

International Journal of Refugee Law



Refugee Studies Centre and *International Journal of Refugee Law*: Workshop for Prospective Authors

The [*International Journal of Refugee Law*](#) is the leading peer-reviewed journal on all aspects of international law relating to forced migration.

This online workshop, co-hosted with the [Refugee Studies Centre](#), will enable those engaged in scholarly research in the field of refugee law to receive feedback on it from members of the journal's Editorial Board in a collaborative and supportive environment. Our aim is to support prospective authors develop and improve their work, with a view to its submission to the *IJRL*.

The workshop will take place on 1st December 2025 between 2-4pm UK time. It will be hosted on zoom.

To Participate

Submit a brief covering letter and draft paper to rsc-outreach@qeh.ox.ac.uk.

The covering letter should include your name, details of your institutional or other affiliation, and an abstract of your paper.

The draft paper should be at least 5,000 words and conform to *IJRL*'s [Instructions to Authors](#). Papers can address any topic in the field of refugee studies / forced migration, but authors must engage significantly with international law. Information for new authors considering submitting to the *IJRL* is available [here](#), while wider author support is available on the Oxford University Press [Author Resource Centre](#).

The RSC and *IJRL* particularly welcome submissions from scholars based in and/or writing about regions under-represented in the Journal's coverage and from those with lived experience of displacement.

The deadline for submissions of the covering letter and draft paper is Friday 12th September @12noon.

Next Steps

All submissions will be read by the organisers who will select between 6-8 papers for further engagement.

Authors of papers selected for the workshop will be notified of this decision by the end of September 2025. Authors will then have until mid-November to complete and submit their draft article.

Workshop Ethos

Workshop discussions will be open and collegiate, their sole purpose being to assist the person sharing work to develop and improve it.

Those sharing work are encouraged to welcome comments and criticisms, and to respond in ways that maximise the feedback they receive. Those commenting are encouraged to provide constructive feedback and make comments for the benefit of the author.

The workshop will be chaired by Catherine Briddick, Andrew W Mellon Associate Professor of International Human Rights and Refugee Law. Members of the [Editorial Board](#) providing feedback to workshop participants include Dr Madeline Garlick, Professor Geoff Gilbert, Professor Guy S Goodwin-Gill and Associate Professor Janna Wessels.

If you have any questions or queries, email catherine.briddick@qeh.ox.ac.uk.

This workshop will be followed by a second, co-hosted by the [Center for Migration and Refugee Law](#), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and chaired by Associate Professor Janna Wessels.