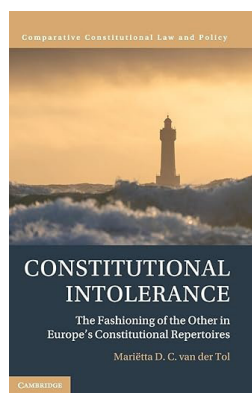




Book Talk:



Dr Marietta van der Tol **Constitutional Intolerance:** The fashioning of “the other” in Europe’s constitutional repertoires

This lecture discusses what the impact of far-right politics has been on the structures of constitutional law in Europe, specifically with reference to the protection of religious, ethnic, and sexual minorities. The lecture queries the constitutional practices and repertoires that they have engaged to express intolerance, as well as their historical antecedents, and explores how new forms of intolerance are shaped by the quality of democracy. The lecture offers examples from across the liberal-illiberal divide: France, the Netherlands, Hungary, and Poland. It highlights that vulnerability towards intolerance is inscribed in the structures of the law and is not merely inherent to either liberalism or illiberalism, as is often inferred.

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