ASIL-Midwest is co-sponsoring its eighth annual scholarly works-in-progress conference which will be hosted virtually by the University of Akron School of Law on Friday, January 28, 2022. The goal is to create a friendly, open conversation about works in progress and to foster a Midwestern US international law community. To that end, the conference will include both full drafts and early works in progress. In light of the current pandemic, the conference will be completely virtual.

Those interested in presenting at the conference should send a 500-word abstract to ASIL-Midwest Co-Chair Vera Korzun (vkorzun@uakron.edu) by Friday, December 3, 2021. Please include a sentence about the expected stage the paper will be in at the time of the conference (e.g., reasonably complete draft, early work in progress, etc.). Papers may address any international law topics, and this Call for Submissions is open to everyone in the international legal community. Preference will be given to ASIL members who are also members of the ASIL-Midwest Interest Group. Paper presenters will be asked to circulate their drafts (or a summary of the project if it is in an early stage) to workshop attendees no later than Friday, January 7, 2022.

Each presenter will be expected to comment on another paper. Commentators will be asked to prepare five to ten minutes of comments on their assigned paper that will serve to begin the discussion. The participants will be told which paper they will be commenting on at least one week in advance of the conference. We will try to match commentators with papers that match their field of study. Further details about how the virtual conference will be held will be distributed closer to the date of the conference.

For any questions about papers and presentations, as well as conference logistics, please email ASIL-Midwest Interest Group Co-Chair Vera Korzun (vkorzun@uakron.edu).