What is the « V.I.P. »?



« Versailles Saint-Quentin Institutions Publiques (V.I.P.) »

is a research centre composed of approximately 80 members.

Born in February 2008, it originated in the former centre of research "Droit de la ville et des politiques urbaines" (DVPU – « *Urban Law & Development policies* ») created in 2003.

DOCUMENTATION CENTRE AND WEBSITE

The V.I.P. Centre contributes to the financing of a law library, opened to the Centre Members, to Master and Doctoral Students, and to every scholar justifying his needs to the Director of the Centre. The website (<u>www.vip.uvsq.fr</u>) serves as a communication tool for the Centre and its Members' news.

PARTNERSHIPS

- Partnership with the « Michel Villey Institute » (Panthéon-Assas Law School), supported by the **National Agency for Research** ;
- Public Interest Grouping « Researches in Law & Justice »
- Council of Europe ;
- Administrative Tribunal and Administrative Court of Appeal of Versailles ;

PLURIDISCIPLINARITY AND TRANSDISCIPLINARITY

The V.I.P. Centre is conceived as a multidisciplinary team. It focuses on public institutions studied from public law, political science, sociology and history of law perspectives.

MAIN FIGURES

- Centre created in 2008
- 15 Professors
- 2 Associate Professors
- 12 Senior Lecturers
- 3 Lecturers
- 34 Doctoral Students, 5 of them with financial support
- 26 Associate researchers
- 1 documentation centre
- Numerous individual and collective books
- 2 scientific reviews
- 4 masters programs

RESEARCH TEAMS

- Team 1: Theoretical and territorial boundaries
- 1.1. Public contracts, Urban Law & Development Policies
- 1.2. Political Law

Team 2: Interactions between legal systems

- 2.1. Public litigations and systems interactions
- 2.2. Interlocking influences of Fundamental Rights

Team 3: Professions and communication

- 3.1. Communication policies
- 3.2. Professional groups dynamics

RECENT SCIENTIFIC EVENTS AND PUBLICATIONS

- *The end of law,* symposium convened by T. Fleury Graff, N. Wolff, A. Zaradny (December 2013).
- *European Union law and case-law against terrorism*, under the direction of E. Saulnier-Cassia: research report (25 contributors) for the Public Interest Grouping « Law and Justice », to be published in 2014 (Lextenso Editions).
- *Public Law and Nuclear issues*: symposium convened by O. Guézou and S. Manson (May 2013), published by Bruylant Editions.
- **Professions in law and society, in France and Russia**, symposium convened by Ch. Gadéa and I. Popova, UVSQ (December 2012).
- The State as a city planner: from Versailles to the « grand Paris » symposium convened by the GRIDAUH Research Centre, under the direction of J.P. Lebreton, Versailles, (September 2012), published in the Cahiers du GRIDAUH.
- The Mediator case: the ambiguous role played by the medical press, conference under the direction of J.P. Markus and C. Xémard (partnership with the DANTE Research centre, April 2012).
- Communication and journalism: new boundaries, new interdependence?, symposium convened by N. Kaciaf, UVSQ, (january 2012).
- *Inquiries about our responsibility towards future generations,* symposium convened by J-P. Markus and Poitiers' Institute for Public Law (march 2011), published by Dalloz Editions (2011).
- *Public law and Disability*, symposium convened by O. Guézou and S. Manson, French Sénat, (march 2010), published by Dalloz Editions.
- The unity of alien rights' regime and the principle of equal treatment, symposium convened by E. Saulnier-Cassia and V. Tchen, Versailles School for Lawyers (January 2009), published by Dalloz Editions in 2009.

2 SCIENTIFIC REVIEWS

- Communication policies, new review directed by S. Olivesi (1st issue: October 2013).
- *Jus Politicum*, in partnership with the Villey Institute (Panthéon-Assas Law School), published in both digital and printed format.

DOCTORAL SEMINARS

Theoretical doctoral seminars held by scholar from the V.I.P. Centre of from other universities are organized every months to the attention of the young researchers of the Centre (e.g.: « Carré de Malberg and constitutional fetichism »; « Bodin's theory of sovereignty »; « Bentham and the codifying reason » ; « Hegel's theory of recognition »). In addition, doctoral students are also invited to attend to seminars devoted to the presentation and discussion of their works.

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