

GUEST LECTURE



Associate Professor Sonja van Wichelen from the University of Sydney will give a lecture on **“Biolegality in the Age of Globalisation”** on:

- 9 October 2019 at 1.30 pm at IALF Jakarta
- 11 October 2019 at 2.00 pm at IALF Denpasar

Graduates of Australian tertiary institutions from Indonesia, who are interested in attending this event, please RSVP by **8 October 2019** to this link:

- Registration [link](#) for the guest lecture in Jakarta
- Registration [link](#) for the guest lecture in Denpasar

** Due to the limited availability of seats, early registration is recommended.*

Overview

Biotechnology and their attendant economies are transforming how we view and experience the world. It is also testing our legal forms across local, national and international law. Gene editing, genetic privacy, the regulation of genetically and living modified organisms, reproductive technologies, neur/o-interventions, patents and intellectual property, and transgenic animals, represent an endless list of concerns in the domain of law and biology. Rather than leaving these discussions to the realm of scientists, legal experts, or bioethicists, Associate Professor Sonja van Wichelen will focus on the importance of publics in negotiating the boundaries of biotechnology in an increasingly interconnected world. She will demonstrate through an analysis of past events how demands for justice are vital to realise a responsible and sustainable biofuture. These are not ideas brought about by experts, but by a disparate coming together of institutional practices, (trans)national imaginaries, and communal (be)longings. Southeast Asian societies have a vested interest in this debate and are key to shaping global regulatory frameworks.

Wednesday
9 October 2019
1.30 pm – 3.30 pm

IALF Auditorium,
Jakarta
Plaza Kuningan 3rd
Floor, Menara Selatan
Jl. HR. Rasuna Said Kav
C 11-14
Karet Setiabudi
Jakarta 12940

Friday
11 October 2019
2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

IALF Auditorium,
Denpasar
Jl. Raya Sesetan 190
Denpasar 80223



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