



# Boundary or Pandemic Control? Exploring the Use of Subnational Border Restrictions and Closures During COVID19 in Federal Systems

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This webinar will explore the use (or, non-use) of subnational border restrictions and closures to control the spread of COVID19 in federal systems. Expert panelists from Australia, Canada, the USA, Italy, Argentina, and Brazil will discuss the legal considerations and potential political motives of using subnational borders as a mechanism of pandemic control.

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### Chaired and moderated by:

Dr Tracy Beck Fenwick, Director of the Australian Centre for Federalism, School of Politics & International Relations, ANU.

### Expert Panel Speakers

- Laureate Professor Cheryl Saunders AO, University of Melbourne Law School, Australia.
- Professor Johanne Poirier, Peter MacKell Chair in Federalism, McGill Faculty of Law, Canada.
- Professor Daniel Beland, James McGill Professor, Director of McGill Institute for the Study of Canada.
- Professor John Kincaid, Professor of Government and Public Service, Lafayette College, Pennsylvania, USA.
- Associate Professor Andre Borges, Institute of Political Science, University of Brasília, Brazil.
- Professor Lucas Gonzalez, CONICET, University of San Martin, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Dr Elisabeth Alber, Institute for Comparative Federalism, EURAC, Bolzano, Italy.