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Meeting with Professor Lara Khoury  
McGill University, Montreal, Canada

25TH SEPTEMBER 2025 - 10AM TO 12PM



HYBRID SEMINAR

Università di Trento, Facoltà di Giurisprudenza  
Via Giuseppe Verdi, 53  
Sala 8

This seminar will present Professor Khoury's Canada Research Chair project and explore opportunities for collaboration. The research examines the global trend of judicializing health and environmental governance—a shift reflected in the growing reliance on courts by individuals and communities, particularly through civil liability class actions, to tackle challenges traditionally managed by public institutions. The project seeks to evaluate the social transformations driven by this trend through a transdisciplinary approach, focusing on four key areas: public health emergencies, environmental protection and climate action, systemic threats to healthcare safety, and advances in biomedical innovation.

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Lara Khoury, Ad. E., is a Full Professor of Law at McGill University and McGill's Associate Vice-President (Research). Since 2024, she holds a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Liability, Health Governance, and Social Change. She is also affiliated with McGill's Department of Equity, Ethics and Policy and co-convenes the McGill Research Group on Health and Law. Her research and teaching focus on comparative medical, public health, and environmental law, with an emphasis on liability. She holds a DPhil and BCL from Oxford and is a titular member of the International Academy of Comparative Law. She received the Barreau du Québec's Advocatus Emeritus designation and the Canadian Bar Association's John-Ramon-Hnatyshyn Prize.

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