

# Aggregate Litigation Conference

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**24-25 June 2025**

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**Venue:**

Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study (STIAS)

**Hosted by:**

Professor Theo Broodryk (SU Faculty of Law), in collaboration with Professor Robert Klonoff (Lewis & Clark Law School) and Dr Magdalena Tulibacka (Emory Law School's Center for International and Comparative Law)

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Programme Day 1: 24 June 2025   The Fundamentals		
Time	Session	Presenter(s)
09:00	Keynote moderated discussion	<b>Christopher A. Seeger</b> (Partner, Seeger Weiss LLP) and <b>Professor Bob Klonoff</b> (Lewis & Clark) Reflecting on the wide array of aggregate litigation disputes (e.g., consumer, environmental, antitrust, social media, public nuisance). Moderated by <b>Professor Theo Broodryk</b> (Stellenbosch University).
<b>Panel 1</b> <i>Global trends in aggregate litigation and in aggregate civil justice - litigation and beyond</i> Chair - Bob Klonoff		
Time	Panelists	
09:45-12:00	Prof Deborah Hensler, Stanford Law School Nikki Chamberlain, University of Auckland Law School, New Zealand Dr Magdalena Tulibacka, Emory Law School Nicholas Diamond, Lieff Cabraser Akosua Asafu-Adjaye Frimpong, Emory Danielle Morvan, Lewis & Clark	
<b>Panel 2</b> <i>The real life of aggregate litigation – what works? practitioners/businesses/consumers and their perspectives</i> Chair - Dr Magdalena Tulibacka		
Time	Panelists	
13:00-14:45	Mary Bartkus, special counsel, Hughes, Hubbard & Reed, NY Richard Spoor, Richard Spoor Inc Attorneys Prof. dr. hab. Tadeusz Zembrzuski, Chair of Civil Procedure, Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Warsaw Prof. dr. Magdalena Skibinska, Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Zielona Gora, Poland Prof Maria Jose Azar-Baud, University of Paris-Saclay Fredrik Erixon, Swedish economist, writer and the Founding Director of the European Centre for International Political Economy (ECIPE)	
<b>Panel 3</b> <i>Judges as managers? Judges as comparatists? The future of aggregate litigation</i> Chair – Prof Maria Jose Azar-Baud (Paris)		
Time	Panelists	
15:10-17:00	Judge Fabian Reuschle, Germany Judge Brooks Smith, United States Judge Patric Gamble, South Africa	
Time	Session	Presenter(s)
17:00-17:30	Moderated discussion, <i>Reflections on Aggregate Litigation in the United States</i>	A question/answer session with <b>Professor Arthur Miller</b> .

Programme		
Day 2: 25 June 2025   The promises and the challenges		
Time	Session	Presenter(s)
09:00-10:00	Keynote Presentation	<b>Prof Matthew Bergman</b> , Founder of the Social Media Victims Law Center Questions and commentary by <b>Professor Robert Klonoff</b> <i>Aggregate litigation against social media and AI platforms</i>
<b>Panel 1</b> <i>AI and aggregate litigation</i> Chair – Prof Theo Broodryk		
Time	Panelists	
10:00-11:15	Sir Geoffrey Vos, Master of the Rolls, UK Prof Pietro Ortolani, Radboud University Dr Jagna Mucha, University of Warsaw Konrad Rychter Young Scholar Winner Prof Stacie Strong, Emory	
<b>Panel 2</b> <i>Money matters</i> Chair – Dr Magdalena Tulibacka		
Time	Panelists	
11:30-13:00	Prof Xandra Kramer, Erasmus University Prof Ianika Tzankova, Tilburg University Dr Peter Cashman, Australia Nikki Chamberlain, University of Auckland Law School, New Zealand	
13:00	Closing / Group photograph	



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