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### New Developments in International Protection Outside the Scope of the Refugees Convention

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corner Fellows and East Roads, ANU

Professor Piotrowicz is Professor of Law at the University of Wales, Aberystwyth and formerly Dean of Law at the University of Tasmania. He is a consultant to various bodies on refugee law and people trafficking, including the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the European Commission.

Modern international refugee law has its provenance in Geneva. The 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees was adopted there and the Office of the UNHCR is located there. But for all the initiatives coming out of Geneva, including recently the Global Consultations, Agenda for Protection and Convention Plus, contemporary refugee law, at least in Europe, is as much Brussels-driven as Geneva driven. But there are ramifications for States worldwide

In this seminar, he will identify some important recent developments in refugee law which have their provenance not in initiatives deriving from the UNHCR but rather from the EU.

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