

Fourth Annual IGRI Virtual Conference: Event Program

Day 1 – Wednesday, September 16, 2026

9:00 am Eastern Time (ET) Panel Presentation	Theorizing and Analyzing Institutions-in-Use through IG Applications: Questionnaires, Forests, and the Courts Paper: From Charging Practices to Institutional Statements: Extracting Rules-in-Use from Questionnaire Data with Institutional Grammar Authors: Julia Ponfoort, Amineh Ghorbani, Yashar Araghi, & Joyce Kooijman (Delft University of Technology) Paper: Rules-in-Use as Evidence of Institutional Fit: Diagnosing Implementation Problems in Amazonian Forest Governance Authors: Cathy Rubinos (Normandy Business School) & Isabel Guerrero Ochoa (Pontificia Universidad Catolica Del Peru) Paper: Judicial Independence and Institutional Grammar: Can Rules Be Inferred from Behavior? Authors: Massimiliano Marletta & Gianluca Cannata (University of Catania)
10:30 am ET	Break
10:45 am ET Panel Presentation	Examining Regulatory and Administrative Dynamics Using the IG: Applications to Gambling, Batteries, and Conservation Paper: Beyond the Rhetoric of Multilevel Governance Using the Institutional Grammar: The Case of Gambling Regulation in Italy Author: Matteo Bassoli (University of Padova) Paper: Classifying Battery Governance Systems: An Institutional Analysis of Global Regulatory Models Authors: Arvind Lakshmisha & Harini Nagendra (Azim Premji University) Paper: Assessing Focal Actor Discretion in Soil and Water Conservation Districts Authors: Andrew Laughter & Graham Ambrose (North Carolina State University)
12:15 pm ET	Break
12:30 pm ET Panel Presentation	Applying Policy, Administration, and Legal Theory in IG Research: Cases on Indonesia, Colombia, and Outer Space Paper: Governing Innovation through Rules, Norms, and Strategies: An Institutional Grammar Analysis of Indonesia's Public Service Innovation Competition (2014–2025) Author: M. Rizki Pratama (Universitas Brawijaya) Paper: Evaluating Complexity Along the Policy Process: Applying the Institutional Grammar to the Colombia Legislative Process Authors: Juan Sebastián Uribe-Quintero (Syracuse University), Saba Siddiki (Syracuse University), Chris Koski (Reed College), Matia Vannoni (King's College London), & Christopher Frantz (Norwegian University of Science and Technology) Paper: Ostrom's Commons Design Principles of Graduated Sanctions, Dispute Settlement, and Nested Governance: An Application to Outer Space Law Author: Gerard Conway (Brunel University of London)
2:00 pm ET	Break
2:15 pm ET Innovative Session	Coding Best Practices for Institutional Grammar: An Interactive, Hands-on Exploration Facilitator: Arezoo Mirzaei (Martin Luther University) Participants: Juan Sebastián Uribe-Quintero (Syracuse University), Alicia Tenza-Peral (University of Zaragoza), Ismael Lare David (University of Zaragoza), Carlos Alberto Prieto Valero (European University Viadrina), Shuping Wang (University of Illinois), Irene Pérez-Ibarra (University of Zaragoza)
3:00 pm ET	End of Day 1

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Day 2 – Friday, September 18, 2026

9:00 am Eastern Time (ET) Panel Presentation	Exploring Methodological Opportunities for IG Research: Reliability, Structure/Function, and Expectations Paper: Testing the Reliability of Institutional Grammar in Non-English Contexts Authors: Carlos Alberto Prieto Valero (European University Viadrina), Irene Pérez Ibarra (University of Zaragoza), Arezoo Mirzaei (Martin Luther University), Alicia Tenza-Peral (University of Zaragoza), Juan Sebastián Uribe Quintero (Syracuse University), Insa Theesfeld (Martin Luther University), & Tomás Olivier (Syracuse University) Paper: Linking Institutional Structure and Function through Institutional Grammar and a Rule Taxonomy Authors: Alicia Tenza-Peral, Ismael Lare-David, Laura X. Estévez-Moreno, F. Javier Lacosta-García, & Irene Pérez-Ibarra (University of Zaragoza) Paper: Rules-in-Expectation – Beyond Rules-in-Form and Rules-in-Use: The Role of Expectations in Shaping Institutional Behavior Authors: Amineh Ghorbani (Technical University Delft) & Christopher Frantz (Norwegian University of Science and Technology)
10:30 am ET	Break
10:45 am ET Panel Presentation	Applying Large Language Models in IG Applications: Automation and Decoupling Paper: Guided Self-Reflection in Qualitative Coding: Improving Automated Text Annotation through Secondary LLM Critique Authors: Zackary Dunivin (University of Stuttgart), Mobina Noori (University of California, Davis), Seth Frey (University of California, Davis), & Curtis Atkisson (University of Washington) Paper: From Political Threat to Technical Barrier: An IG Framework for Multidimensional Policy Polarity Author: Shiqi Tang (Georgia Institute of Technology) Paper: Enhancing Institutional Analysis through Automated IG 2.0 Coding Authors: Kaninik Baradi & Amineh Ghorbani (Technical University Delft)
12:15 pm ET	Break
12:30 pm ET Panel Presentation	Studying Water Governance Using the IG: Configurational Coherence, Historical Applications, and Prescribed Coordination Paper: Configurational Coherence of Rules-in-Use: Cases of Intermunicipal Lake-Basin Governance in Chile Authors: Karina Arias Yurisch (Universidad Católica de Chile), Karina Retamal Soto (Universidad de Chile), & Camila Ramos Fuenzalida (University of Birmingham) Paper: How Institutional Grammar Has Been Applied in Water Governance Research Authors: Arezoo Mirzaei & Insa Theesfeld (Martin Luther University) Paper: Institutional Design and Network Motifs in Water Pollution Governance: Prescribed Coordination across Point- and Non-Point-Source Problems Authors: Karina Retamal (Universidad de Chile), Karina Arias (Universidad Católica de Chile), & Tomás Olivier (Syracuse University)
2:00 pm ET	Break
2:15 pm ET Innovative Session	Measuring Complexity and Discretion With the IG: Applying Complexity and Institutional State Regimentation Metrics Facilitator: Juan Sebastián Uribe Quintero (Syracuse University)
3:00 pm ET	End of Day 2