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Panel/Roundtable: Transitional Justice, State Crime and Qualitative Methods

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We are seeking contributions to take part in this roundtable/panel in the forthcoming ESC Conference. This panel is inspired by the fact that empirical work in the field of transitional justice and state crime criminology has been quite limited compared to the doctrinal legal and theoretical political science publications of the last two decades.

To fill this gap, the panel proposes to deal with the broad scope of methodological challenges faced by researchers in the transitional justice field. This might include, among many other topics, methodological debates, use of qualitative (interpretive) methods, case study selection, coding software, coding choices, format of interviews, fieldwork and interdisciplinary dialogues.

We welcome presentations on previously developed research dealing with methodological challenges as well as works in progress and exploratory questions on methodological issues that can be presented in an **informal manner to open up the discussion**. The goal is to have an open forum to discuss doubts, concerns and ideas to strengthen our research.