

ZERP Colloquium

“The Fragmentation of Law”

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Topic: The presentation is based on the recently published book “The Fragmentation of Law: Contemporary Legal Sociology” (in Portuguese), which offers an introduction to the work of Gunther Teubner, drawing in particular on the theoretical contributions of Max Weber, Niklas Luhmann, and Jürgen Habermas. The analysis focuses on three main stages of Teubner’s work: reflexive law, legal pluralism, and societal constitutionalism, addressing key transformations of modern law, including changes in legal rationality during and in the aftermath of the welfare state, the decentralization of legal production, the emergence of legal orders beyond the state, and the progressive decoupling of state and constitution.

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