The purpose of this conference is to look at international procedural rules as sources of international law, that is through the processes for their creation, the methods for their interpretation, and the ways in which their modification and enforcement are ensured.

The main assumption is that international procedural rules reflect a special balance between the need for change and adaptation to the special interests of the parties and the need to ensure stability of international dispute settlement. Thus, these rules are characterised by particular processes, actors, instruments and to a certain extent they differ from “ordinary” international law rules.

The conference is divided into five sessions. Four of them are devoted to different courts and tribunals: the International Court of Justice, the ITLOS, WTO dispute settlement organs, and investment arbitration. The discussion will focus first on the normative aspects of the formation, application, and modification of the procedural rules applicable before each one of these international dispute settlement organs. The last session concentrates on cross-cutting issues in order to critically assess the existence of common principles or trends in the formation, interpretation and application of procedural international law rules.

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Sala Lauree
3 May 2019
9.30 a.m.
Welcome Address
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Introduction
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Morning Session
Chair – Giorgio Gaja
International Court of Justice

International Court of Justice
Paolo Palchetti
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Pierre d’Argent
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11.00 a.m.
Coffee Break

11.30 a.m.
International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
Niki Aloupi
Université Paris 2 – Panthéon-Assas
Tullio Treves
Università di Milano

12.30 p.m.
Light Lunch

2.00 p.m.
Afternoon Session
Chair – Antonello Tancredi
Université de Nice Sophia-Antipolis

WTO Dispute Settlement System
Giovanna Adinolfi
Università di Milano
Makane Moïse Mbengue
Université de Genève

3.00 p.m.
Investment Arbitration
Hervé Ascensio
Université Paris 1 – Panthéon-Sorbonne
Eric de Brabandere
University of Leiden

4.00 p.m.
Coffee Break

4.30 p.m.
Roundtable
Mando Rachovitsa
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General discussion

Conclusion
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